# ADRIAN-KEITH BENNETT

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## SUMMARY

Solution-oriented leader with a decade of professional project and program management experience successfully delivering capital construction projects and facilities management services. My excellent interpersonal, verbal, and written communication skills and extensive leadership experience and have allowed me to lead teams on a diverse array of projects, buildouts, renovations, rehabilitations, and maintenance/service projects for commercial, Fortune 50, federal, municipal, and institutional clients with a resurgent Detroit as the backdrop.

## **EXPERIENCE**

## **Principal**

Benkari, LLC | Detroit, MI

May 2023-Present

- Directs daily operations of Plumbing Construction, Plumbing Service, and Vac divisions by managing direct report division field leaders, coaching and developing staff, overseeing and reviewing estimates/pricing, crafting major proposals, and maintaining our strong positive company culture
- Led negotiating and integration planning for the asset-only acquisition of LP Industries, Ltd. to establish our Vac division and diversify and expand our self-perform capabilities and services
- Increased Target, Inc. plumbing services account by 127% capturing entire Southeast Michigan market
- Successfully advanced from serving as the secondary/backup plumbing maintenance contractor for Jones Lang Lasalle American Axle Manufacturing (AAM) account to primary within one year of onboarding

## **Construction Project Manager**

Benkari, LLC | Detroit, MI

April 2016-Present

- Michigan Central Station-Ford Motor Company
  - O Phase I Scope: Managed design-build process to provide assessment of eighteenstory historic train station which had been vacant for 30 years and installation of temporary plumbing systems that removed 2M+ gallons of water from basements, minimized water infiltration, and supported construction.
  - Phase II Scope: Core & Shell Renovation: Complete plumbing for the top sixteen floors of project and in-wall and finish plumbing for bottom two floors of building
- General Services Administration-985 Michigan Building Modernization
  - o Project Scope: Five-year renovation of occupied 10-story, 866,000 sf federal facility
- Eastern Michigan University Downing Hall Renovation
  - Project Scope: Renovation of residence hall including significant additional repiping work found necessary mid-project that doubled total contract value
- One Campus Martius Infill and Renovation Buildouts
  - Project Scope: Three-year program to build out office space throughout seven floors of new building addition and renovate office space on six floors within original building that remained occupied throughout construction
- The Freelon at Sugar Hill
  - Project Scope: New construction of 68-unit mixed-use building with parking garage
- University Meadows
  - o Project Scope: Renovation of occupied 54-unit senior living facility
- Anthony Wayne Apartments
  - Project Scope: New construction of 120-unit mixed use building

## Facilities Services Project Manager

Benkari, LLC | Detroit, MI April 2016-Present

- Target, Inc
- City of Detroit
- Jones Lang LaSalle
- Wayne County

## Associate Project Manager

Benkari, LLC | Detroit, MI April 2013-March 2016

- Little Caesars Arena
- Detroit People Mover Plumbing Maintenance Contract
- Goodwill Industries of Detroit North End Welcome Center

#### **EDUCATION**

## Master of Construction Engineering Management

Lawrence Technological University | Southfield, MI May 2021

# Graduate Certificate, Integrated Project Delivery

Lawrence Technological University | Southfield, MI May 2015

# Bachelor of Arts, Philosophy

Nova Southeastern University | Fort Lauderdale, FL May 2012

## Bachelor of Science, Legal Studies

Nova Southeastern University | Fort Lauderdale, FL May 2012

## LEADERSHIP & INVOLVEMENT

## Associated General Contractors of America (AGC)

Vice Chair | Specialty Contractors Committee (SCC) March 2024-Present

Incoming 2026-2028 SCC Chair and AGC of America Board Member

#### **City Planning Commission**

Planning Commissioner | Detroit, MI April 2024-Present

## Associated General Contractors of Michigan

Future Construction Leaders Program Graduate February 2018-February 2019

## City Council President Skilled Trades Task Force

Plumbing Contractor Representative | Detroit, MI March 2016-October 2019

#### **Detroit Economic Club**

Young Leader Program | Detroit, MI September 2014-May 2017

## DEVELOPMENT EXPERIENCE

# Avery Street Development

Project Manager | Detroit, MI August 2017-February 2021

Project manager for life cycle of ground-up construction of new single-family personal residence in Detroit including land acquisition, zoning variance issues, procurement, utility coordination, project budget, and oversight of design and construction. Per the City Clerk's office, this was the first completed new-build single-family home developed by its end user in Detroit, Michigan in over fifteen years.