



District Leader

Biographical Information

Candidate's Name:

Candidate's Office: District Number:

Toastmasters member since:

Education:

Toastmasters offices held and terms of service:

Toastmasters honors and recognition:

Relevant work experience and how it relates to Toastmasters and your role as a District leader:

What experience do you have in strategic planning?

What experience do you have in the area of finance?

What experience do you have in developing procedures?

What lessons did you learn from previous leadership positions?

Why do you want to serve as a District leader?

In your opinion, what are the District mission's major objectives and how would you work to achieve them?

Additional information about yourself:

Victor Mattison Bio

Victor Mattison is a management consultant who focuses on turning around troubled companies and returning them to profitability.

Until it was sold in 2014, Mattison was CEO of Access US, a company he founded in 1995 while in graduate school at Northwestern. The company was twice named to the INC 500 (#200 in 2000 and #274 in 2001) representing one of the 500 fastest growing private companies in the United States. The St. Louis Business Journal recognized Access US as the 9th fastest growing private company in St. Louis in 2001 and it was a two-time Fast 50 Award winner (ranked # 4 in 2000 and # 5 in 2001).

As Access US' success grew the business evolved and diversified with the purchase of Habanero in 2000 which remains one of the area's leading web-based application development companies. Its emphasis is on e-commerce and database driven applications as well as developing and implementing social media and search engine optimization strategies.

Mattison founded Core Networks with two industry professionals in 2013 to help organizations design, install and support business enabling network environments. Core works with a broad range of clients but focuses heavily on education, healthcare and government work.

Other entrepreneurial efforts include; the development of My Choice Network, a wireless networking business in 30 under-served markets in rural Illinois and southeastern Missouri (the company was sold in 2013), 321 Studios which developed and marketed retail software applications which grew to 400 employees before Mattison divested of his interest, a coffee shop on Laclede's Landing (which was sold), ownership of a hotel, restaurant and conference center in Rockford, IL, and other real estate businesses.

He completed fifteen acquisitions during his career and sold several businesses or business divisions.

Mattison received an MBA from the Kellogg School of Management at Northwestern University in Evanston, IL with an emphasis in Marketing, Finance and International Business. Prior to graduate school, Mattison was graduated

with honors from the University of Missouri, Columbia with a Bachelor of Science degree in Business Administration.

For five years Mattison was an instructor at Washington University where he both designed and taught a course on Entrepreneurship. He has been a guest lecturer for the MBA programs at both Washington University and St. Louis University.

Among other business interests Mattison is a Toastmaster where he has been awarded Distinguished Toastmaster (DTM), served as District Growth Director, Area Director, club president, club mentor and club officer. He serves as president of the Kellogg Alumni Club of St. Louis, is on the Regional Board for Great Circle, is on the Board of Trustees for a lake resort community near Sullivan, Missouri. He is the board secretary for the Laclede's Landing Redevelopment Corporation. His most valued personal achievement is having become an Eagle Scout.

He was raised in St. Louis County (Manchester) as the oldest of five very active children. He is married to Laurie Mattison and has four children, Kyle (22) and Reagan (16), Parker (15) and Macy (13). After living in the City of St. Louis for several years he and his family relocated to St. Louis County in 2005. In addition to a very active family life, his personal interests and activities include reading, travel, scuba diving, sports, and becoming a private pilot.