# MARIAH W. GRATZ

#### SUMMARY

As CEO of Weyland Ventures, I work to bring new life to urban communities by revitalizing the built environment. I believe in creating distinct urban projects that combine office space, residential units, restaurants, shops, event space, entertainment venues, and urban park space to form dynamic 24-hour, mixed-use neighborhoods full of character, stories, and vibrancy. I have been with Weyland Ventures since 2009, and became CEO of the Louisville-based urban real estate development and management company in 2016.

## **WORK EXPERIENCE**

# Weyland Ventures (formerly, City Properties Group, LLC.), Louisville, KY

Chief Executive Officer

October 2016-Present

- Responsible for setting company strategy and direction, modeling and setting the company's culture, building the leading the management team, and allocating capital to the company's priorities.
- ♦ Make decisions regarding company growth opportunities, budget allocations, incentive structures, and overall company goals and objectives.
- ♦ Expertise in the use of Federal and State Historic Tax Credits, New Market Tax Credits, EPA "Brownfields" development, Tax Increment Financing, EB5, and other innovative financing techniques
- Continued responsibilities with the development team as detailed below.

#### Chief Operating Officer

January 2012-September 2016

- Responsible for developing and implementing budgets, processes, and best practices across all divisions
  of Weyland Ventures including asset management, event management, design and construction, and
  marketing.
- Responsible for overseeing all divisions of Weyland Ventures from an organizational and operational perspective.
- Continued responsibilities with the development team as detailed below.

#### Director, Real Estate Development

May 2009-December 2011

- Responsible for leading a cross-functional development team in the planning, design, and construction of real estate development projects.
- Projects focused in downtown Louisville. Recently completed projects include Whiskey Row Lofts, the EDGE at Liberty Green, Guthrie Coke Lofts, Zirmed Tower, and two PARC parking garages.
- Involved in master planning, preparing pro-formas, implementing budgets and schedules, contract negotiations with consultants and contractors, managing design to achieve construction cost objectives, and on-site construction coordination with general contractor.
- ♦ Interacting with banks and public agencies such as Louisville Metro Housing Authority, Planning and Zoning, and Inspections, Permits, and Licenses to achieve appropriate project financing and approvals.

#### ABIOMED, Inc., Danvers, MA

Program Manager – Athlone Facility Start-up

July 2008-April 2009

- ♦ Involved in start-up of new manufacturing facility in Athlone, Ireland, including manufacturing line development, transfer, and validation.
- Responsible for leading a global manufacturing project team.

Program Manager – AbioCor I/II Implantable Replacement Heart Systems

June 2007-April 2009

- Responsible for new product development as well as engineering support of existing products. Engineering support includes manufacturing support and complaint resolution activities.
- Directly managed dedicated product development team of engineers and technicians. Also responsible for leading cross-functional product team.

Project Lead – AbioCor I/II Implantable Electronics, Console, & PCE

September 2004-June 2007

- ♦ Involved in product design, development, verification, validation, transfer to manufacturing, and contract manufacturer management.
- Responsible for leading a cross-functional product development team.

Systems Engineer – AbioCor I Implantable Replacement Heart System

November 2003-August 2004

- ♦ Planned, organized, and executed the verification and validation effort for an FDA HDE submission.
- Wrote design input requirements and product specifications for the AbioCor system and its subsystems.

#### **EDUCATION**

University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, NC

Master of Business Administration

Completed: August 2016

Imperial College, London, UK

M.S. in Engineering and Physical Science in Medicine

Completed: October 2003

Washington University, St. Louis, MO

B.S. in Biomedical Engineering, Cum Laude

Completed: May 2002

## **COMMUNITY HONORS AND ACTIVITIES**

- ♦ ULI Kentucky District Council Chair 2019-present
- ♦ Honoree, 2016 Louisville Business First "Forty Under 40"
- ♦ Board Member, Greater Louisville, Inc (2019-present)
- Board Member, University of Louisville Real Estate Foundation (2018-present)
- Board Member, University of Louisville Family Business Center Advisory Board (2017-present)
- ♦ Board Member, Louisville Downtown Management District (2015-present), Chairman of the Board 2016-2018
- ♦ Board Member, Louisville Downtown Development Corp. (2016-2018)
- ♦ Board Member, Mercy Academy High School (2016-present)
- ♦ Board Member, Main Street Association (2013-2018)
- Board Member, Patty and Mildred Hill Happy Birthday Park, Inc. (2012-2018)
- Varsity Soccer Coach at Mercy Academy High School (Head Coach 2012-2015, Asst Coach 2010-2011)