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Cliff has over 30 years of experience in the computer software and high technology industry. Prior to becoming Vice-chairman, he served as Cerner's President and Chief Operating Officer from 1985–1999. Cliff graduated from KU in 1973 with a Bachelor of Science in Business Administration and Accounting.

In addition to his executive responsibilities at Cerner, Cliff is a substantial presence on the Kansas City entrepreneurial, life sciences and business development scenes. He is an active angel investor and acts as an advisor to several area entrepreneurial startup companies.

Cliff serves on a number of significant regional civic boards and organizations. He is President of the Heart of America Council, Boy Scouts of America. He is on the Board of the Stowers Institute for Medical Research. At the University, Cliff is a member of the KU Edwards Campus Board of Advisors and the Advisory Boards of the KU School of Business' Center for Applied Economics and the Kansas Masonic Cancer Research Institute at the KU Medical Center. Cliff is also a Chancellor's Club Life Member.

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