

Stephanie Vaughan Weichsel

Board of Directors Candidate

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🏠 West Hollywood, CA

Stephanie is a business transformation expert and mission-driven leader focused on the future of finance. She has a successful history consistently scaling businesses by raising funds, redesigning operations, up-leveling compliance and driving growth. Stephanie improves profitability by adapting new business models rapidly and effectively at key inflection points in a company's life cycle in order to execute and achieve the goals of the organization, a skill she acquired from the US Marine Corps and refined through her extensive business experience.

Stephanie is an accomplished C-Level executive with both broad and niche expertise around corporate structure, strategic funding arrangements, and launching businesses in Blockchain, Digital Asset, FinTech and Lending Space. Stephanie has a specific expertise in launching digital assets from compliance (KYC/AML), tax, corporate structure (including open-source foundations), token formation & distribution, secondary trading and public exchange listings. She has an engaging personality that establishes strong rapport quickly with all team members, serves as a trusted advisor to boards of directors and communicates effectively with all levels.



BOARD EXPERIENCE

Board Member - Privategrity (Private Technology Company) | 2018 - 2020

- Compliance Committee
- Economic Substance Committee

Board Member - xx Network (Crypto Network distributed in worldwide auction) | 2018 - 2020

CORPORATE EXPERIENCE

EQUA GLOBAL - LOS ANGELES, CA | Blockchain-Enabled SaaS | 2020 - Present

Chief Operating Officer

Leading all operations for a novel blockchain backed cap table management SaaS company

- **Fundraising:** Organized, led and secured \$2.0 million Seed Funding
- **SEC Transfer Agent:** Manages digital transfer agent for both transfer and new issuance of securities
- **Product:** Launched and manages issuance portal for existing organizations including KYC/AML and accreditation checks through a partnership with Tokensoft
- **Key accomplishment:** Developed, launched and manages NFT product, allowing organizations to claim their own NFT

XX NETWORK/ELIXXIR - LOS ANGELES, CA/GRAND CAYMAN | Private Cryptocurrency | 2018 - 2020

Chief Operating Officer

Formed, Launched and ran Operations for David Chaum's (digital cash creator) metadata resistant cryptocurrency and messenger

- **Corporate Structure:** Established Cayman company corporate structure and served as board member of xx Network, SEZC and Privategrity Corporation
- **Operations:** Launched international xx collective meetup app and groups, hired and built marketing efforts and procedures
- **Compliance:** Set up compliance processes including contracts for 200+ BetaNet nodes
- **Key accomplishment:** Formed and managed project strategy pre-launch, organized KYC fundraising round with over 1000 KYC'd investors at a \$400 million valuation

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CORPORATE EXPERIENCE

STREET SHARES - WASHINGTON, D.C. | Venture-Backed Fintech | 2017-2018

Head of Capital Markets, Development and Strategy

Led all strategic initiatives for investor products, including structuring, launching and selling

- **Strategy:** Developed strategy to achieve equity and debt goals alongside C-suite, ensuring priorities of executive team were acted upon and met
- **Fundraising:** Worked with CEO advising on approach, and facilitating diligence with multiple equity investors for \$23 million Series B raise
- **Product:** Led first creation and sale of Mezzanine notes to meet short-term funding shortfall for debt
- **Development:** Solely responsible for StreetShares Capital Markets, including CoC and an institutional reporting platform which facilitated future securitizations, lowering the CoC
- **Key accomplishment:** Led and negotiated two \$30M debt deals for newly launched Government Contract financing product

LUNACAP VENTURES - NEW YORK, NY | Venture Debt Fund | 2016-2017

Associate

Advised and mentored companies, helping them achieve and sustain financial and operational objectives for consumer and service-based companies

- **Strategic Planning:** Engaged with founders of portfolio companies on formulating strategies to achieve financial goals, utilizing problem solving and communications skills
- **Due Diligence:** Identified opportunities for financial growth and portfolio expansion, performed due diligence and negotiated debt and equity investments
- **Development:** Helped create Start Your Own Lender (SYOL) with George Popescu which encourages entrepreneurs to start their own lending companies

HOULIHAN LOKEY - New York, NY | Global Investment Bank | 2014-2017

Industrials M&A

Developed and presented financial analysis to senior executives at PE firms and acquiring companies on Industrial M&A transactions

- **People Management:** Led 10 analysts across multiple M&A deal teams, resulting in several multi-million dollar transactions
- **Subject Matter Expert:** Knowledge in Environmental Services, Industrial Services, Industrial Technology and Building Products
- **Selected Transactions:** TerraTherm sale to Cascade, Vertex Energy Nevada Facility sale to Clean Harbors

MILITARY EXPERIENCE

UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS | 2007-2012

CAPTAIN

Country Vulnerability Assessment Officer, US Central Command Joint Security Office Forward

- Implemented over 175 anti-terrorism programs across multiple bases while in Afghanistan
- Developed relationships with Afghan Security forces, Afghan National Army and Jordanian and Kuwaiti Armed forces to improve their security measures protecting US citizens under their care

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Aide for Brigadier General Daniel O'Donohue

- Worked on the Force Structure Review Group, a group responsible for downsizing the USMC, for Secretary of Defense Ashton Carter and Marine Corps leadership
- Prepared information for General O'Donohue's Congressional Testimony

Operations Officer, Marine Wing Communications Squadron 18

- Planned and designed communications architecture and operations, supporting over 300 Marines across multiple theatres including Operation Enduring and Iraqi Freedom

Communications Officer, 31st Marine Expeditionary Unit, Aviation Command Element

Selected by commanding officer as the first-ever 2nd Lt. to serve as a principal officer for the Communications Shop in the Aviation Command Element

Multi-Channel Radio Platoon Commander, Marine Wing Communications Squadron 18

- Led, counseled and developed over 50 Marines, including peers
- Directed and coordinated over \$7M of satellite equipment, including the deployment of Marines to multiple countries across the Pacific Command

EDUCATION

- **Columbia Business School** | New York, NY | MBA, Finance & Economics | 2014
- **United States Naval Academy** | Annapolis, MD | BS, Quantitative Economics | 2007