# JOSHUA SMITH

Over 20 years of retail sales & management experience. Award-winning individual contributor in sales. Peer leader as a manager. Data enthusiast. World-class fantasy sports player. Husband. Father.

#### **EDUCATION**

A.S. DEGREE

## **Communications**

Tri-County Technical College

Graduated in 2009

B.S. DEGREE

## Cybersecurity

Western Governer's University

Continuing Education

# **SKILLS**

#### Technical Skills

Web Design
Excel, PowerBi, SQL
Python/R
Windows/Linux/MacOS

## Soft Skills

Conflict Resolution
Sales/Communication
Team Building
Time Management

## NOTABLE ACHIEVEMENTS

## 3x World Championship Live Finalist DFS

NFL, NCAA Football, and NBA world championship qualifiers. FanDuel and DraftKings.

#### Self-Hosted Web Server

Server running in my Bonus Room closet has had better than 99% uptime for over 2 years.

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

AUG 2021 - PRESENT | BEST BUY | TN/AL/KY

## Consult & Design Manager

- Responsible for entire omnichannel sales cycle experience. 8 direct reports, 12 indirect.
- Recruit, hire, train, promote, and discharge employees. Train to sell complex technical solutions confidently and effectively.
- Part of territory level taskforce charged with gaining buy-in from key stakeholders and mentoring peers.
- Developed custom performance dashboard used across entire territory for performance management.

AUG 2019 - AUG 2021 | BEST BUY | KNOXVILLE, TENNESSEE

#### Specialty Sales Manager

- Full P&L responsibility for Magnolia Design Center, a specialty premium A/V arm of Best Buy with over \$15 million in annual sales from our location.
- In addition to sales responsibilities, also in charge of inventory management and back office tasks.
- Proposed and executed plan to hire seller in underserved Charlotte market that reported to me in Knoxville. Successful test resulted in nationwide rollout.

AUG 2015 - AUG 2019 | BEST BUY | KNOXVILLE, TENNESSEE

## Sr. System Designer / Sales Manager

- Achieved 2x President's Club as individual performer
- Assisted Specialty Sales Manager with training new employees
- Used CRM software to manage book of business across 6 states with over \$1.5 million in annual sales.

JUN 2011 - AUG 2015 | BEST BUY | KNOXVILLE, TENNESSEE

#### Home Entertainment Advisor / MHT SD

- Part of the initial rollout of the in-home consultation program for Best Buy.
- Helped create business rhythms for this position and trained new employees.
- Consistent top-level performer amongst peers, regularly recognized for exceptional results.
- Increased revenue per transaction by more than quadruple vs. in-store sales and improved baskets and solutions.

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# **ORGANIZATIONS**

2018 - 2021

#### Circle Modern Dance

Served on the Board of Directors for Circle Modern Dance, a non-profit dance company based out of Knoxville, TN, from 2018 to 2021. During this time, I held titled roles of Secretary and Treasurer.

2024 - PRESENT

## Knoxville Entrepeneur Center

Part of the WordPress Knoxville group and actively participating in Knoxville entrepeneurial networking

## **AWARDS & RECOGNITION**

2016 & 2017

President's Club - Magnolia Audio Video

2009 & 2010

Brad Anderson Legacy Stock Award

# **TESTIMONIALS**

"If I could go to a random city and open a new Best Buy with a whole bunch of Josh Smiths, we'd be the best store in the company. You represent the best of what our company has to offer."

—Bill, Best Buy Executive

"Working under Josh was an unparalleled experience that set the gold standard for leadership."

-Will, Direct Report

## **EXPERIENCE CONTINUED**

DEC 2009 - JUN 2011 | BEST BUY | KNOXVILLE, TENNESSEE

### Magnolia Home Theater Supervisor

- Responsible, under the direction of the assistant manager team, for ensuring the success of the Magnolia Home Theater Department
- Train New Employees in demonstration and sales techniques
- Sell (player coach) and maintain department functionality, look, and feel.

MAY 2007 - DEC 20009 | BEST BUY | ANDERSON, SOUTH CAROLINA

### **Business Technology Professional**

- This job was created after a restructure eliminated my position. I proposed an idea and was allowed to run with it, completely unique and unprecedented.
- Attended local chamber of commerce, school board, and home builders association meetings to network with local businesses and establish Best Buy as a resource for them.
- Turned a job loss situation into a new proof of concept position, won stock awards two consecutive years for unique contributions to the company, and laid a foundation for business-to-business sales for the organization.

APR 2005 - MAY 2007 | BEST BUY | KNOXVILLE, TENNESSEE

#### Magnolia Home Theater Pro

- Part of initial wave of nationwide Magnolia Home Theater rollout.
- Top performing salesperson month after month, even compared to more experienced peers.
- Invited to teach "Art of the Demo" to my peers at national conference in Orlando, Florida.

OCT 2004 - APR 2005 | BEST BUY | KNOXVILLE, TENNESSEE

#### Part-time Seasonal Media Associate

- Hired temporarily as seasonal help.
- Led the market in attach rate/baskets in video game department.
- Talent was quickly recognized and I was repositioned to bigger impact area and given permanent position.