

Executive Search
Nonprofit Leadership
& Board Performance

EXPERTS IN NONPROFIT LEADERSHIP SEARCH



WHAT DISTINGUISHES DCM

The distinction between us and other search firms is that we are experts in nonprofit CEO and other nonprofit leadership C-Suite searches. What also differentiates DCM from any other competitor is that all of our search consultants have been either CEO's, Board Chairs, Philanthropy Executives or Educators. We have been in your shoes!

DCM specializes in executive search projects representing a wide variety of nonprofit sectors, including business and professional trade associations, human service organizations, healthcare, community building, faith-based and social impact organizations. We have a well-established search process that is intended to exceed expectations with highly qualified candidates and a smooth onboarding experience.

DCM also provides a wide range of board and leadership performance coaching including organizational and strategic assessments, retreat facilitation, online board and leadership courses, workshops and other educational tools and leadership succession planning for the entire organization.

DCM has a five-stage process for conducting each client's executive search needs

- 1. Analyze the strategic challenges and the role that the new position will need to play in addressing them. We work very closely with boards to identify the skills and experience needed for the position and develop a comprehensive customized position and candidate profile for each client's approval.
- 2. Conduct a targeted search into organizations and sectors to identify individuals with the relevant skill sets, competencies and qualifications required by each client. Develop a list of qualified prospects for consideration.
- 3. Approach potential candidates to test their interest in the new position, communicate the strengths of the client organization and persuade strong candidates to consider the new opportunity.
- 4. Present the most qualified candidates after conducting in-depth interviews, reference checks, personality assessments and evaluations that best match the position profile developed in stage one.
- 5. Complete the search and provide onboarding support during the initial phase of the candidate's tenure.

STRATEGIC PARTNERSHIPS



DCM is a proud member of the **Association of Executive Search and Leadership Consultants**. AESC has set the quality standard for the executive search and leadership consulting profession. Its members are the leaders in executive talent and leadership advisory solutions. AESC and its members share a deep commitment to the highest quality standards in executive search and leadership consulting—for the benefit of clients, candidates and the profession.



DCM is also proud to be a member of the **Network of Nonprofit**Search Consultants – NNSC, a professional organization comprised of some of the leading nonprofit search consultants in the United States and Canada.

DCM CLIENT SEARCH TESTIMONIALS

We hired Dennis Miller and his team to help us replace our longtime, beloved President/CEO. He helped us include a wide range of stakeholders in the process including representatives from Girl Scouts USA, members of our board and members of the staff. Dennis helped every step of the way and was extremely responsive to all our questions and took the time to continually check in as we interviewed multiple candidates. Because of his constant communication, I felt that he truly understood what we needed as an organization, and he gave excellent advice as we worked to close the search and ultimately hire a dynamic and visionary President/ CEO to lead us into the future.

Shanna Jafri, 1st Vice Chair and Search Committee Chair Girl Scouts of NNJ Dennis C. Miller and his team conducted a far-reaching national search for our new President & CEO communicating effectively throughout the process and bringing to us very well qualified candidates for our interviews. We are thrilled to welcome Bill Schuldt as our new leader who has a passion and demonstrated commitment to enriching the lives of people with disabilities. Dennis' team exceeded our expectations in managing the process within a tight time frame. I've been intimately involved in more than a half dozen searches and this was the best search I've experienced.

Carl Augusto, Chair, Board of Trustees Vision Loss Alliance The DCM team managed our search to replace our long standing, highly respected CEO. The DCM team understood our unique priorities for culture preservation, management style, and mission passion. We received valuable direction to ensure our search committee understood and owned our selection. We were delighted with our options and our final choice. Thanks so much Dennis!

Kaj Karch, Board President Lifepath

I've had the pleasure of working with DCM Associates over the last year to shape Vista Care's C-suite leadership team. DCM interviewed key members of Vista Care to fully understand our culture and then conducted a national search to find the ideal candidates. They successfully recruited our new CEO and previously conducted a search for our new COO. DCM's team of professionals added tremendous value and insight throughout the process. They were all vested in the outcome and true partners. Working with DCM has built the foundation to qualitatively expand Vista Care's mission.

Timothy A. Frey, President & Founder Vista Care

The DCM team was exactly what we needed to fulfill a newly created executive position in the mental health field at Mary's Path. DCM went the extra mile to find us our new Lead Clinician within the very specialized field of foster care for pregnant and parenting teens. They guided me every step of the way defining the search and customizing the search for our needs. I am very pleased with our new Head of Services/Lead Clinician.

Jill Dominguez, Executive Director and President Mary's Path, Orange County California

I could not be more pleased with the extraordinary efforts of Dennis Miller and his team. His ability to listen, collaborate and give insightful advice was invaluable in our search for a new CEO for the Chamber. If you are looking for a firm with the expertise, experience and contacts to ensure your executive search is successful, then DCM Associates is the firm to call.

Brenda Ross-Dulan, Chairman of the Board Princeton Mercer Regional Chamber

We believe selecting the organization's leader is one of the most critical challenges a Board of Trustee can undertake. For many reasons, we knew it was best to engage a specialist to assist us. Working with Dennis and his team was a valuable experience for us. His team provided the experience and processed approach to help us achieve our goals. They provided the experience and reach that we needed to ensure we identified the right person to replace our retiring CEO. Our search committee was very impressed with the depth and diversity of candidates we met through the process. After meeting with Dennis's top tier of candidates, we knew that Kiran Gaudioso, our Chief Operating Officer, was the right person to lead United Way and build on the strong foundation established by John Franklin. Dennis was readily available throughout the process providing valuable insights and tremendous support during our search process. We highly recommend them.

Cindy Chiarella and Tim Greiner, Search Committee Co-Chairs United Way of NNJ

Dennis and Michele provided outstanding service to our Search Committee during this process. Not only did they furnish us with a list of very qualified candidates from whom Meghan emerged as the selection to be the Chamber's new President, they also offered wise and helpful counsel as to the process to follow, and they were in constant communication as to our needs. It was a pleasure to work with them.

Edward W. Ahart, Chairman, President Search Committee Morris County Chamber of Commerce

I have had the pleasure to work with Dennis Miller over several months to not only replace the Chief Executive Officer but to resolve several internal board and C-level management issues. Dennis worked with me, our management staff, and our Board of Trustees to ensure that the final outcome achieved the goals of each. Replacing a founding director is not easy for any of the players involved and yet Dennis and his staff had the compassion, knowledge and determination to leave AHA with a quality replacement and an equally satisfied partnership among all the players. AHA could not have achieved the same outcome on our own and we are grateful Dennis provided us the leadership, direction and expertise to achieve our personal and collective goals.

Donna M. Blaze, Chief Executive Officer Jeff Price, President, Board of Directors Affordable Housing Alliance

I would like to thank Dennis Miller and his team for conducting the search to find our first Sound Start Foundation Executive Director. Dennis and his team listened to our wants and needs, analyzed our current structure and found us a perfect match. Sara Huisking brings invaluable experience in fundraising and non-profit management as well as an incredible passion for children's services that will help position us to fulfill our ambition to grow and expand. Our Board is confident that Sound Start Foundation will be well positioned under her guidance for years to come.

Jessica Griffin, Board President Sound Start Foundation

Dennis served as a true partner during our recent CEO search, providing the guidance and direction we needed to select a candidate with the knowledge, passion, and drive to lead our agency into the future. His practical insights into not-for-profit management and his open and honest communication kept us on track and energized. As a result, the CEO search became a great learning experience for our entire Board, giving us new tools for success.

Christine LaRocca, Chair, Board of Trustees Spectrum for Living

Our board took finding the right CEO for Holly Hill very seriously. From the beginning, Dennis was always immediately responsive to my phone calls and emails, no matter the time of day. Our initial interview included at least four team members who had done their homework on Holly Hill. After hiring DCM, we worked primarily with Greg Nielsen, who always displayed the same responsiveness. DCM spent a lot of time and energy interviewing the board members and the agency to ensure they knew what candidate the right fit for Holly Hill was. DCM thoroughly vetted the candidates, and I was extremely impressed with the number of qualified candidates DCM presented to us for interviews - clearly, they were able to pull from a large group of candidates through both public and personal connections. Greg and the team were able to guide us through the interview and hiring process until we got to the very end. I believe that if it weren't for DCM, we would not have connected with the candidate we ultimately ended up hiring as CEO.

Erin Wilkins, Esq., Board Chair Holly Hill Child & Family Solutions, Kentucky

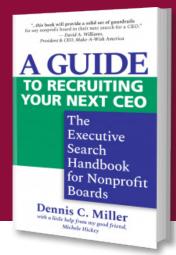


Dennis C. Miller, Founder and Chairman of DCM Associates, Inc., is a nationally recognized executive search consultant, board & nonprofit leadership performance coach with more than thirty-five years of experience working with nonprofit board leadership and chief executives across the

country. Dennis is also an expert in board governance, leadership development, philanthropy, and succession planning. In addition, Dennis is a successful author including his most recent book, A Guide to Recruiting Your Next CEO: The Executive Search Handbook for Nonprofit Boards. Dennis' experience working

Next CEO: The Executive Search Handbook for Nonprofit Boards. Dennis' experience working with hundreds of nonprofit organizations has provided him with the knowledge and insights to understand the competencies required of today's nonprofit leadership.

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I have worked with Dennis on several projects for MAWNJ over the last 10 years. We keep returning to him because, at the end of the day, Dennis delivers. He brings to the table many years of practical experience as a CEO, president of healthcare foundation, board chair and nonprofit leadership coach. Most recently, we contracted with Dennis and Michele Hickey to assist in recruiting a senior leader for a new and pivotal position. I am confident that because of his efforts, not to mention his tremendous instinct, we saw far more capable candidates than if we had done the search ourselves. We've used other search firms in the past, but never did we see a pool so competitive as what Dennis provided to us. We will be utilizing his offerings again sometime down the road. I am quite certain of it.

Thomas P. Weatherall, President & CEO Make-A-Wish® New Jersey I would like to thank DCM Associates for successfully conducting our search for our new dynamic Chief Development Officer, Dan Barnett, who brings significant fund development experience to Students 2 Science, a model program with a mission to encourage students to pursue careers in STEM. Dennis and his team's professionalism and responsiveness exceeded our expectations, and we are thrilled to have David on board. David also appreciated the DCM team's professionalism. "I have had several experiences with executive search firms in my career and found DCM to be the best.

Paul Winslow, President Students 2 Science

Dennis Miller was invaluable in assisting our Board in the difficult job of transitioning from our founding executive director to her successor. His insights and knowledge helped us make the perfect choice and enabled a smooth transition for the staff, the new ED, and the Board.

Bob Michaels, Chairman of the Board of Trustees The Housing Partnership



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Shanna Jafri - First Vice Chair of the Girl Scouts of Northern New Jersey has to say about us.



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