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Christine J. Spadafor is president, chief executive officer and founder of SpadaforClay Group Inc., a global consulting firm.

She has a proven track record of optimizing performance through leadership of enterprise-wide

strategy development, operational improvements, and corporate restructurings in small to large companies. An accomplished executive, Ms. Spadafor also serves on the board of directors of Boyd Gaming Corporation, a NYSE publicly traded company.

Ms. Spadafor has held various positions throughout her career. She was a partner in three international management consulting firms, is a registered nurse and published author, was a corporate attorney, and served as an advisor on environmental issues for the United Nations in China. In 2008, The Business Law Section of the American Bar Association named Ms. Spadafor as one of the top 20 U.S. female attorneys with exceptional business expertise.

Currently, Ms. Spadafor serves as chief executive officer of St. Jude's Ranch for Children, a nonprofit in Boulder City, Nev., serving abused, abandoned and homeless children. Under her leadership, the Ranch achieved a remarkable financial and operational turnaround after nearing bankruptcy and was selected as Nonprofit of the Year 2012-2013 by the Southern Nevada Business Press. The Ranch's turnaround story developed into a case study co-authored by Ms. Spadafor and is taught in the MBA curriculum at Tuck School of Business at Dartmouth College, where Ms. Spadafor participates in the Alan Smith Visiting Executive Program in the Entrepreneurship in the Social Sector and Strategic Leadership programs.

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