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### **Summary of Qualifications**

- 32 years of civil engineering, construction management, and leadership experience
- Extensive knowledge in public sector project delivery and construction best practices
- Unique skills involving team building, collaborative Partnering, and dispute resolution

### **Current Experience – Consulting**

**Owner – Mark Leja Consulting**

**Established 7/13/2015**

**Principal – Global Leadership Alliance (GLA Corporation)**

**8/2015 to present**

- Assist public agencies with their project delivery and construction programs
- Provide executive and project level Partnering facilitation and dispute resolution
- Serve on advisory boards and committees
- Speaker and expert panel member at industry conferences

### **Previous Experience – Caltrans Executive, Engineering Manager, and Civil Engineer**

**Chief, Division of Construction – Caltrans Headquarters**

**7/2007 to 12/2014**

- Envisioned and implemented strategic direction for the statewide Construction Program
- Set Program goals, objectives, and measured performance
- Established and maintained statewide construction contract administration policies
- Ensured completion of over 4,300 projects, valued at more than \$23 billion dollars
- Served as primary Caltrans liaison with the California construction industry
- Reinvigorated Partnering on construction projects in collaboration with industry
- Administered the statewide construction claim and dispute resolution process
- Represented Caltrans on the AASHTO Subcommittee on Construction
- Contributed to comprehensive updates to the Caltrans Standard Specifications
- Created a streamlined insurance pre-approval and monitoring process

**Chief, Division of Design – Caltrans Headquarters**

**10/2003 to 7/2007**

- Envisioned and implemented strategic direction for the statewide Design Program
- Set Program goals, objectives, and measured performance
- Established and maintained statewide design policies, standards, and practices
- Issued numerous new and updated Design Information Bulletins
- Led efforts to evaluate innovative procurement methods such as Design Build
- Published a new edition of the Caltrans Highway Design Manual
- Represented Caltrans on the AASHTO Subcommittee on Design

**District 10 Director – Caltrans****9/1997 to 10/2003**

- Provided leadership and direction to plan, operate, maintain and improve the transportation system within eight counties located in central California
- Managed a complex and diverse organization of more than 500 employees with an annual payroll and operating budget of nearly \$80 million
- Delivered a capital improvement program of 120 major projects valued near \$1 billion

**Traffic Operations Manager District 3 – Caltrans****7/1996 to 9/1997**

- Managed state highway operations in the eleven counties of District 3
- Provided leadership to a staff of over 100 located throughout northern California

**Chief, Office of Roadway Maintenance – Caltrans Headquarters****1/1994 to 7/1996**

- Program advisor and decision maker for the statewide Roadway Rehabilitation Program
- Collected and analyzed highway condition data for the Pavement Management System
- Established statewide policy and allocated resources for the Major Maintenance Program
- Responded to the 1994 Northridge earthquake and the numerous other disasters that occurred in California in the mid-1990s and secured Federal funding for repairs

**Project Manager and Civil Engineer District 11 – Caltrans****3/1984 to 1/1994**

- Project Manager for 32 projects with responsibility for the delivery of high quality transportation improvements on time and within budget
- Design Project Engineer and Construction Field Engineer on numerous projects

**Boards and Committees**

- American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials (AASHTO)
  - Subcommittee on Construction, chair Environmental/ Human Resources 2010–2014
  - Subcommittee on Design, member Design Build Task Force, 2004–2006
- International Partnering Institute (IPI)
  - IPI Board of Advisors, founding member, 2008–2015
  - IPI Horizontal construction committee, co-chair, 2010–2015
- Caltrans Construction Partnering Steering Committee, chair, 2007–2014
- California High Speed Rail Peer Review Group, member, 2015

**Education /License**

California Professional Civil Engineer, # 42460, current through 3/31/2018

Bachelor of Science, Civil Engineering from San Diego State University, 1983

**Leadership/Management Training**

Caltrans Leadership Training Program for Executives

Project Management for Executives

Sponsoring High Performance Teams

Dispute Resolution Board Foundation certification

**Awards**

2015 Golden Beaver Award for Engineering