

Board Resume Guide

Essential tips for a well-crafted Board resume

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A well-crafted Board resume is essential for Directors seeking new Board roles. It serves as a strategic document that highlights your governance experience, skills, and the unique value you bring to a Board. Whether you are an aspiring or seasoned Director, having a tailored Board resume can set you apart in a competitive landscape.

Importantly, this work needs to be done before reaching out to executive recruiters or activating your network. If you feel you need support in refining your resume or pitch, we strongly encourage engaging a qualified executive or career coach who specialises in Board readiness. Your network and executive search partners are not coaching resources - they are your strategic channels to market. Using them for coaching is a missed opportunity to leverage their value as collaborators in identifying and securing the right opportunities.

Comparison Table: Seasoned vs. Aspiring Director Templates

Aspect	Seasoned Director	Aspiring Director	Rationale
	Template	Template	
Personal Statement	Highlights extensive	Emphasises	Tailors the narrative
	governance	eagerness and	to the candidate's
	experience	commitment to	level of experience
		governance	
Strategic Alignment	Demonstrates	Shows ability to	Reflects the
& Value	alignment with	bring fresh	candidate's ability
	strategic priorities	perspectives	to contribute to
			Board discussions
Board Experience	Lists multiple Board	Not included	Seasoned Directors
	roles and		have relevant Board
	committee positions		experience to
	·		showcase
Professional	Senior executive	Managerial and	Matches the
Experience	roles	consultancy roles	candidate's career
•		,	level and relevant
			experience
Skills & Expertise	Comprehensive list	Similar list	Both templates
	of governance skills		highlight key
			governance skills
Board Role Interests	Specifies sectors	Specifies sectors	Helps recruiters
	and types of Boards	and types of Boards	understand the
			candidate's
			preferences
Portfolio Career	Overview of current	Not included	Relevant for
Overview	Board positions		seasoned Directors
			managing multiple
			roles
Governance	Available on request	Available on	Adds credibility and
Referees	·	request	readiness for
		,	reference checks
Board Visibility &	Highlights speaking	Highlights	Demonstrates
Thought Leadership	engagements and	participation in	influence and
·	publications	events and forums	engagement in
	,		governance circles
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1. Board Resume Template - Seasoned Director

Personal Information & Statement

Name: Jane Doe

Contact Information: jane.doe@example.com | +61 123 456 789

LinkedIn: linkedin.com/in/janedoe

Experienced Board Director with extensive governance experience across multiple sectors. Proven track record in strategic oversight, risk management, and stakeholder engagement.

Strategic Alignment & Board Value

Aligns with strategic priorities such as digital transformation, ESG, and risk governance. Brings deep industry expertise and a collaborative leadership style.

Prior Board Experience

- Director, XYZ Corporation (2015-Present)
- Chair, Audit Committee, ABC Ltd (2012-2018)
- Non-Executive Director, DEF Inc (2010-2015)

Professional Executive Experience

- CEO, GHI Enterprises (2005-2015)
- CFO, JKL Group (2000-2005)

Skills & Expertise

- Governance
- Risk Management
- Strategic Planning
- Financial Oversight
- ESG

Board Role Interests

Interested in roles within the technology, finance, and healthcare sectors. Open to both fiduciary and advisory Board positions.

Portfolio Career Overview

Currently serving on multiple Boards, balancing governance responsibilities with consultancy work.

Governance Referees

Available on request.

Board Visibility & Thought Leadership

Regular speaker at industry conferences, published articles on governance best practices, active member of AICD.



2. Board Resume Template - Aspiring Director

Personal Information & Statement

Name: Jane Doe

Contact Information: jane.doe@example.com | +61 123 456 789

LinkedIn: linkedin.com/in/janedoe

Aspiring Board Director with a strong commitment to governance and a passion for strategic oversight. Eager to contribute fresh perspectives and innovative solutions to Board discussions.

Strategic Alignment & Board Value

Brings a unique blend of industry knowledge and functional expertise. Ready to support Boards in areas such as digital transformation and ESG.

Professional Executive Experience

- Senior Manager, MNO Corporation (2015-Present)
- Consultant, PQR Consulting (2010-2015)

Skills & Expertise

- Governance
- Risk Management
- Strategic Planning
- Financial Oversight
- ESG

Board Role Interests

Interested in roles within the technology, finance, and healthcare sectors. Open to both fiduciary and advisory Board positions.

Governance Referees

Available on request.

Board Visibility & Thought Leadership

Active participant in industry events and forums, committed to continuous learning and professional development.



In Summary - Tips for Tailoring Your Board Resume

Ш	Highlight Relevant Experience : Focus on governance roles, committee positions, and
	strategic projects.
	Customise for Each Role: Tailor your resume to align with the specific Board's needs
	and priorities.
	Showcase Thought Leadership: Include speaking engagements, publications, and
	contributions to governance forums.
	Use Keywords: Incorporate industry-specific and governance-related keywords to
	pass through applicant tracking systems.
	Keep It Concise: Aim for a one-page summary that captures your value proposition
	effectively.
	Include Referees: Provide governance referees who can vouch for your Board
	capabilities.
	Contact Details: Provide your mobile, email & LinkedIn details
	Proofread : Ensure your resume is free from errors and professionally formatted.