# Jennifer Kennedy-Lockenvitz

SALES LEADERSHIP

## Profile

Solutions-oriented business professional with 6+ years of success and over \$2.5M in revenue generated. Possessing unique expertise in the law enforcement and government agencies industry, blended with a background in technical support and financial services. Tenacious in building new business, developing customer loyalty, and forging strong relationships with external business partners. Consistent track record of overachieving quotas: 105% in 2022; 105% in 2021; 118% in 2020. Known for fostering authentic connections while providing the highest level of service, quality, and innovation.

## **Professional Skills**

## Leadership

- Expertise in directing teams to set and achieve sales goals; generated over \$1.7M in revenue in 3 years; met and exceeded quarterly and annual sales goals by more than 10%
- Led transition of administrative and financial infrastructures to in-house functions (payroll, quarterly tax filing, account reconciliation, employee benefits), saving up to \$8k annually
- Advance business efficiency by developing and enhancing systems and digital processes (bookkeeping, data management, internal and vendor governance, shipping logistics); improved workflow by 15%, saving an average of 20 hours/week
- Innovate and execute high-impact action plans with strategic milestones to optimize business outcomes; improved KPIs 20% in first 12 months by integrating technology to increase client engagement, achieved 15% ROI
- Design and implement multi-tier workflows to expedite key aspects of operation; completed NYSE data migration project 2 months ahead of schedule, contributing to approximately \$20k in net cost savings
- Leverage relational skills and product knowledge to deliver sales presentations to leaders in the law enforcement and government agencies industry; gained NYPD as a customized unit client; increasing market share on East Coast by 6%

## **Business Operations**

- Oversee business development initiatives, accurately forecast, and manage annual sales target
- Provide advanced organizational, analytical, and problem-solving skills; migrated systems to a cloud setting allowing 100% remote database access and 24-hour technical support
- Proactively suggest solutions, training programs, productivity initiatives, technologies, support tools, and territory planning proposals to optimize team performance; **boosted territory profitability and exceeded sales goals by 12%** in 24 months
- Develop key strategies to support cost reduction; led sourcing initiative and negotiated pricing resulting in higher-quality deliverable at 59.7% of the original investment (\$1.34 reduced to \$0.54)
- Manage and set sales targets for a 7-member team, provide training on current market trends, gaining buy-in from leads, closing the deal

## **Client Relations**

- Develop deep understanding of customer's business objectives and related KPI's; execute success plans that outline how their critical needs will be met, including metrics for achievement; increased new clientele by 17% over 5 years while serving as primary contact for 800+ accounts
- Build solid client base by systematically establishing genuine rapport with gatekeepers to gain trust and secure access to senior executives and other decision makers; invited to tour NYPD fleet location after securing NYPD contract
- Inspire customer loyalty and repeat business by initiating contact to review needs/concerns and
  actively update clients on how product will continue to support their business goals; grew client
  retention by 28% in 5 years
- Establish rapport with prospects, ask relevant questions to create sense of urgency in the qualification process, manage client inquiries, and deliver value justification benefit statements

## Sales

- Drive results using solid business acumen and ability to quickly learn internal controls and processes; meet 100% of monthly quotas for meetings booked and opportunities created for 18 months, consecutively
- Build and execute extensive growth strategies (including outbound sales calls, scheduling inperson and virtual meetings, demonstrations, and presentations) to maximize revenue and exceed corporate goals; increased sales in assigned territory by 8% in the first year

## Details

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## Expertise

\*Master Relationship-Builder\*

Inclusive Leadership

**Outward-Thinking Initiatives** 

Superior Client Relations

Client Acquisition & Retention

Systems Improvement

Process Efficiency

Budget Forecasting | Risk Assessment

**Contract Negotiations** 

Product Knowledge

Engagement Strategies

Public Relations

Team-Focused Collaboration

**Emotional Intelligence** 

Articulate Communicator

Proactive Problem-Solving

Focused | Strategic | Patient

Detail-Oriented | Adaptable

- Pinpoint sales opportunities and targeted client prospects, achieved a close rate of 25%, which exceeded expectations by 10%
- Develop differentiated sales approaches to meet a broad range of customer needs; average 57 new customers per year
- Take full ownership of inbound client requests and bring 100% to a successful resolution

#### Marketing | Content Design

- Design and launch branding and social media presence to expand product awareness; grew LinkedIn followers by 36.7% in previous 30 days
- Optimize public relations and community outreach efforts; represent organization at 6-10 trade shows and industry events annually
- Generate strategic lead generation communications and events, including promotional materials, email campaigns, informative workshops, and regional trade shows

#### Collaboration

- Partner with teammates cross-functionally to manage brand, identify key players, and coordinate actions
- Support marketing, sales, and product management to align business objectives
- Work closely with sales support personnel, including customer success, SMEs, and management resources; regularly partner with engineer team to customize client requests

#### Interpersonal | Communication

- Articulate and strategic communicator; talent for engaging an audience and expressing ideas with clarity
- · Listen and communicate effectively with diverse populations
- Maintain positive relationships with stakeholders within all levels of the organization by encouraging open communication
- Positively represent organization while working with potential clients, personnel, and outside agencies
- Ability to work independently and prioritize tasks; eager to learn, adapt, and implement feedback with a humble spirit

#### Organization

- Use proprietary software (including Salesforce) to track and support sales progress, team assignments, data collection, reporting and manage over 800 client accounts
- Analyze and identify data trends for accuracy, continuous improvement, and system implementation
- Maintain thorough accuracy of all daily, weekly, and quarterly sales goals, quotas, and reports
- Manage schedules and respond to shifting priorities to maximize business impact
- · Acutely attend to details and adhere to deadlines

#### Achievements

- Promote financial literacy and equitable services as Co-Chair for Money Smart Week; coordinated and directed full life cycle development of 10 large-scale collaborative events, including project scope and sequence, objectives, scheduling, entertainment, advertisement, vendor management, and donations
- Secured \$18k, 100% forgiven small business government funding grant, allowed full operation of business during COVID pandemic
- Donated 50+ volunteer hours to mentoring emerging leaders and community outreach
- Recognized by key stakeholders for outstanding performance, positive disposition, and exceptional work ethic

## Certifications

Notary | 2018, State of Illinois

Health & Life Insurance | 2013, State of Illinois

Income Tax Preparation | 2016, The Income Tax School

## Employment History

Regional Sales Manager, Evidence IQ, Lemont, IL 2023 – PRESENT

Vice President of Operations, Secure-Idle, Saybrook, IL 2017 – 2023

Director of Client Relations, McBeath Financial Group, Normal, IL

## **Technical Skills**

CRM | Salesforce

Microsoft Office | Google Suite

Database | Order Management

QuickBooks | Thomson Ultra Tax

#### Education

BS, Operations & Information Management Northern Illinois University

#### 2013 — 2017

Sales & HR Account Manager, Ranstad, Bloomington, IL 2012 – 2013

**Technical Operations Manager, Cantor Fitzgerald, New York, NY** 2007 – 2008

Assistant Vice President, Thomas TradeWeb, Jersey City, NJ  $_{\rm March\,2007-July\,2007}$ 

## **Other Professional Experience**

Account Manager at NYFIX, New York, NY | 2005-2007 Operations Manager at Scholastic Entertainment, New York, NY | 2004-2005 Technical Account Manager at United Center, Chicago, IL | 2003-2004 IT Consultant at Century 21, Chicago, IL | 2003-2004