

Executive Team Backgrounder

Vince Wicker co-founded edo consulting in late 2001 and in his tenure as Managing Principal; he has been responsible for developing edo's post-implementation consulting and network optimization practice as well as the firm's benchmarking and assessment activities. Vince works closely with some of the nation's leading supply chain management executives, helping them articulate and resolve the gaps their organizations have between their enterprise supply chain software investments and their current business needs. Vince also provides guidance to independent financial analysts and venture capital firms on the viability of various supply chain management investment opportunities. Vince has spoken at Georgia State University's graduate program and is a guest lecturer at Emory's Goizueta Business School.

At software vendor SynQuest (later acquired by Viewlocity), Vince held roles in market strategy, business development, industry consulting and pre-sales consulting. During this time, Vince conducted comprehensive joint-venture due diligence, introduced a comprehensive competitive intelligence program, rolled out a supply chain benchmarking process, and developed a financial statement-focused return on investment analysis to support the firm's sales efforts. At SynQuest, Vince focused on the automotive, consumer durable and consumer electronics industries

Prior to SynQuest Vince enjoyed a successful tenure at software maker Manugistics, where he became an expert in the demand planning arena. He served both in business consulting and implementation roles for the firm's entire application suite, including its optimization technologies. His industry work there spanned the consumer packaged goods, medical device, consumer durable, automotive and aerospace sectors.

Vince also served in a global marketing capacity for an international packaging firm. Vince's efforts involved managing the Coca-Cola Company's global business portfolio with the firm, developing opportunities in Singapore, France, Germany, England, Brazil, Mexico, and Argentina. Vince's early operations experience came during his tenure with Daimler-Chrysler where he worked on a team that first automated the inventory control and distribution systems of the company's service parts network. Vince has held senior consulting and project management roles in the financial service sector for The Northern Trust Company, Wells Fargo Bank, and Barclays Bank. Vince holds a BBA from The University of Michigan Business School and an MBA from Emory University's Goizueta Business School.

Leana Rykman co-founded edo consulting in late 2001 and in her tenure as Managing Principal, she has built edo's supply chain planning (forecasting, supply planning, and collaboration) practice and has authored its innovative consulting methodology, The Capability Maturity Model™. Leana is often called upon to advise some of the world's largest firms on the strategic implications of their supply chain management processes and technologies.

Leana brings a wealth of consulting experience to bear for each of edo's clients. At Accenture, she was an executive responsible for leading the selection, training, and implementation of supply chain management applications for global 2000 companies across industry verticals. Prior to Accenture, Leana spent several years as the i2 Technologies SCP practice lead for Grant Thornton, LLP (now Experio Solutions). She led business process and technical assessment teams, as well as Supply Chain implementations, dramatically increasing the revenue for the practice area.

Prior to her tenure at Grant Thornton, LLP, Leana spent several years with Manugistics, leading complex, multi-site, multi-country consumer packaged goods implementations and training efforts for Global 2000 companies in North and South America.

Leana's built her international logistics foundation during her four-year tenure with Mitsubishi International Corporation in both special projects and operations roles. At Mitsubishi she implemented a national logistics program, created a company wide statistical forecasting process, and developed the Canadian operations to support the Canadian line of business. There Leana transformed the company's customer recycling program into profitable line of business. Prior to Mitsubishi, Leana worked for Sanki Corporation on their JIT team in Japan. Leana holds a BS in Purchasing, Operations, and Logistics Management from Arizona State University.

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