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EMPLOYMENT

- 2008 – Present President, University of Colorado and Executive in Residence and Professional Attendant at Business School at University of Colorado Denver.
- 1965 – Present Owner and Chairman, Benson Mineral Group, Inc., an oil and gas exploration and production company. The Company also is now or has been involved in real estate (development and management), banking, mortgage servicing, cable television, real estate investment trusts, pizza franchises, restaurants, manufacturing, trucking and geothermal power.

CORPORATE INVOLVEMENT

- United States Exploration, Inc. (AMEX)
 - Chairman of the Board of Directors, CEO and President, 1997-2004
- American Land Lease Corporation (NYSE)
 - Board of Directors, 2000-2009
 - Chairman of Compensation Committee, 2000-2009
- Asset Investors Corporation (NYSE)
 - Chairman of Compensation Committee, 1996-2000
 - Board of Directors, 1992-1994; 1996-2000
- Commercial Assets, Inc. (AMEX)
 - Board of Directors, 1996-2000
- LyncStar Integrated Communications, LLC
 - Chairman & Board of Directors, 1996-2000
- Peak Interests, LLC, Board of Directors, 1995-2003
- Jones Lightwave of Denver, Inc., Board of Directors, 1994
- Field Investment Corporation, Board of Directors, 1991-1994
- Colorado National Bank-FBS, Advisory Board, 1993-1994
- Central Bank-FBS, Advisory Board, 1993
- Bank Western, Board of Directors, 1991-1993
- Western Capital Investment Corporation, Bank Western, Board of Directors, 1991-1993 (AMEX)
- First Interstate Bank of Denver, Board of Directors, 1989-1991
- ServiSystems, Inc., Virginia, Board of Directors, 1989
- Hazen Research, Inc., Board of Directors, 1976-1986

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

- Fitzsimons Redevelopment Authority Board
 - Board Member 2009 - Present
- University of Colorado Hospital Board
 - Board Member 2008 - Present
- University of Colorado Foundation
 - Board Member 2008 - Present
- University of Colorado Real Estate Foundation
 - Board Member 2008 - Present
- Colorado Legacy Foundation
 - Honorary Trustee, 2008
- Denver Metro Chamber
 - Board, 2008
- Denver Public Schools
 - Board Elections (3 races), 2007
 - Denver Public Schools Pay for Performance Campaign, Finance Chair, 2005
 - Citizens for Denver Public Schools, Bond Issue and Mil Levy Campaign Finance Chair, 2003
- A+ Denver
 - Steering Committee, Denver Public Schools, 2006 - 2008
 - Finance and Facilities Subcommittee, 2006 - 2008
- Denver Public Schools Foundation
 - Chairman, 2002-2008
- City of Denver Infrastructure Priorities Task Force, 2006-2007
 - Executive Committee
 - Bond Issues and Mil Levy, Co-Chair, 2007
- P-20 Education Coordinating Council, Co-Chair, 2007 – 2008
- The Metropolitan State College of Denver Foundation
 - Trustee Emeritus, 2007 – Present
 - Foundation Board Member, 2003-2007
- The Metropolitan State College of Denver
 - Chairman, Board of Trustees, 2002-2007
- Young Americans Center for Financial Education, Mentor, 2006
- Center of the American West, University of Colorado Boulder
 - Board Member, 2006-2008
- Colorado Economic Recovery Act, (Referendum C & D) Co-Chair, 2005
- Treasurer's Commission to Strengthen & Secure PERA, Member, 2005
- National Park Foundation, Board of Directors, 2003-2005
- NATO Defense Ministers Meeting, Co-Chair/Host Committee (Colorado Springs), 2003
- The Auraria Higher Education Center
 - Board of Trustees, 2002-2003
- Governor's Blue Ribbon Panel for Higher Education for the 21st Century
 - Chairman, 2001-2003
- Coleman Colorado Foundation - Institute for Cognitive Disabilities
 - Director, 2001-2008
- Institute for Effective Governance – Washington, D.C.

- Advisory Board Member, 2001-2008
- University of Colorado Four-Campus \$1 Billion Comprehensive Fund-Raising Campaign, National Chairman, 1997-2003
- Arthritis Foundation Dinner
 - Chairman, 1997
- Colorado Council of Steadman-Hawkins Sports Medicine Foundation
 - Member, 1996-1998
- Denver Zoological Foundation
 - Co-Chair Capital Campaign, 2006 - 2008
 - Honorary Life Trustee, 2004-present
 - Board of Trustees, 1993-2004
 - Chairman or President, 1997-2001
 - Executive Vice President, 1994-1996
- National Sports Center for the Disabled, 1993-1996
- Denver Botanic Gardens, Board of Trustees, 1993-1995
- Safe City Foundation - Denver
 - Founding Co-Chairman, 1993-1994
- The Denver Club, Board of Directors, 1993-1994
- University of Denver, Strategic Initiatives Committee, 1993
- Alexis de Tocqueville Society, 1993-2002
- Colorado Concern, 1993-1994, 2005-2007, 2009-present
- George Bush Presidential Library Center
 - Board of Trustees, 1993-present
- Colorado UpLIFT
 - Trustee, 1993-present
- Confrerie des Chevaliers du Tastevin Sous-Commanderier de Denver, 1992-2006
- Denver Museum of Natural History
 - Development Committee, 1993-1995
 - Prehistoric Journey Campaign Steering Committee, 1992-1993
- University of Colorado, Meeting the Mission: CU 2000 Strategy Team, 1992-1996
- Mayor's Business Council - Denver, 1992-2003
- National Academy of Sciences and the Institute of Medicine
 - The Presidents' Circle, Member, 1992-1996
- Up With People, Colorado Leadership Committee, 1992-1994
- The Two Percent Club, 1991-present
- Independence Institute, Board of Trustees, 1991-1994
- University of Colorado Foundation
 - Board of Directors, 1990-1996
 - Chairman, Geology Department \$14 million Building Fund Drive
 - Member, CU Foundation Development Cabinet, 1992-1995
- National Endowment for the Humanities
 - Public Member (U.S. Senate Confirmation), 1990-1997
- University of Colorado President's Council, Member, 1990-1994
- Colorado Campaign Finance Reform Commission, Member, 1990
- President's Commission on White House Fellowships
 - Regional Panelist, 1989, 1990, 1991
 - Chairman, Rocky Mountain Regional Selection Panel, 1991
- Smith College, Massachusetts

- Board of Trustees, 1990-1995
- Parents' Advisory Council, 1988-1991
- Big Brothers, Honorary Board Member, 1987-1990
- Denver Entrepreneurship Academy, Advisory Committee, 1986-1990
- Colorado Academy, Trustee, 1986-1987
- Boy Scouts of America, Denver Area Council
 - Trustee, 1986-present
 - Chairman, 1995-1997
 - President, 1993-1995
 - Boy Scouts of America, Western Region, Vice President, 1995-1998
 - Chairman, Scout Executive Selection Committee, 1993
 - Executive Vice President-Endowment, 1992-1993
 - Chairman, Investment Committee, 1990-1993
- Colorado Commission on Higher Education
 - Chairman, 1986-1989
 - Commissioner, 1985-1989
- Colorado Association of Commerce and Industry - Blueprint for Colorado
 - Chairman, Higher Education Task Force, 1986-1987
- Auraria Foundation
 - Chairman, 1984-1985
 - Board of Directors, 1982-1985
- Berkshire School, Massachusetts, Board of Trustees, 1978 - present
 - Trustee Emeritus, 1996-present
 - President, 1984-1994
 - Trustee, 1978-1996
- Beaver Brook Water Consumers Association, Board of Directors, 1978-1986

POLITICAL INVOLVEMENT

- Romney for President – National Co-Chair, 2007 - 2008
- Romney for President Colorado, Chairman (Finance & Political), 2007
- 55th Presidential Inaugural Celebration – Steering Committee 2004-2005
- Pete Coors for US Senate
 - Campaign Chairman, 2004
- Republican National Committee, Victory 2004 Campaign
 - Colorado Chairman, 2004
- Bush-Cheney Re-election Campaign
 - Colorado Finance Chairman, 2003-2004
- Campbell for US Senate
 - Campaign Chairman, 2003-2004
- Allard for US Senate
 - Finance Chairman, 2001-2002
- Owens for Governor
 - Finance Co-Chairman, 2000- 2002
- Bush-Cheney Transition Advisory Committee
 - Member, 2000
- Business Industry Political Action Committee
 - Board of Directors, 1996-1998

- Americans Back in Charge
 - Chairman, 1995-1997
- Wilson for President, 1995
 - Political Chairman, Colorado Campaign
 - Regional Finance Chairman (23 states)
- Republican Nominee for Governor of Colorado, 1994
- Republican National Convention, 1992
 - Chairman: Committee on Resolutions; Committee on Contests; Colo. Delegation
- Bush-Quayle Presidential Campaign, 1992
 - Chairman, Colorado Campaign
- Bush-Quayle National Finance Committee, 1992
 - National Regional Chairman, covering seven western states
- Western States Chairmen's Association, Republican National Committee
 - Chairman, 1991-1993
- International Republican Institute
 - Board of Directors, Member, 1990-1995
 - Chairman, President Search Committee, 1990-1991
- Official Election Observer, Romania, 1990; Hungary, 1990
- Colorado Energy Resources Political Action Committee
 - Board of Directors, 1990
- Colorado Presidential Transition Advisory Committee
 - Chairman, 1988-1992
- Presidential Elector, 1988
- Colorado Republican Party
 - Chairman, 1987-1993, 2002-2003
 - Chairman, Finance Committee, 1986-1987
- Republican Committeeman, 1980-1986

HONORS

- Denver Zoo – Bruce D. Benson Predator Ridge Exhibit, dedicated May 2012
- Colorado Business Hall of Fame, Laureates Award, 2009
- Denver Business Journal, Power Book Award; Nonprofits and Foundations Category, 2008
- Colorado I Have A Dream Foundation, Roastee, 2006
- University of Colorado, Honorary Degree, Doctor of Humane Letters, 2004
- University of Colorado, Ira C. Rothgerber Award, 2003 (1 of 2 awards ever given)
- Metropolitan State College of Denver, Commencement Speaker, 2002
- University of Colorado at Boulder, Alumni Association's Recognition Award, 2001
- Honorary Police Captain, Denver, 2001
- Independence Institute, David S. D'Evelyn Award for Inspired Leadership, 1999
- Arthritis Foundation Humanitarian Award, 1999
- University of Colorado, University Medal, 1999
- Berkshire School, Distinguished Alumnus Award, 1997
- University of Colorado, Benson Earth Sciences Building, 1997
- Boy Scouts of America – Silver Beaver Award, 1996
- Berkshire School, Benson Commons Building (Student Center), 1992
- ARCS Foundation, Inc., Man of the Year, 1991
- Adams State College, Distinguished Executive in Business, 1989

EDUCATION

1964-1965 University of Colorado Graduate School – Geology
University of Colorado – Graduate Teaching Assistant
Colorado School of Mines – Graduate Courses
1961-1964 University of Colorado, BA – Geology
1961 Cornell University – Transferred to University of Colorado

PERSONAL

- Married to Marcy Head Benson
- Three Children and Ten Grandchildren