CHERRYL THOMAS Chief Strategic Officer





Cherryl Thomas has over 40 years of experience successfully directing, managing, maintaining and administering various high-profile projects and budgets. She founded Ardmore Associates in 2003 and merged with The Roderick Group in 2018 to form Ardmore Roderick, where she currently serves as Chief Strategic Officer.

Cherryl has worked for the City of Chicago Departments of Public Works, Water, Aviation and Buildings, and as Deputy Chief of Staff for Infrastructure in the Mayor's Office. She retired as Commissioner of Buildings for the City of Chicago to accept an appointment by President Clinton as Chairman of the U.S. Railroad Retirement Board.

She received her Bachelor's in Biology and Chemistry from Marquette University. Received her Master's in Physiology from University of Illinois. Received her Honorary PHD from Boston College.

Cherryl is a part of University After School Matters – Life Director, Big Shoulders Fund, Chicago Archdiocese School Board, Chicago Network Board, Chicago Zoological Society Board, Lyric Opera Board, Polk Brothers Foundation