



Transportation Trailblazer

Dorri Giles Raposa



Then & Now

As a longtime member of WTS, I have found that my involvement in and commitment to the organization has paid back in so many ways I never expected! The friends, the network, and the support has helped me advance in my career, bolster me when I faced challenges and failures, and cheered me when I succeeded! WTS gives me so much more than I can ever give back, it's a lifeline for women in the transportation industry.

With 35 years of experience, Dorri Raposa is a Senior Vice President and the Director of Client Development – Transportation at HDR. She is responsible for developing and driving strategic growth of HDR's transportation markets. Ms. Raposa is also responsible for Transportation Cross-Sector services, leveraging them across all of the transportation market sectors. These Cross Sector Services include economics and finance, sustainability, program management, procurement, real-estate and right-of-way, value engineering and public involvements and strategic communications.

Career Highlights

- 1st woman non-engineer Officer at HDR
- Initiated 1st HDR diversity program: The Women's Forum (2000)
- Founding Executive Director of The Engineering Center, a not for profit organization focused on supporting and managing engineering organizations throughout New England. Founding organizations: ACEC of Massachusetts, Boston Society of Civil Engineers Sections/ ACSC and Massachusetts Association of Land Surveyors and Civil Engineers (1985-1991)

WTS Contributions

- WTS Member (1991 - current)
- WTS-Boston
 - President (1999-2000)
 - Advisory Board (2006 – 2008)
 - Board of Directors (1993-1998)
- WTS International
 - Board of Directors (2010 – 2012)
 - Conference Co-Chair (2003)
- WTS Foundation
 - Chair (2015-2016)
 - Board of Directors (2012 – 2014)

Awards and Leadership

- WTS-Boston and WTS International Member of the Year (2005)
- March of Dimes, Steering Committee (2000-2001)
- Boston's Women's Business Executive Hall of Fame (2000)
- National Society of Professional Engineers, Engineers Week, Boston Chair (1997-1998)
- Society for Marketing Professional Services (SMPS) Boston
 - Marketer of the Year (1996)
 - Chapter President (1994-1995)
- American Council of Engineering Companies, ACEC Distinguished Service Award (1990)
- National Association of Consulting Engineers, Council Executives President (1989-1990)
- American Consulting Engineers Council, National Executive Committee (1989-1990)