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## Denis Malaket

Senior Vice President/Administration  
Shermag

### Strength Through Diversity

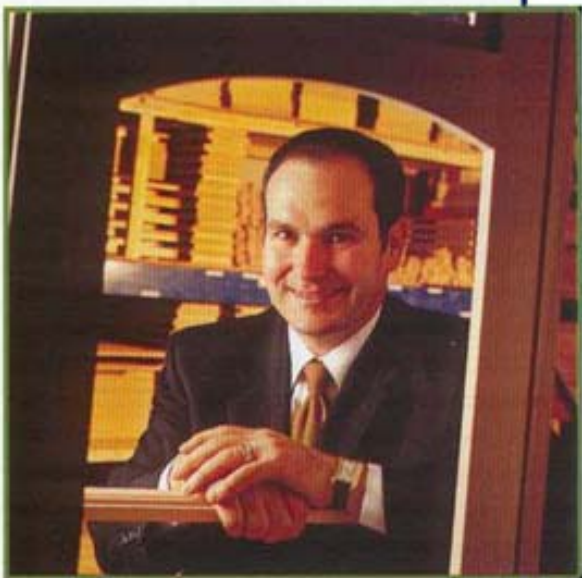
As strange as it sounds, a mail strike in Canada was one of the reasons Denis Malaket ended up pursuing his MBA in Miami. The Quebec native, having done his undergraduate work in Ottawa, had applied to several local universities as well as to UM, which he chose partly because his parents had a home here. Due to the mail strike, his acceptance letter from the School was the first to arrive, and off he went to registration, armed with a map of the area.

"I was considered a foreign student, which was a little weird," says Malaket. Now the senior vice president of administration for Shermag, Canada's leading furniture manufacturer, Malaket calls his graduate experience "two of the best years of my life. I think we had a great program there. Of course it's academic, but it's also about hands-on practical experience."

He initially worked as a controller in an oil refinery, then moved to his family's business, Malaket Furniture. "Working in a family business can never be too easy," Malaket observes. He moved on to Catelli, a food producer, where he became a budget director. His next job, at a management turnaround firm, led him to Shermag, which had been his account. Malaket and Shermag's president, Serge Racine, ended up becoming involved in an outside growth management business together. Meanwhile, Malaket's ongoing work for Shermag was so productive that he was persuaded to join the company full time as junior vice president. A year later, Malaket, who is married and has two sons, was promoted again.

In his present position, Malaket oversees customer service, information systems management, transport and credit. "I am in charge of inventory, I approve all the production going into the plants, I follow the division heads," he says.

"When I was at the School of Business," he adds, "I was a graduate assistant in the Management Department, working with [department chair] Dr. Linda Neider. I wrote my thesis in marketing and took all the optional courses in finance. I'm a diversified kind of guy, and now I'm in a diversified kind of job." — K.B.



and real estate/zoning matters. He lives in Manassas, Va. • **Edward Hoff** (BBA '91) is the U.S. sales manager for Viking Life Savings in Brooklyn, N.Y. • **Joris Jabouin** (BBA '90, MBA '92) is vice president of Dresdner Bank's Latin American Audit Team, which is responsible for the Caribbean, Central America and northern South America. He lives in North Miami Beach. • **Jin Hoon Lee** (MBA '99) is director general of the environment for the City Government of Taegu City, South Korea. • **Ruben Darío Lizarralde M.** (MSPM '99) is general manager for Indupalma in Bogota, Colombia. • **Jorge I. Lopez** (BBA '90, MBA '94) is the merchandising manager for the

states of Florida and Georgia for Perdue Farms. He is based in Miami. • **Henry Malpartida** (BBA '97) is assistant vice president for Citibank in New York City, where he also lives. • **Lynn M. Margulies** (MBA '91) recently joined Cisneros Television group as the recruitment manager. She is also serving as vice president for PR and marketing for the Greater Miami Society of Human Resource Management. She lives in Weston, Fla. • **Sallie Ann Marvill** (MBA '95) is president of Vision in Planning, Inc., a Miami-based corporate and destination event management company. She also lives in Miami. • **Pedro Mascaró** (BBA '91, MBA '93) is director of sales integration and strategy for Starmedia in San Francisco. • **Michael McGowan** (MBA '99) is business analyst at Marex.com in Miami. • **Heidi McInnis** (MBA '94) is the business manager for Counseling Ministry of South Florida in Coral Gables. She lives in Miami. • **Lisa Marie Merlin** (MBA '95) is the regional manager for the Global Traffic Organization (Mexico, Central America and the Caribbean) at Teleglobe International in Reston, Va. She lives in Arlington, Va. • **Jeff Morgan** (MBA '97) is the assistant controller for Lake Norman Regional Medical Center in Huntsville, N.C. • **Bernie Navarro** (BBA '95) has been appointed as manager for Dade County for CitiMortgage, Inc. in Coral Gables. • **Lawrence A. Neumann** (BBA '98) is a financial analyst and assistant controller for Jundt Associates, Inc., in Minneapolis. He lives in Minnetonka, Minn. • **Katharine Overby** (MBA '99) is director of marketing at EMERGIN, Inc., in Boca Raton, Fla. • **Anil Panjabi** (BBA '94) is marketing manager for Ravissant, Ltd., in Kowloon, Hong Kong. • **Asya Pashenko** (BBA '94, MSTX '96) is the controller for Knight Foundation in Miami. • **Crystal L. Reed** (BBA '95, MBA '99) is a marketing analyst in the database marketing division of Blue Cross Blue Shield of Florida in Jacksonville, where she also lives. • **Stephen W. Reed** (MBA '97) is a solutions engineer for Siemens in Tampa. • **Barry Jake Richter** (BBA '91) is assistant to the producers of the hit Fox TV show "Malcolm in the Middle." • **Matthew Rosenberg** (MBA '95) is president of PRWatchdog.com and also directs public relations for Fusion Networks. • **Erika Sandler** (MBA '97) is a sales specialist for AT&T Global Services in Tampa, where she lives. She is also starting an e-commerce business of her own, hoping for a launch in 2001. • **Nancy Notes Seguin**