

# Keith Stevens

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**Chairman and CEO of PSI**  
**Co-Founder and Principal of Akava, LLC**  
**Founder and CEO of UpRys, LLC**

*“The highest priority of a servant leader is to encourage, support and enable individuals in organizations to unfold their full potential and abilities increasing Teamwork, personal involvement and results.”*

## ABOUT

A Columbus, Ohio resident, Keith founded Proteam Solutions Inc. (PSI) in 1992 with a loan of \$500 as a provider of light industrial and clerical staffing services in the greater Columbus area. He has guided the company from a one-man start-up to an award-winning, multi-million-dollar Business Technology Consulting firm providing senior-level consulting services to both the private and public sector.

In 2010, along with PSI partner Doug Stevens, Keith formed Proteam WFS, LLC as a provider of Business Process Outsourcing services to both nonprofit and for-profit organizations.

In 2018, Keith and Brandon Durbin co-founded the San Francisco-based software development and talent studio Akava, LLC, which offers expertise in DevOps, Cloud Transformation and Software Development.

In July of 2021, after years of strategizing, Keith evolved PSI's Business Process Outsourcing offerings to better serve their nonprofit client base and launched UpRys, dedicated to elevating organizations with people, process, and technology expertise.

## AWARDS

- Ernst and Young Entrepreneur of the Year award winner
- Named one of Columbus's Best CEO's by Columbus C.E.O. Magazine
- Named one of five finalists in the Columbus Chamber's Small Business Leader award

## COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

- Board Member and Past Board Chair of the Columbus Chamber of Commerce
- Board Member and past Board Chair of Alvis
- Past Board Member and Chair of Community for New Direction (CND)

