

Ninth Annual CFO of the Year | Honoree



PRIVATE COMPANY CFO OF THE YEAR
(LESS THAN \$100M ANNUAL REVENUE)

JAKE HIMELSTEIN
CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER
BAMKO

JAKE Himelstein is truly a transformational Chief Financial Officer. His involvement in all aspects of BAMKO's business makes him much more than a CFO, but rather a leader in the company and a true visionary in his field.

In June 2013, Himelstein made the transition from serving multibillion-dollar private equity firms at Deloitte & Touche alongside 50,000 employees, to BAMKO, a business with approximately 170 employees. While many struggle with the move from being a small cog in a huge organization to an executive member of a smaller company, Himelstein thrived and within weeks became one of the most respected and admired members of the BAMKO team. He now serves on the company's Leadership Initiative Team and Board of Directors.

Himelstein is never satisfied with the status quo. While he was brought on with the objective of managing the Finance and Accounting departments at BAMKO, he has grown to take full control of the company's Programming, Human Resources, Information Technology and Risk Management departments. He is also heavily involved in the Sales and Operations functions, frequently attending major client meetings and pitches. His breadth of capabilities and accomplishments is truly outstanding and well beyond the call of duty. Through his efforts, BAMKO has grown by nearly 50% in revenue over the past two years alone.

One example of Himelstein's remarkable contribution is the company's NetSuite implementation. In April 2014, BAMKO's executive management team began discussing the adoption of a new finance and accounting ERP to replace their aging systems. Himelstein led a team of 15 people on three different continents working in unison putting forth maximum effort to complete this initiative. As a result of the team's determination and dedication, BAMKO went live on NetSuite on October 1, 2014, three months ahead of schedule and 50% under budget.



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