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PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Founder and CEO

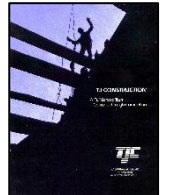
Ponta Inc. (DBA Constructionplace.com) - Moraga, CA & Honolulu, HI
1999 – Present



- Developed an innovative online platform facilitating project owners in managing construction projects and connecting with service providers for repairs, improvements, and new building ventures.
- Spearheaded green initiatives and cutting-edge technology to improve project management from concept to completion.
- Conducted pro bono construction seminars and taught construction management at California State University, Hayward, and Diablo Valley College.
- Established the business as a Service-Disabled Veteran Owned Small Business (SDVOSB).

Founder and President (RMO)

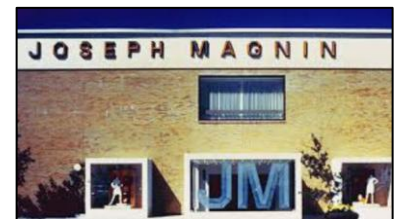
TJ Construction Co., Inc. - Moraga, CA
1983 – 1999



- Directed and completed over 600 projects, including retail store improvements, office leasehold improvements, and shopping center developments.
- Delivered roll-out projects nationwide as Prime General Contractor, offering consulting on scheduling, budgeting, and design.
- Managed a six-member team and held General Building Contractor licenses in California, Hawaii, and Washington State.

Vice President, Design and Construction

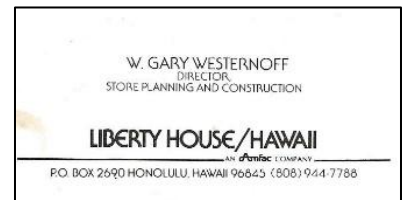
Joseph Magnin Co., Inc. - San Francisco, CA
1981 – 1983



- Directed company-wide planning, design, and construction of new and remodeled specialty stores across California and Nevada.

Director of Store Planning and Construction (RME)

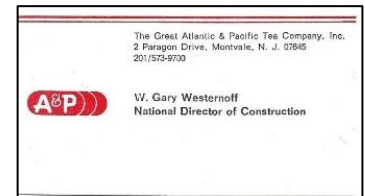
Amfac Corporation (DBA Liberty House, Inc.) - Honolulu, HI
1978 – 1981



- Established and led a new planning and construction department to oversee store renovations and new builds across Hawaii.
- Liaised with senior executives, designers, and contractors to ensure project alignment, quality, and delivery.

National Director of Construction

The Great Atlantic and Pacific Tea Company - Montvale, NJ
1977 – 1978



- Supervised eight Regional Construction Managers across the eastern U.S. and Canada.
- Oversaw contracts, disputes, and due diligence for new and remodeled projects.

National Design Manager

The Great Atlantic and Pacific Tea Company - Montvale, NJ
1975 – 1977



- Established a headquarters design office to oversee prototype store designs for 5,000 stores nationwide.
- Led a successful national rebranding initiative, implementing a new corporate logo and signage.

EDUCATION

- **Graduate Studies in Web Design and Management** - San Francisco State University (1999 – 2000)
- **Executive MBA Studies** - St. Mary's College, Moraga, CA (1990 – 1991)
- **B.A. Construction Management (DAI)** - San Francisco State University (1966 – 1968)
- **A.A. Architecture** - Laney College, Oakland, CA (1963 – 1966)

MILITARY SERVICE

- **U.S. Army** (1959 – 1962)
Military Dog Handler and Forward Observer, 1st Cavalry Division in Korea.
Honorable Discharge with commendations.

CERTIFICATIONS & LICENSES

- General Building Contractor's License (California and Hawaii)
 - Certificate in Architectural Drafting – Laney College, Oakland, California
 - 2nd Degree Black Belt, Shito-Ryu Karate
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GROUPS & ASSOCIATIONS

- **Korea Defense Veterans Association** (2025 – Present) Member
 - **Aloha Shiners, Honolulu Shrine Club** (2025 – Present) Vice President
 - **Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW)**, Hawaii Post 1540, Honolulu, Hawaii (2019 – Present) Past Commander (All American Post), currently Service Officer
 - **San Francisco State University Alumni Association** (Life Member)
 - **Aloha Shriners Honolulu, Hawaii Legion of Honor** (2007 – Present)
 - **U.S. Army 1st Cavalry Division Association** (Life Member)
 - **Lamorinda Sunrise Rotary Club**, Lafayette, California (1992– Present) Past President and Paul Harris Fellow
 - **Freemasons, Island City Lodge 215**, Alameda, California (1965 – Present)
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PUBLICATIONS

- *Construction Management Made Easy* (1998) – Self-help guide on construction project management.



- *Construction Like Sushi* (2011) – Reference guide blending construction management tips and sushi-making.