LINDA STILLER

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VP of Employee and Labor Relations

Engagement / Contract Management / Dispute Resolutions / Employee Relations / Human Resources
Team Leadership / Labor Relations / Crises Management / Performance Metrics / Union Avoidance
Policy Development & Implementation / C-Level Decision Support / Leadership Development / Compliance

Human Resources Executive known for driving key strategies that deliver business results in all phases of the organizational lifecycle. Solutions-oriented leader with mastery in performance management, employee and labor relations, preventive strategies, and global company initiatives. Can immediately contribute by:

- Collaborating with business leaders to develop proactive and positive employee and labor relations strategies.
- Managing complex and confidential projects/cases to ensure favorable results with minimal risk.
- Engaging clearly and consistently with all levels of leaders, associates, and labor organizations.
- Creating tools and systems to help leaders better manage performance and provide valuable feedback.

Education: BA – Industrial Psychology, George Mason University. **Awards:** Outstanding HR Achievement of the Year Award; HR Leadership Award—Transformation and Change Management; Annual Make Magic Award – Customer Engagement; Annual Make Magic Award - HR Leadership; Impact Award – Relief Efforts (Awarded for leadership and teamwork during Hurricanes Harvey and Maria).

SELECTED ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Cut associate claims by 86%. Analyzed claims and trends of 16 stores with highest number. Coached leaders and trained staff in better decision-making processes and accountability, reducing legal expenses and payouts by 50%.

Prevented over 20 unionizing attempts in nine years. Faced with ongoing labor union campaigns, created national FIX IT program that educated and empowered leaders to act immediately to address associate concerns.

Won 100% of Pro Se cases, saved \$200K in fees. Worked with legal counsel and represented company in conducting 12 arbitrations within three years. Resolved most cases through mediation; two awarded in favor of the company.

Reduced poorly engaged locations by 52% in three years. Built relationships with leaders, collaborating on communication tools and solutions to improve culture. Resulted in the greatest improvement in the company.

Enhanced Internal Resolution Program, resolved 91% of claims. Three-year trend of increasing escalated claims required root cause analyses and retraining managers on performance management and effective resolution skills.

Launched 28 new or acquired stores. During a period of rapid company growth, tasked with onboarding all HRBP's. Conducted training on HR systems and policies and ensured successful transition of all HR functions and compliance.

CAREER EXPERIENCE

VP of Employee and Labor Relations, Macy's, 2009 to 2018. Responsible for ensuring positive associate relations to achieve core business goals for over 200 locations. Coached HRBPs and key stakeholders on discipline decision-making, legal compliance of state and federal laws, performance management, and leadership development. Held budgets up to \$250K. Corporate RIF.

Demonstrated career progression at Macy's: Regional VP of Human Resources and Regional Director of Employee and Labor Relations.

Manager of Associate and Labor Relations, Hecht's Department Stores, 2002 to 2006. Led all labor and employee relations matters and activities within the terms of the Collective Bargaining Agreement for 10 locations. Partnered with service area HR leaders to successfully implement system-wide initiatives and other assignments.

Demonstrated career progression at Hecht's: Manager of HR Administration and Productivity; Sr. Manager of Staffing; Manager of Central Staffing; Human Resources Manager; Assistant Human Resources Manager; and Sales Associate.