

# **Craig Meis**

### **Qualifications Summary**

Extensive financial, accounting, entrepreneurial and operating experience in diverse industries as both as a consultant and a full-time Chief Financial Officer with complex corporate structures, early-stage ventures, and startups. He has experience in all aspects of financial management with a special talent for identifying key factors that determine success. An experienced leader with exceptional people skills who is innovative and forward thinking with the ability to see opportunities and execute quickly. A true problem solver with outstanding business judgment and leadership experience in numerous industries. Craig also has experience in all aspects of M&A.

#### **Professional History**

CFO Selections	Consultant	2023 - Present
Aimbridge Energy	CFO	2022 - 2023
Hitch Enterprises, Inc.	CFO & Executive VP	2019 - 2022
Self Employed Consultant	CFO Consultant	2004 - 2018
The Anschutz Corporation:		
Ansco Investment Company	Vice President & COO	1988 - 2004
Warrenton Refining Company	CFO & Executive VP	1986 – 1988

#### Accomplishments

- Created the Business Plan and Financing Plan for a startup Renewable Energy Company.
- Led the divestiture and deal structuring of 12 subsidiaries for a \$300 million agribusiness.
- Created cash forecasting model and execution plan for managing debt which allowed a company to reduce debt, saving millions of dollars in interest costs over a 3 yr. period.
- Led the financial restructuring and carve-out from parent corp for a copper refining and commodity trading business, setting up all accounting and financial systems.
- Successful turnaround of the Ski Train into the largest passenger train in the U.S. and nationally known tourist attraction.
- Increased revenue for 10 straight years and reduced maintenance costs by 50% for the Ski Train.
- Created a private rail travel excursion business.
- Created a highly profitable business for Southern Pacific Railroad of renting locations, locomotives, and railcars to the film industry, participating in hundreds or feature films, TV shows and TV commercials.
- Led the creation of the first ever private non-profit Colorado Film Commission and received funding from the State of Colorado Department of Economic Development.
- Established the first-ever investment committee for a medical research non-profit detailing investment policies and fiduciary responsibilities for the Company.

## **Licenses / Education**

- MBA University of Colorado
- BS Accounting, Oklahoma State University