

BIOGRAPHY

Bill Fournet is President and CEO of The Persimmon Group, the award-winning management consulting firm he founded in 2004. Bill has been a project leader for more than 25 years in the IT, engineering, manufacturing, and business change areas. He has led or overseen large and mega projects in excess of \$10 billion.

Bill loves to solve complex problems for organizations of all sizes, and remains hands-on at Persimmon, consulting clients of all sizes and across verticals. An in-demand speaker on Project Management, Leadership and Generational Diversity, Bill believes “we are in the midst of a great transformation.” From technology to generational issues, Bill analyzes workforce trends to help you understand the future of work and how to stay ahead in times of uncertainty. He has spoken at numerous PMI events including past Global Congresses and many chapter conferences.

Bill’s experience in managing high-performance teams has directly influenced the unique business philosophy and atmosphere that has created one of the leading small businesses today. The Persimmon Group was awarded the Blue Ribbon by the U.S. Chamber of Commerce for its success as one of the leading small businesses in America in multiple years. The Persimmon Group was also named multiple years to the Inc. 500/5000 list for the U.S. Fastest Growing Companies. The Persimmon Group has received the Families and Work Institute’s Effective and Flexible Workplace Award, and also received the Arrowhead Award for the Oklahoma Professional Business of the Year. Bill is a multi-nominee for “Most Admired CEO” in Oklahoma.

Bill earned a bachelor’s degree from Vanderbilt University and a master’s degree from Oklahoma State University. He and his wife, Christy, reside in Tulsa, Oklahoma and have three sons. In his downtime, Bill enjoys hiking and camping, and is active as an Assistant Scoutmaster with Boy Scouts of America.