

Emily Johnson

President



With Taylor Johnson since: Birth. My mother founded the company when I was five years old.

The best professional advice I received was: From the book Good to Great – "Get the right people on the bus". It's all about the people.

Favorite Halloween costume: Marcia Brady – I looked just like her...and Axle Rose – I looked just like him.

People around the office come to me for: Advice and permission

Three words that describe me are: Optimistic, thorough, committed

Proudest TJ moment: When Donald Trump said our press conference for Trump Tower was

one of the best orchestrated that he had been a part of. There were so many moving parts to that event – the media, the brokers, Mr. Trump and his entourage – that we really needed to focus on our individual efforts while working as a team. At the end of the day when we toasted to our success, I was so proud of each person and what we had accomplished together.

When I was growing up I thought I'd be:

An architect. I've always had a fascination with houses, which probably stemmed from my early years of touring model homes with my mother on the weekends. I always knew I would end up in real estate.

Favorite Chicago building: The Wrigley Building. I love the architecture of the building – the art deco style and its prominence on the river and Michigan Avenue, especially when it's lit up at night. Plus, we officed there from 1994 to 2001, which was an exciting time for our agency. When we started there, we had 10 employees and by the time we left we had 28. Great memories.

Last good book I read: The Giving Tree – over and over to my three children.

What I like most about Taylor Johnson: Our corporate culture – hardworking but fun, relaxed but driven, autonomous but team-oriented. We have great people that I learn from every day.

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