

# William "Buzz" Harris

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## SUMMARY OF QUALIFICATIONS

- Strategic Planning and Partnerships
- Mediator and Solutions Finder
- Strong Communication Skills
- 25 Years Business Management and Public Relations
- Loyal Team Player
- Gregarious
- Highly Organized
- Creative and Innovative

## PROFESSIONAL BACKGROUND

### ***MANAGING PARTNER***

WBH NV ENT LLC- Reno, NV 2011- Present

- Managing coalition development and public outreach for public and private organizations
- Experienced Mediator for Local, County and State entities
- Producing and executing transportation plans
- Interfacing with business associations and community leaders

### ***ASSISTANT EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR***

Nevada Chapter, Associated General Contractors-Reno, NV 2005-2011

- Managed and fundraised for several coalitions and committees to promote grassroots activism
- Coordinated multiple special events
- Represented over 300 member companies in various business matters
- Interfaced with community leaders and government officials to create strong relationships
- Administered multiple budgets and negotiations with trade organizations

### ***LEAD ADVANCE***

Office of the Vice President of the United States- Volunteer 2001-2008

- Engineered town hall meetings, stadium rallies and round table meetings
- Managed volunteers and media relations

### ***DIRECTOR OF APPOINTMENTS / LEGISLATIVE LIAISON***

Office of the Governor, Nevada- Carson City, NV 2000-2002

- Streamlined Governor's appointment process for over 200 Boards and Commissions
- Attended and conducted events on behalf of the Governor's office
- Interfaced with constituents and legislators concerning legislation and budgetary items

### ***VICE PRESIDENT***

American Strategies, Inc.- Reno, NV 1997-2000/2003-2005

- Managed government relations activities and strategies for clients
- Organized and managed multiple large special fundraisers and client visibility events

## EDUCATION

- B.A. Political Science University of Nevada