

Vanessa Irving Dillingham

Social Media Senior Account Manager

Vanessa joined Taylor Johnson in 2006 and has worked in different capacities, so she considers herself a jack of all trades. After serving as an account manager, Vanessa is now the firm's social media senior account manager and is responsible for Taylor Johnson's social media.

After graduating from Eastern Illinois University with a degree in journalism, Vanessa pursued a career in television, first working as a producer for a CBS morning show in Champaign and then moving to an NBC affiliate in Peoria, where she also worked as a producer and continued to hone her storytelling skills. While there, Vanessa was the recipient of the Illinois Broadcasters Association's Silver Dome Award for a program she produced about women in leadership positions in the Peoria area.

But the grueling hours of television news ultimately led Vanessa to make a switch to public relations, and she moved to New York City to handle corporate communications for a financial planning firm and, later, for a media planning company before moving back to Illinois in 2005.

Vanessa and her husband, Dennis, have three daughters ranging in age from three to 10. They enjoy traveling and going to the beach. Vanessa, who volunteers at her children's school and is the PTA president there, is also an avid reader and lover of all things real estate.