

DAN CALLENDER, GENERAL MANAGER

The Members Club, RITZ-CARLTON

Dan joined the Marriott International family in July of 2014 and is presently the General Manager of The Members Club, The Ritz-Carlton, Sarasota, Florida where, as an Executive Committee member, he manages the Golf Club, Beach Club, member experiences and relations for over 1,400 members.

Previously Dan enjoyed a successful career with WCI Communities, a statewide, luxury and amenity rich land and lifestyle developer headquartered in Bonita Springs, Florida. In 12 years Dan progressed from Club Manager to General Manager and finally, Regional General Manager.

Prior to WCI, he was the Director of Hotel Sales and Operations at Tampa Palms Golf & CC in New Tampa, Florida for ClubCorp. Preceding his hospitality career, he was the Chief Operating Officer of Hinsdale Medical Management, a micro-service organization in healthcare servicing the underserved boroughs of New York City.

For most of a 20 year professional career following his undergraduate education, Dan served as Executive Vice President, Chief Operating Officer, Store Manager and Buyer in retail business responsibilities with Federated Department Stores, Mercantile Stores and Bradlees.

Dan received his MBA from USF Sarasota/Manatee with specialties in Finance and MIS, earned his Certified Club Manager (CCM) certification from the Club Manager's Association of America, served in statewide and regional committee chair capacities for the FLCMAA and has been an active chair in the annual Gator Region, FLCMAA charitable fundraiser for All Children's Hospital, The Ronald McDonald House and regional charities.

Dan's undergraduate degree was a B.A. from Bowdoin College in government and legal studies followed by MBA graduate work at NYU.

In addition to his professional career, he is privileged to be the life partner of his wife and psychotherapist/Physician Assistant, Teri; the proud owner of a Southeastern Guide ambassador dog, Casey and sidekick, Nikolai, his imperial Siberian cat. He is motivated by his passion for fitness, mindfulness, reading, organizational behavior and education, now manifesting as a USF College of Business Advisory Board member.