



Effective June 1, 2014, Monica James will be the new Chief Operating Officer and Executive Vice President of the Calista Corporation. Monica is joining the Calista executive team after a hugely successful three years as the President of Yulista Holding.

Professionally, Monica is well equipped for the position of Calista COO. After serving as a military spouse for over 20 years, Monica contributed as an executive member of Alaska Aerospace serving as the Chief Financial Officer and then the Vice President of Business Operations and Administration. She left that post to begin her journey with the Calista Corporation starting with Yulista Holding as the Vice President of Business Strategy and quickly ascending to the President/CEO position. Over the last three years, Monica has served Yulista Holding with passion and excellence, leading the Yulista subsidiaries to tremendous success. In an effort to increase shareholder value, Monica charted a course to diversify the base of Yulista Holding and sought to bring in new work amongst multiple customers. To do so, she restructured the holding group and created centers of excellence providing support to the operating subsidiaries. The results of these changes were extremely valuable to the shareholders. Under Monica's leadership Yulista Holding and subsidiaries were able to win the Prototype Integration Facility (PIF) follow-on contract, the Missouri TASMG (aircraft maintenance) contract, the Aircraft Integration and Maintenance (AIMS) contract, and other base operations and technical service contracts.

While Monica is certainly ready professionally, it is her personal tie to Calista that uniquely prepares her for the post. Originally from Alakanuk and a graduate of Bethel Regional High School, Monica is a shareholder that cares deeply for her fellow shareholders. She constantly reminds her team about the richness, strength, and stability of the shareholders and people of the Calista region. Working for Calista as a shareholder is a life-long dream and goal of Monica's and she is eager for the opportunity to work with Andrew Guy, the board, and the rest of the executives to put forth maximum effort to increase shareholder value and to spread hope to the region.

Monica has put her passion for the shareholders on display over the last three years with Yulista Holding. Her compassion for the employees has reinvigorated Yulista Holding and its subsidiaries. And her professional skillset has set her apart as a dynamic leader with business skills, compassion for people, and passion for her fellow shareholders. She is eager to carry these principles with her to Calista and continue to work hard on behalf of the shareholders and put all her energy into serving the shareholders. This is her core mission and she is ready to make the move to Calista to serve in this role.

As she moves to Calista, Monica's succession plan is to insert Josh Herren as the President/CEO of Yulista Holding Company. Josh was Monica's COO/EVP over the last three years. In addition to Josh moving into the CEO role, Paul May, the current Director of Finance, is being promoted to COO/EVP for Yulista Holding. These moves ensure continuity and a seamless working relationship between Monica, Josh, and Paul as she transitions to corporate. Please welcome Monica to Calista!











