

# PETER JOHN BLANCHFIELD

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## Profile and Achievements

Renewable energy expert with broad financial and investment experience in leading successful teams to achieve success. Founder, entrepreneur, and investor in a hydroelectric power development company. Successfully raised three renewable energy funds totaling ~\$1B. CIO of a top-decile performing, \$800M endowment fund. Established the first investment office at Hamilton College.

## Experience

- Founder and Owner** June 2021– Present  
STONE RIDGE HYDRO, LLC
- Hydroelectric power development company focused on investing in run-of-river, hydroelectric dams.
  - Formed company, secured investors, evaluated 25 facilities and engaged in five acquisitions.
  - Formed Stonecat Hydro, LLC and obtained FERC Preliminary Permit for Lower Swanton Dam, VT (P15280) April 2023.
  - Led development of Lower Swanton, VT project and secured partnership with FDE Hydro, Inc. including creating a process for environmental review with US Fish and Wildlife, Vermont Department of Environmental Conservation.
- Chief Revenue Officer and CFO** April 2020 – June 2021  
HYDROLAND, INC.
- Founding investor and partner in hydroelectric power company with 13 run-of-river, hydroelectric facilities totaling 25MW.
  - Successfully led operational and financial teams in executing power market agreements, meeting environmental and regulatory demands, and securing future revenue.
  - Secured a ten-year, \$1M Energy Services Agreement (ESA) with Idaho Power Corporation for HLC's Elk Creek, ID facility.
- Executive Director** Oct 2018 – April 2020  
THE ROOT FARM - Therapeutic Equine and Recreation Center  
Sauquoit, NY
- CEO of a nonprofit agency focused on learning and healing for people of all ages and abilities.
  - Secured funding for the operation of the organization with \$20K in grants and raised over \$200k annually for an operating budget of \$800k.
- Vice President of Finance and Investor Relations** Jan 2009 – June 2017  
MAP ENERGY – Natural Gas and Renewable Energy Investment Firm  
Palo Alto, CA
- Led sourcing, identification and communication with potential investors and successfully raised a total of \$1B from endowments, foundations, family offices and high net worth individuals.
  - Built and led a highly efficient and effective four-person IR Team serving ~1,000 investors and ~2,000 LPs totaling 32,000 reports (using IntraLinks) for 15 funds with \$2B in AUM.
  - Reviewed and approved natural gas, solar and wind investments as investment committee member.
  - Organized, planned, and delivered eight successful annual meetings with over 200 attendees.
- Managing Director** Oct 2007 - Mar 2008  
EMORY UNIVERSITY  
Atlanta, GA
- Oversaw and managed equity, fixed income, and hedge fund portfolios of a \$5B fund.

**Chief Investment Officer**

Jan 2002 - Oct

2007

HAMILTON COLLEGE

Clinton, NY

- Oversaw top decile performing endowment fund: 15% five-year and a 13% ten-year return net of fees, with an increase in assets under management from \$400M to \$700M.
- Worked collaboratively with a 15+ member investment committee to complete asset manager selections, monitored and managed sector weightings, valuation metrics, and investment styles.
- Managed a venture capital and private equity portfolio that generated a 23% internal rate of return from 1997-2007, doubled alternative assets from 20% to 40% of the portfolio over seven years.
- Managed \$75M of specialized trading of distributed shares of stock and executed ~\$30M in short sales to protect gains in the fund's private equity portfolio.
- Completed a \$60M bond issuance (2002) that included selection of underwriters, analysis of insurance options, financial due diligence and executing an interest rate swap agreement – variable to fixed rate.

**Assistant Treasurer and Director of Institutional Research**

Aug 1993- Jan 2002

HAMILTON COLLEGE

- Member of investment and financial team focused on audit and endowment fund management.
- Managed financial models and forecasts of revenue and expenditures for a \$60M budget.
- Reviewed, selected, and managed investment banking relationships for the College's 1999 \$35M bond issuance.
- As member of the Higher Education Data Sharing Commission (HEDS), completed four presentations at annual meetings on endowment and financial ratio analysis, student retention, US News and World Report Rankings and Excel pivot table analysis.

**Education****Master of Science: DEPAUL UNIVERSITY**

Chicago, IL

Public Service Management

**Bachelor of Arts: FRANKLIN AND MARSHALL COLLEGE**

Lancaster, PA

Government and Classics

**Life Interests**

Volunteer/self-direction/recreational therapy for individuals with special needs:  
Treasurer and Board Member, 4Elements Studio, Inc. Utica, NY <https://www.4elementsstudio.org/>

Long-distance runner, golfer, skier, ice hockey player and beginner guitarist

Travel- India, Egypt, Yucatan, Ireland, Italy in last five years

Reading biographies, US and world history and following stand-up comedy