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State Director- Louisiana Small Business Development Center, Monroe- Louisiana Area Program Development



Kessler's scope of duties consists of reviewing, establishing and implementing statewide policy and procedures for operating the Louisiana Small Business Development (SBDC) network; developing proposals to state and federal agencies; and senior management and direction of the program activities and financial affairs of the Louisiana SBDC in order to deliver effective services to the small business community, ensure compliance with applicable laws, regulations and executive orders, and deliver negotiated results based on objectives from the SBA and Louisiana Economic Development.

Director

Louisiana Small Business Development Center

Worked on the LSU Shreveport campus, I was the Director of the Small Business Development Center at Shreveport, an SBA, State and University funded agency.

Regional Manager | OMNI Energy Services

Shreveport, Louisiana Area

Responsible for transportation and equipment rental, as well as a thermal processing plant, for service to the oil and gas locations in northern Louisiana and eastern Texas

CEO | Advanced Coastal Technologies

Manufactured and installed Geotextile sand dune stabilization and reinforcement worldwide; shoreline and coastal property protection.

Distribution Manager | Michelin / TNT Logistics

Distribution and logistics management for Michelin tires in the northeastern United States from two distribution centers: one in Philadelphia and one in Baltimore.

Plant Manager | Michelin North America

Overall responsibility for production, engineering, equipment maintenance and HR at the aircraft tire plant in Kansas City, MO.