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# Carmen Korleski

**Director of Hospitality Operations, TAWANI Enterprises**

**Area of Expertise**

* Budgeting
* Development of policies and procedures
* Energy Efficiency
* Guest satisfaction
* Hospitality operations
* Human resources
* Strategic planning
* Training

**Biography**

Carmen Korleski is the director of hospitality operations for TAWANI Enterprises where she manages all of the properties under the Stone Heritage Collection, a luxury group of historic bed & breakfast properties and unique event spaces under TAWANI. As director of hospitality operations, Korleski coordinates, supervises and directs all aspects of the operation with the support of co-owners and innkeepers at each location. She also ensures all financial, service standards and employee relation goals are met.

Before joining TAWANI, Korleski was the vice president and secretary of the Church Street Station Condominium Association, where she worked with the board of directors to evaluate, approve and manage all building repair and improvement projects. She also served on the operations committee for the association; evaluating energy efficiency programs, including the assessment of vehicle charging stations in the condominium garage.

Korleski was the co-founder and president of the Northeast Environmental Enforcement Training Fund, Inc. which served environmental enforcement professionals from 14 states and provinces in Canada. She was responsible for fundraising, grant writing and managing a diverse portfolio of assets. Korleski was primarily responsible for establishing the first board of directors and worked continuously on partnership development. Among her many successes, Korleski partnered with the Northeast Environmental Enforcement Project (NEEP) to fund comprehensive training programs throughout areas of the Northeast and Midwest. Before this, she served as the executive director of NEEP, directing and hosting membership conferences for managers and faculty throughout the northeastern United States. Korleski was responsible for updating curricula for all of the training courses, establishing new advanced courses for experienced personnel and designing a Train the Trainer class for faculty, which became a national model and continues to be delivered to faculty in the 50 states. She also wrote and administered grants for cross-border training of Canadian and United States customs agents and environmental officers. Korleski started her career as a strategic planning section chief with the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection.

Korleski has a Bachelor of Arts degree in environmental, urban and geographic studies from Montclair State University, and completed an internship with the United States Coast Guard. She is a member of the Women’s Club of Evanston, where she received the 2014 Above and Beyond Award, which is presented to a new club member who has gone above and beyond in committee responsibilities throughout the year. She was also co-chairman of the 2015 Spring Benefit, which raised over $100,000 for The Harbour, a haven for teens on Chicago’s North Shore.

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**About TAWANI Enterprises, Inc.**

TAWANI Enterprises, Inc. headquartered in Chicago, is an investment group specializing in the development, investment, management and preservation of real estate properties in the Chicago area. The company represents a diversified portfolio of iconic brands, such as [Stone Heritage Collection](http://stoneheritageproperties.com/), a luxury group of historic Bed & Breakfast properties and unique event spaces, the Pritzker Military Museum & Library, the TAWANI Foundation and the Pritzker Military Foundation. Properties under the Stone Heritage Collection includes Stone Terrace, Stone Porch by the Lake, Lang House, The Emil Bach House, Mayne Stage and The Lincoln Way Inn. For more information, visit <http://www.tawanienterprises.com>.

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