

NEWS RELEASE

CONTACT: Clay Walker
RELEASE

FOR IMMEDIATE

TELEPHONE: 423-279-7681

September 21, 2018

EMAIL: This email address is being protected from spambots. You need JavaScript enabled to view it.

NETWORKS SULLIVAN PARTNERSHIP ANNOUNCES TWO PROMOTIONS

BLOUNTVILLE, TN – NETWORKS Sullivan Partnership is excited to announce two staff position changes.

Dana Glenn, formerly Administrative and Marketing Coordinator, is now the Director of Marketing and Business Development. She will continue to lead the organization's marketing efforts, including branding initiatives and video production, and will add project management to her duties. Glenn will also lead FIRST, the organization's existing industry program.

Before joining NETWORKS, Glenn served as the Administrative and Marketing Coordinator for the Kingsport Office of Small Business Development (KOSBE) and completed an internship at the Kingsport Chamber of Commerce. She holds a Bachelor of Business Administration Degree from East Tennessee State University and is currently completing coursework through Oklahoma University's Economic Development Institute.

Glenn serves as President of PEAK – Kingsport Young Professionals and sits on various boards in the community, including United Way of Greater Kingsport and Branch House Family Center. She is a member of the Business Journal's 40 Under Forty Class of 2017 and a 2016 graduate of Leadership Kingsport.

"I am thrilled to continue my career at NETWORKS Sullivan Partnership," said Glenn. "I look forward to taking on more responsibility in project management as well as continuing to build upon our highly successful brand of Where Tennessee Begins Its Business Day."

Michael Parker, formerly Executive Project Manager, will now serve as the Director of Economic Development. Parker is responsible for attraction/recruitment initiatives, including business retention and expansion. Among his duties, Parker also leads the Northeast Tennessee Red Carpet Tour, an IEDC award-winning annual familiarization tour that offers site location consultants an opportunity to experience the Southern hospitality and pro-business culture Northeast Tennessee offers.

Parker joined the NETWORKS team in 2011 as an intern and has played an integral role in the organization's successes since. He holds a Bachelor's Degree in Political Science and a Master's Degree in Public Administration from East Tennessee State University.

He is a 2014 graduate of LEAD Bristol and continues to assist with the organization's Economic Development Program Day. Parker and his wife, Morgan, recently welcomed their first child, Lillian.

"I am excited to be given this opportunity to continue serving my community in this capacity," Parker said. "Northeast Tennessee is a great community with so much to offer, and I feel honored to be able to represent it on a daily basis."

“It has been a pleasure having Dana and Michael on the team and seeing them grow professionally while making tremendous contributions to our region. I am excited to see all that they will accomplish in their new roles,” said Carolyn Ferrell, Chairman of the NETWORKS Sullivan Partnership Board.

“Dana and Michael have done exceptional work during their respective tenures at NETWORKS and our leadership believes in building an organization that people can potentially stay with their entire careers. That means, among other things, providing opportunities for advancement,” CEO Clay Walker said. “In Dana’s case, that meant moving into a role of more responsibility by filling a position that recently became open and in Michael’s case, it was a slight restructure that really wasn’t difficult for us, but created both a reward and affirmation for the work he has done for the past seven years as well as a real growth opportunity for him.”

NETWORKS Sullivan Partnership is the economic development organization serving the Northeastern Tennessee communities of Sullivan – including investor partners Bluff City, Bristol, and Kingsport – and Hawkins County. To learn more about NETWORKS Sullivan Partnership, please visit networkstn.com.

-END-