



20th Anniversary
Lifetime Achievement
Award Recipient

**Zee
Allred**

CEO
Pool Water Products



Professional Biography

Zee Allred is chairman and CEO of Pool Water Products, a California Corporation, with nine branches throughout California and 12 out of state, in Florida, Texas, Arizona and Nevada. The company also does business in many foreign countries around the world.

Zee Allred possesses entrepreneurial spirit, business acumen and leadership ability that has allowed her to turn a \$500 loan into a multi-million dollar company that employs hundreds of people and serves our community, nation and world. Zee Allred led Pool Water Products through a period of industry consolidation to become one of the top companies serving the national and international pool and spa market. Furthermore, Zee Allred is an equal partner in Pentagon A Investments, a real estate leasing company, and an equal partner in Aqua Tri, a chemical manufacturing company. She was listed by the Orange County Business Journal as one of the "100 Most Influential People of Orange County" and was Orange County Woman of the Year.

Zee Allred has played an integral role in the growth of philanthropy and nonprofit service in Orange County, and her generosity and leadership have had a dramatic impact on the community. Zee Allred is a major donor, board member, as well as a member of the executive committee of the board of directors of the Segerstrom Center for the Arts. She served on the board of directors of Western Medical Center for more than 10 years and is a current member and past vice-chairperson of the National Multiple Sclerosis Society of Orange County.

Zee Allred serves as secretary on the board of directors for the Healthcare Foundation of Orange County and assistant secretary on the board of Chapman University. She has also served on the boards of Opera Pacific and the National Assistance League.



Zee Allred has been a devout supporter of a host of nonprofit organizations in the community that include, but are not limited to, the Assessment and Treatment Services Center, the Orange County Trauma Society, the UCI Medical Research and Education Society, the Bowers Museum of Cultural Art, the Orange County Philharmonic Society, the Pacific Symphony, the Pacific Chorale and South Coast Repertory.

Zee Allred is a passionate, active advocate of higher education, major donor, and a member of Chapman University's board of directors for over 20 years. Examples of her contributions as a business leader, humanitarian and philanthropist are many; most recently, through initiation and support of the newly dedicated Zee Allred Aquatics Center and Olympic pool. In 2005, she was a proud recipient of the Chapman University Corporate Citizen award and in 2009, Zee Allred received a degree of Doctor of Humane Letters, honoris causa from Chapman University.

One of Orange County's outstanding women in business, Zee Allred has been leading the way for women in Southern California for more than four decades. She grew the company to be the largest woman-owned business in Orange County while nurturing a family, thereby raising the glass ceiling for women in all workplaces and setting a meaningful example for those who face difficult decisions regarding the balance between family responsibilities and professional life. In 2008, Laura's House honored Zee Allred for her extraordinary commitment to the community and generous spirit of giving to others.

Ms. Allred has received many awards for her community services.

Ms. Allred lives in Newport Beach. She has three children (Vern, Dean and Carol Ann) and 16 grandchildren.