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Professional Biography

Ben currently serves as a project manager on transportation infrastructure projects for Burns & McDonnell, a 100% employee-owned, multi-national engineering, architecture, and construction company headquartered in Kansas City. He also provides leadership to regional sales and marketing efforts for the Transportation practice. He joined Burns & McDonnell after graduating in 2007 from Kansas State University with a Bachelor of Science in Civil Engineering and started as a structural engineer focused on oil, gas, chemical, and manufacturing projects. In addition to designing structures and foundations, he spent extensive time in the field observing, inspecting, and facilitating construction activities as quality manager on a \$400 million power plant retrofit project. Ben also served as a project engineer on a \$100 million manufacturing facility upgrade project where he gained experience coordinating multi-discipline project teams across multiple locations. Along the way, he earned both licensure (Civil Engineer in Kansas) and a Master of Science in Engineering Management from the other university in Kansas. In his current role, He provides business consulting, change management, and strategic communication services for surface transportation projects and clients across the country including municipalities, corporations, departments of transportation, and national organizations. He is also responsible for coordinating and managing project cost, schedule, and quality across various departments involved in a project. He is a member of ACEC Missouri's Alternative Project Delivery Forum and a 2022 graduate of Leadership Overland Park (KS).

Personal Biography

Ben and his wife, Emily (also a civil engineer at Burns & McDonnell), enjoy cheering on K-State and Kansas City sports teams, watching crime dramas, and traveling. On the weekends, they can be found chasing their three kids, Libby (10), Caleb (6), and Luke (4), around the playground, chauffeuring them between activities, or enjoying family bike rides.