



# BIO

## **William F. Slater, III, PMP**

Mr. Slater is a Senior IT Project Manager, Program Manager and senior IT consultant who lives in Chicago and works in the Chicago area. He is presently working as the project lead on an ISO 27001-based ISMS project. Prior to this engagement, for just over one year, he was the Project Manager of a 14-person enterprise IT infrastructure security project team at the Department of Veterans Affairs in Hines, IL.

### ***Summary***

Mr. Slater's career has been characterized by both professional excellence and high quality work performance. He leads by example and is a results-oriented, people-oriented technical manager who can effectively build, lead, and motivate high performance teams. He has a coaching-mentoring style of leadership. Mr. Slater has worked in some of the world's most demanding IT environments; among these are British Petroleum, the U. S. Department of Veterans Affairs, Microsoft, Technisource, and the United States Air Force. Each of these environments presented unique, high-pressure, high-visibility challenges that not only required intelligence, skills, experience and integrity, but they were demanding in ways that required creativity, adaptability and flexibility. Mr. Slater possesses exceptional technical and leadership skills, and is a well-rounded IT professional who can quickly adapt to and add great value to any organization.

## ***Career Goal***

Mr. Slater is an experienced Senior IT Project Manager with a goal to become a Director or a CIO. He is also available for project work or full-time work in Data Centers, other IT infrastructure, IT Security and/or Systems Development. Mr. Slater will be instrumental in helping any organization maintain a strategic, competitive edge by providing excellent leadership and driving excellent performance in the teams, projects, and services he manages. This position should be challenging, provide project and/or program leadership opportunity, additional opportunities for growth, and be recognized as making a vital contribution to the organization.

## ***From the Beginning... Then Launching of an Exciting IT Career***

Mr. Slater was born and raised in Memphis, Tennessee. He graduated from Memphis State University (now renamed the University of Memphis) with a B.S. degree in Engineering Technology and a major in Computer Systems Technology. Two months later, he entered active duty in the U.S. Air Force as a computer systems staff officer providing programming and technical support in command control communications applications for the Strategic Air Command Battle Staff in Offutt AFB, NE. After serving in the U.S. Air Force, he began his civilian career IT. Since that time, he has worked as a programmer, a database administrator, a network support and management person, a desktop support person, a system administrator, a data center manager, a project manager, a program manager, a services engineer, a technical writer, a pre-sales support engineer, a post-sales support engineer, and an IT security specialist.

Mr. Slater's IT Career web page succinctly tells the story of his IT Career: <http://billslater.com/career>.

## ***Career Description***

Mr. Slater's career has been characterized by both professional excellence and high quality work performance in the positions where he has worked. He is also a results-oriented, people-oriented technical manager who can build and lead high performance Teams. Outside work, he has always been involved in professional self-development, and in the pursuit of IT Industry education and professional career achievements.

## ***CSSS.NET - on an ITIL Implementation Project at the 561st Network Operations Squadron***

From September 2009 – January 2010, Mr. Slater worked again for CSSS.NET, managing a Team of 12 analysts on Services Management Implementation Project using best practices from the Information Technology Infrastructure Library (ITIL) at Peterson Air Force Base, Colorado. It was the largest ITIL Implementation project in the world at this time.

## ***Technisource***

From November 2008 – March 2009, he managed a large Data Center migration project for large international manufacturing company which involved a significant in-sourcing initiative where servers were being migrated from an out-sourced facility to a brand new in-house Data Center facility. During this project, he managed the construction of the new facility as well as the migration of servers, applications and IT equipment from the out-sourced facility into the new facility and brought this project in 13 months ahead of schedule, saving the customer over \$5 million.

## ***Microsoft***

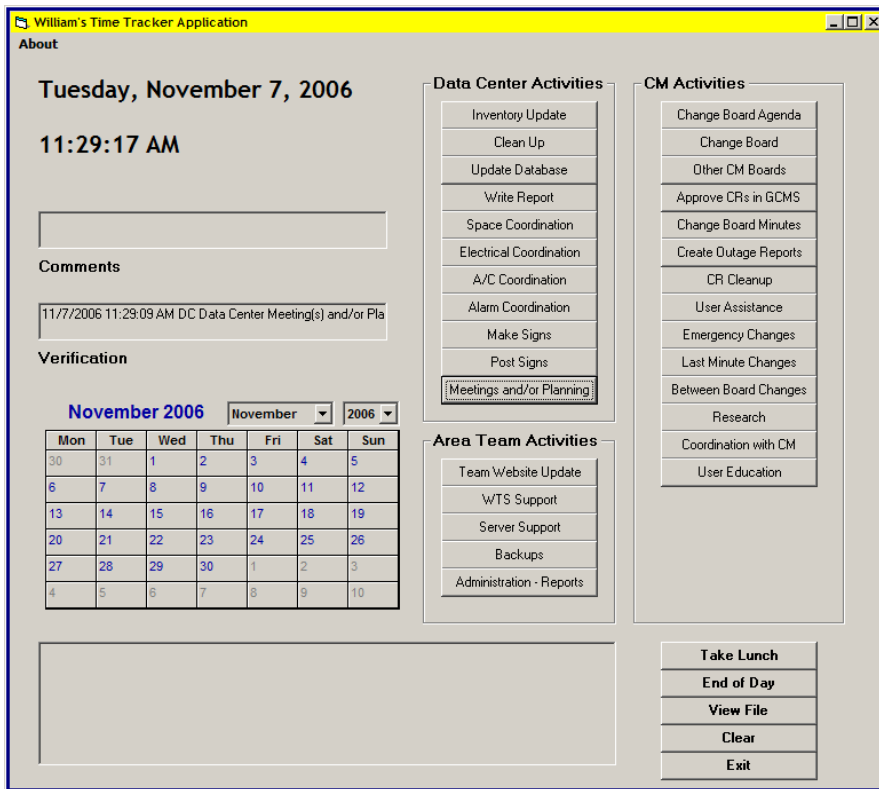
From March 2008 to October 2008, Mr. Slater worked in Northlake, IL, a suburb of Chicago, managing the Microsoft Chicago Data Center and a 22-person staff. This Chicago Data Center is one of the five largest Data Centers in the world, housing well over 600,000 servers with a maximum capacity electrical power consumption of 120 MW. (This amount of electricity could power 87,000 homes.)

## ***Program Management at the VA***

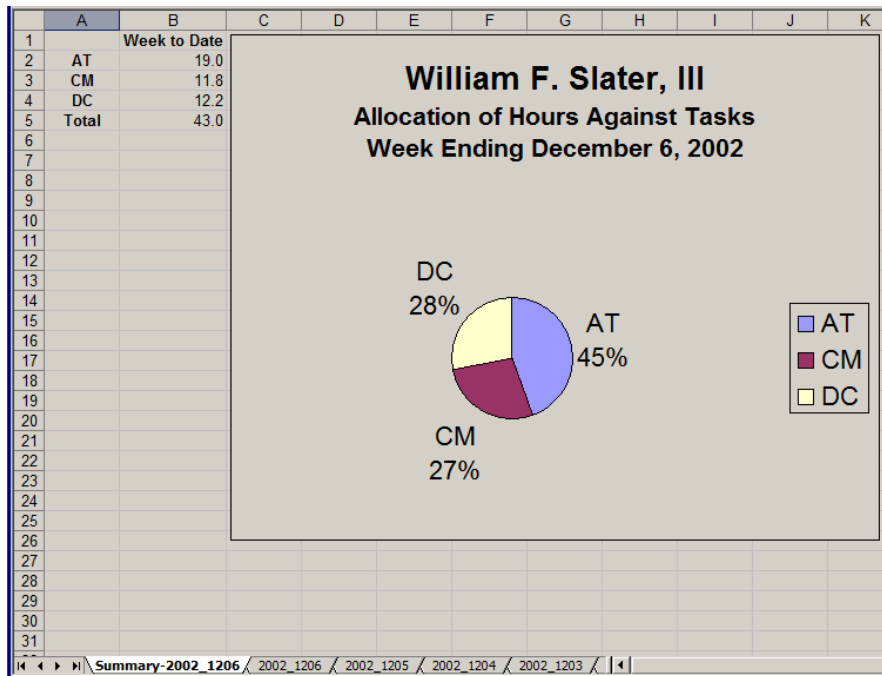
From November 2006 – March 2008, Mr. Slater worked for CSSS.NET, working as a Program Manager for the Hines VA Office of Information Field Office – Enterprise Technology Management in Hines, IL. There, he managed 21 contractors who support servers running MS Exchange 2003 and Blackberry messaging server software. The daily electronic messaging needs of over 300,000 VA users are supported by this complex messaging infrastructure and this elite team of system administrators, on a three shift, 24 x 7 x 365 basis.

**BP**

Between May 2001 and November 2006 he worked two different large consulting firms, delivering technical services and managing Data Center facilities for BP. The main Data Center he managed at BP Naperville was BP's third largest Data Center in the world. While at BP, Mr. Slater was also a Change Management manager for over four years, and for nearly two years, he was also as a system administrator, and at one point, he used his technical skills to design and develop a customized Time Tracker program using Visual Basic for the purpose of being able to accurately track the vast amount of tasks and task changes he was doing every day as he did three jobs. A screen shot of the Time Tracker program user interface as well as a screen its summarized output are both shown below:



Time Tracker User Interface



Time Tracker Data Summary Output in Excel

### ***Completed an M.S. in Computer Information Systems and an MBA***

Between January 2003 and October 2004, Mr. Slater completed an M.S. degree in Computer Information Systems at the University of Phoenix in their online program. You can view the voluntary website he created to describe his participation in that program along with interesting representative examples of work from each of his classes at <http://billslater.com/uop>.

Between April 2009 and October 2010, he completed an MBA graduate program with the University of Phoenix and will soon complete a website that will chronicle that experience. That website will be located at <http://billslater.com/uopmba>.

### ***Teaching and Mentoring - Making the World a Better Place***

Mr. Slater is also trying hard every day to make the world a better place. From 2000 – 2002, he taught technical web development and programming courses at the Illinois Institute of Technology, and in 2010, Mr. Slater returned to the Illinois Institute of Technology as an adjunct professor to teach sources in their

new Clouding Computing Program. The first course he is teaching in this program is Data Center Architecture. From 2005 – 2008, he taught classes at the Computer Systems Institute (based in Skokie, IL, Chicago, and Lombard, IL) in Project Management (PMI PMBOK), Oracle application development, .NET Development, SQL Server, CISSP (IT Security), MCSE, and Java. Many of his students have earned Microsoft certifications and seven of his PMP students have earned their PMP certification. Mr. Slater also conducts a free career mentoring program under the auspices of the Chicago Chapter of the Internet Society, and you can visit <http://billslater.com/mentoring> to learn more about this program.

### ***Professional Certifications***

Mr. Slater is possesses over 60 professional certifications, including PMP, MCSE, MCITP, CISA, and CISSP, and he is also activity working on these: the CEH, the CEHFI, and certifications in Java Development and Oracle database administration. Between January 2006 and March 2008, Mr. Slater completed a the Data Center Technology program at Marist College becoming the 20<sup>th</sup> person to earn the prestigious Certified Data Center Professional (CDCP) certification. His certifications can be viewed at <http://billslater.com/certifications/>.

### ***World's First Article Advocating NT as a Client Desktop***

When he worked at Digital Equipment Corporation from 1990 - 1994, he wrote the world's first article, published in November 1993, advocating the use of Windows NT as a robust, secure, compatible desktop operating system for a client/server configuration. In June 1993, he was among the first 100 people in the world to become an MCP in Windows NT, with an MCP number of 3585.

### ***Mr. Slater's Personal Life***

Mr. Slater lives in Chicago with his lovely Polish wife and best friend, Warsaw native Ms. Joanna Roguska, along with many networked computers, routers, and switches, and over 10,000 books, of which, about 85% are related to various information technologies. Mr. Slater's hobbies include reading, music, writing, chess, and keeping up with information technology. He is also a black belt and certified instructor in the Japanese sport and martial art of Kodokan Judo. Mr. Slater and Ms. Roguska married on December

3, 2000, and she is the light of his life. In keeping a promise that he made when he married in December 2000, Mr. Slater has traveled annually to Poland 11 consecutive times for the Christmas and New Year's Holidays and will again be traveling to Warsaw for the Christmas 2011 season.

### ***Founder and President - ISOC-Chicago***

Mr. Slater is also co-founder and current president of the Chicago Chapter of the Internet Society ([www.isoc-chicago.org](http://www.isoc-chicago.org)). The Internet Society is an international organization based in northern Virginia, which publishes the RFC standards created by the Internet Engineering Task Force (IETF). These are the standards that pretty much have helped create, manage and run the Internet.

### ***Mr. Slater is ACCESSIBLE***

You may read even more about Mr. Slater at his website at <http://billslater.com>, or by going to Google and typing in this string: "William F. Slater, III." He can be reached by e-mail at [slater@billslater.com](mailto:slater@billslater.com), by phone at 773-235-3080 or at 312-758-0307., and he loves being contacted. Give a call or send him an e-mail.

