

Recommendations

Marilynn Kulieke, *Former Senior Vice President for Research and Development, National Study of School Evaluation, the R and D Division of AdvancED (colleague)*
managed you

"I had the opportunity to supervise Lori during her years at the National Study of School Evaluation, the R and D division of AdvancED. Lori has a number of qualities that I would like to highlight. First, she is exceptionally detail oriented. If you give her a task, even an ill-defined task, she will research it and provide you with very detailed and technical information on how to proceed. Lori always gave her best, even when she was working in an area that she had no background. Lori is excellent in vendor relations and customer service. She has a natural way of working with people, especially technicians. She was placed in charge of managing our service agreement with both our server agent and programmers. Lori kept our spending within budget by prioritizing tasks and was known to work off-hours to make sure we would be ready for our customers. Finally, Lori works well with her colleagues. She listens to others and adjusts her thinking when ideas have merit. She will also tell you her ideas, many of which she has gathered from her own personal research. This is a valuable skill for any position that requires a group approach to problem-solving. Lori's attitudes and skills make her a well-rounded and versatile employee." *April 12, 2008*

Melinda Isaacs, *Associate Vice President, Advanced (colleague)*
managed you indirectly

"Lori is dedicated to improving educational opportunities for students through all avenues of learning. Lori demonstrates impeccable integrity in her researching methods as well as her methods of delivering information. She is able to synthesize information in a way that is useable by the audience, and always strives to address the immediate needs of her audience when presenting." *May 8, 2008*

Rosemary Jacot, *Associate Vice President for Research Services, AdvancED (colleague)*
managed you indirectly

"It has been my privilege to work with Lori Thompson for the past five years. She has always been helpful, affirmative, and professional in all her business relationships. Lori was an associate project lead for designing an online database that combined peer sharing, resources, and best practices. Her deep understanding and professional expertise moved the project to launch. Lori has used her technical experience in interfacing with application developers and hardware vendors to solve problems and bring innovative solutions to an online survey system. She has provided technical assistance to customers and created a high level of customer satisfaction. By managing the information technology needs for the office, either by coordinating outsourced vendors or solving problems on the spot, Lori has kept the office functioning and work flowing. Her ability to triage the problem situation has saved time and resources. Lori has great expertise in adult learning and creating instructional materials and resources, particularly for online applications. I would highly recommend Lori for a position that calls for creativity, innovation, instructional expertise, and attention to detail. Rosemary Jacot 630-820-0529 rosemaryjacot@gmail.com"
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