

# SARAH ALTER

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## Current Board Experience

FEDERATION OF STATE MEDICAL BUREAUS Board Advisor 2024-Present

AUTOMATO AI Board Advisor 2024-Present

bluSPARC Board Advisor 2024-Present

ILLINOIS STATE LOTTERY CONTROL BOARD Governor Appointed 2019-2024

MAVERICK DIGITAL Board Advisor Successfully Acquired 2019-2022

BE REAL Board Member 2020-Present

## Recognition

Crains Notable Women Executives April 2020

Women's Inspiration Award Issued by Aronberg Golgehn June 2018

JD Powers Top Ranking Website Credit Card Industry-Discover August 2009

#### Education

Harvard Business School

**MBA** 

Northwestern University

**BA-Economics** 

Sarah's expertise and success as an executive for Fortune 500 companies along with her innovative and strategic growth mindset makes her an ideal advisor to any business looking to elevate or transform their brand and customer experience. With entrepreneurial, C-Suite, and board facing experience, she is well versed in leading the optimal balance between profit, productivity, and people leadership.

## SELECT ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Grew and diversified NextUp revenue by over 60% to \$11MM
as well as its membership community by over 100% to 18,000
and growing.

- Oversee execution of leadership development, networking and DEIB strategies and solutions across 21 North American Regions, through 1000 volunteers, and with 900 plus corporate partners.
- Lead Board of Director Governance, Logistics, Committees, and Nomination Process.
- Co-led two successful capital campaigns generating over \$6.0 MM in corporate partner investment.
- As VP of Portfolio Marketing at Discover, delivered record level credit sales of \$100B and market share gains of 10% despite a recessionary consumer credit industry.
- At Quill, as VP of Channel Marketing, pioneered their internet strategy and channel for a \$1.5B US market increasing online sales from 9 to 80% of total sales.
- Gained global experience from Management Consulting role for AT Kearney throughout Asia as well as Marketing Comptroller role for Staples in the UK.

### **EXPERIENCE**

President/CEO | NextUp Chicago, IL June | 2017-May2023

Chief Marketing Officer | General Growth Properties Chicago, IL | 2014-2015

Vice President | Discover Financial Services Chicago, IL | 2007-2013

Vice President | Staples Framingham, MA | 1997-2007

Management Consultant | AT Kearney Chicago, IL | 1995-1997