

# DARIEN WRIGHT, CPA

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## HOSPITALITY SENIOR EXECUTIVE | CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER

**Agile team leader with 25+ years of broad experience across diverse companies → private equity, Fortune 200 publicly traded, management consulting and Big Four accounting**

Strategic Planning • Asset Management • Corporate Finance/Investments • Stakeholder Relationships

MBA, Wharton School, University of Pennsylvania | BS in Accounting, Binghamton University

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### Professional Summary

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BROOKWOOD HOTELS – Washington, DC

**Chief Operating Officer**

2018 - Present

Drive the strategic growth of Brookfield's \$770 million extended-stay hotel investment with oversight of development, acquisition and disposition activity, facilities, asset management, legal and accounting. The portfolio company owns more than 100 WoodSpring Suites hotels (~13,000 rooms) across 30 states. Shifted capital spending priorities, reduced headcount by 25% and successfully transitioned team to a remote environment during COVID-19 pandemic. Manage liquidity, direct third-party operator, serve on Franchise Advisory Council, and interact with private equity board.

BROOKFIELD PROPERTY GROUP – New York, NY

**Vice President, Asset Management**

2017 - 2018

Provided oversight for the 1,372-room Sheraton Centre Toronto Hotel. Led initial design and scope efforts for C\$100 million repositioning of lobby and retail areas. Monitored operational performance and evaluated capital spending.

MARRIOTT INTERNATIONAL - Bethesda, MD

**Vice President, Americas Asset Management and Analysis**

2013 - 2017

Facilitated the execution of over 20 new build projects in Latin America, from midscale to luxury. Collaborated with Construction, Legal and Operations teams to resolve pre-opening issues, mitigate risks and negotiate agreement modifications with hotel owners. Evaluated capital expenditure and improvement plans for owned/leased assets.

**Vice President, Corporate and Development Finance**

2008 - 2013

Prepared valuations to structure hotel transactions and workout proposals. Evaluated financial issues for the CFO, analyzed potential acquisitions and coached seven associates. Business partner to Treasury and Investor Relations.

**Vice President, Financial Planning and Analysis** (promoted from Senior Director)

2006 - 2008

Recommended capital allocation decisions (share repurchases, dividends, debt levels) to maximize shareholder value. Prepared Board of Directors presentations and interfaced with external auditors. Co-led team of six for several months.

SPRINT NEXTEL CORPORATION - Reston, VA

2002 - 2006

ACCENTURE / ANDERSEN CONSULTING - Virginia and New York

1998 - 2002

COOPERS & LYBRAND - Connecticut and New York

1992 - 1997

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### Affiliations and Other

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Trustee, The Woods Academy – Vice Chair (2020 - 2021), Treasurer (2016 - 2020), Finance Committee (2015 - 2020)

Trustee, McLean School of Maryland – Vice Chair (2013 - 2014), Audit & Finance Committees (2011 - 2014)

Hotel Asset Management Association, INROADS Alumni Association, Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc.

Completed one-month China Global Immersion Program in Beijing, Zhengzhou, Shanghai and Hong Kong