

Michael Crawford - Biography



Michael Crawford is the Chairman of the Board, President and Chief Executive Officer for Hall of Fame Resort & Entertainment Company, a publicly traded company on the NASDAO:HOFV, and its subsidiaries, including the Hall of Fame Village destination, which he joined in December of 2018, as well as the Company's Hall of Fame Village Media and Gaming divisions. An Ohio native, Mr. Crawford holds an undergraduate degree from Bowling Green State University and a master's degree in Business Administration from the University of Notre Dame. He brings to the Company demonstrated leadership experience from his development of retail and dining establishments, hotels, theme parks, and entertainment destinations around the world. His tremendous success at both the Walt Disney Company and the Four Seasons Hotels and Resorts Company makes him an extremely capable and qualified executive.

Mr. Crawford spent almost 25 years at the Walt Disney Company. He rose to Senior Vice President and General Manager of Shanghai Disney Resort and President of Shanghai's Walt Disney Holdings Company. Mr. Crawford led the negotiation and multibillion-dollar development of Shanghai Disney Resort from 2007-2014. As General Manager of Shanghai Disney, Mr. Crawford led a talented team throughout the formation of the company and development of the new destination resort. He also managed relationships with the resort's local business partners, community and government leaders, and industry experts supporting the new venture in Disney's portfolio.

Prior to leading Hall of Fame Resort & Entertainment Company, Mr. Crawford spent four years with the Four Seasons Hotels and Resorts Company. He started as President of Asia Pacific and went on to become Global President of Portfolio Management. While at Four Seasons, Mr. Crawford led a company repositioning effort in Asia and oversaw all hotel development and operations for the region. As President of Portfolio Management, he held responsibility for business and capital planning, along with the design and construction of all new Four Seasons Hotels and Resorts Worldwide. Mr. Crawford also oversaw the growth of the Four Seasons branded residential business with \$10B of forecasted real estate sales over a five-year planning period. Mr. Crawford's extensive industry experience and Ohio roots positions him well to lead the development and growth of Hall of Fame Resort & Entertainment Company and spearhead the Hall of Fame Village project.

Mr. Crawford also currently serves as a member of the Board of Directors for Texas Roadhouse and is an Adjunct Professor at the University of Mount Union in Alliance, Ohio. Michael Crawford and his wife, Kim, enjoy traveling, hiking, playing golf, and spending time with Michael's daughter, Kaitlin, who graduated premed from the University of Notre Dame in 2020, and is currently pursuing her master's in public health at Tulane University.

Raj Bazaj

Vice President, Sustainability Solutions, Constellation

Profile

Raj leads a business group at Constellation that works with a diverse group of customers assisting them in implementing a wide range of solutions to help them achieve their sustainability objectives. Key focus areas include data analytics, renewables and energy efficiency. The primary goal is to create a customized decarbonization strategy while effectively managing risk and costs.

Professional History

Raj has worked in the chemical and energy industry across a wide range of roles. He began his career in the chemical industry working with multi-national companies Bayer, Cytec Industries and American Cyanamid. Roles included R&D, marketing and sales before being promoted to the Director of Marketing for NAFTA where he also managed the Export and Resale sales channels. Responsibilities included managing the P&L and developing short- and long-term strategy including production of chemicals manufactured in the U.S for export overseas.

Raj started his energy career with WPS Energy Services (later Integrys) in 2005 as the Managing Director for retail power and gas sales. The business was acquired by Constellation in 2014. Most recently Raj led the effort to develop a multi-year partnership agreement with the Johnson Controls Hall of Fame Village. The agreement recognizes Constellation as the official energy provider and provides exclusive naming rights for the Constellation Center for Excellence, a key component of the development project under way in Canton, OH.

As a member of the White House Initiative on Asian American and Pacific Islanders (AAPI), Raj has attended Leadership summits at the White House under both the Obama and Trump administration. The initiative focuses on several key areas including education, career development, business, jobs, immigration, heath care, housing and workforce leadership.

Education

Raj holds a B.S. in Chemical Engineering from the University of Arizona and an Executive MBA from the University of Connecticut.

Kim Bolt

Founder & President, For Good Venturers

Kim is a founding General Partner at Bay Bridge Ventures, which was created upon the thesis that the future's most successful companies would be those that solve critical problems facing the environment and humanity. Investment categories include climate technologies, health innovation, and inclusive capital. Previously, she was the Founder & President of For Good Ventures, a top performing impact VC fund which successfully demonstrated venture capital ESG investing could financially outperform other venture capital strategies.

Prior to For Good Ventures, Kim worked at Goldman Sachs in their Technology, Media and Telecom Investment Banking Groups in San Francisco and Los Angeles. Previously, she was in Mergers & Acquisitions at Deutsche Bank in New York. She obtained her undergraduate degree from Cornell University and received her MBA from The Wharton School at the University of Pennsylvania. Kim has held designations including USGBC LEED, CCIM, and Series 79 licenses.

Specific to the energy space, Kim is a current board member of Turntide Technologies and Neighborhood Sun. She was an early investor in Sunlight Financial and Goodleap among several companies and funds focused on clean energy, energy efficiency, electrification infrastructure and finance. She is an active advisor to the venture capital impact programs at UPenn, UC Berkeley, Cornell and the RK Mellon Foundation.