

PHILIP R. MCCHESNEY, MSW

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Philip R. McChesney is a distinguished leader with extensive experience spanning public service, large-scale operations management, and financial services. His career is marked by a commitment to public welfare, strategic execution, and innovative problem-solving, underpinned by a Bachelor of Science in Business Administration from Bowling Green State University and a Master of Social Work from Barry University, providing applied knowledge of human services principles and community needs.

Currently serving as Director of the Consumer Protection Division and Assistant Chief Innovation Officer for Broward County, Florida, McChesney administers vital consumer protection and child care regulatory programs. His responsibilities include developing and implementing divisional policies, managing budgets, and overseeing enforcement processes for various consumer and child care ordinances. He also directs the County Innovation Unit, spearheading the implementation of business intelligence solutions and identifying innovative technology to address operational challenges and enhance decision-making across county agencies.

Building on a robust foundation in operational leadership, McChesney previously served as Executive Vice President of Operations & Education for Envision EMI, where he provided direction for over 160 residential programs and conferences annually, managing a budget exceeding $70 million. He was instrumental in executing over 80 contracts, recruiting and managing more than 700 seasonal staff, and fostering a culture of continuous improvement and risk management, maintaining an exceptional safety record. His tenure also included significant contributions to stakeholder relationship cultivation with universities and school districts to deliver tailored college immersion and career exploration solutions.

McChesney's leadership capabilities were further honed during his distinguished 20-year career in the U.S. Army, retiring as a Lieutenant Colonel. He commanded battalion-level operations, including the Joint Replacement Center for Iraq and Kuwait, orchestrating complex, multi-agency efforts to ensure personnel readiness, logistical support, and training requirements for thousands of deploying individuals. His military service was recognized with the Bronze Star Medal and multiple Meritorious Service and Army Commendation Medals.

Earlier in his career, McChesney served as Vice President and Banking Center Manager at Bank of America, where he managed branch operations, oversaw sales and lending activities, ensured financial and audit compliance, and coached teams. This experience provided a strong grounding in financial management and customer service excellence.