



SecondHalf Coach

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Pablo Picasso once eloquently stated, "The meaning of life is to find your gift. The purpose of life is to give it away." I feel so lucky to have discovered so many of my gifts at such a young age, and so thrilled to have found a company that will encourage me on all fronts to share these gifts with my community.

Bree Edgerly was born in Pittsburgh to Michael and Jody Larkin in the crisp early morning hours of a sunny fall Monday in October of 1989. At the age of 5, just after welcoming her youngest sister into the family, Bree and her family moved to Westmoreland County where they established a happy and fortunate life together over the years. The second of four girls, she was raised alongside her three sisters to appreciate the value of family, the outdoors, imagination and a strong work ethic. She cherishes years of memories with her close-knit family: many days in the sun on the softball field with her sisters on a team coached by her dad, extended family vacations to Myrtle Beach, countless nights playing cards around the camp fire in the Laurel Highlands with family friends, snowy afternoons of chasing a scrappy mutt named Max and his adopted tiny brother Roscoe through the mazes and elaborate igloos that she and her sisters built each winter. Valuing the warm experiences and love that being close with her family brought to her childhood, Bree decided to stay settled in Latrobe when the time came to choose a college and think about life on her own.

She always fancied school, with a particular fondness for books and music. In high school, she made the decision to fully invest herself in performance arts and left the softball glove behind. She played first clarinet in the wind ensemble and traveled throughout the state for various select ensemble performances throughout high school. She also learned to play the tenor saxophone as a member of the jazz ensemble. She starred as the lead in several musicals and was an alto in the Greater Latrobe Chamber Choir. When off stage, she took her academics very seriously, graduating third in the Greater Latrobe class of 2008 with a 4.2 GPA on account of all of the AP courses she elected to complete her junior and senior years.

While Bree learned many important lessons from her studies and time on the stage, she gained her most personally developing experiences through her leadership role as the Editor in Chief of the high school magazine, *Serendipity*. During her year as Editor, she worked to grow and develop the monthly publication into a more professional magazine, devoting hours after school in the design room with her co-editors incorporating professional layout designs and brainstorming relevant content. Through her position as Editor in Chief during her senior year, she discovered her passion for writing and her love for the power of the written word, thus leading her to study English Literature and minor in Secondary Education at Saint Vincent College.

While she originally set out to be an English teacher, hoping to instill a love for books and language in young people as a career, Bree changed course after graduating Cum Laude in 2012 and pursued a career in Event Management. Though she discovered that the high school classroom was not the career stage for her, she applied the skills she developed during her undergraduate studies through the numerous jobs that eventually led to her current position with SecondHalf Coach Wealth Management. Her gift of confidence shined bright while she directed event crews and spearheaded planning efforts for large community events during her leadership initiatives as the Event Manager at The Westmoreland Museum of American Art throughout their renovation phase. She utilized her multi-tasking and organizational skills during her stint as Event Coordinator for The Conference Center at Saint Vincent College. She returned to her love for serving others as Operations and Event Manager of The White Rabbit Cafe. Alongside serving as a managing barista, perhaps the most fun-loving job Bree has ever held, she also designed a rental program for special events in the cafe space. Referring to herself as “The Mad Hatter,” she coordinated and hosted tea parties galore to celebrate weddings, bridal and baby showers, and a variety of community parties. Lastly, prior to finding her true calling in the realm of wealth management, she assisted her grandfather in his final year as the owner of the winter ice melt company that he built and ran for almost a decade. Taking on a very different role from what she was used to, Bree traveled around the Greater Pittsburgh area as a

Sales Representative, working to increase sales and modernize the business from a technology standpoint in efforts to prepare for the future steps of the company after her grandfather retired.

Her most cherished gift she has been given in this life, Bree's husband Michael has been next to her through all of the experiences of her twenties which have helped to shape who she is today. Her best friend since the fateful day their relationship fell into place in the fall of 2011, Michael is a constant source of laughter, support, inspiration, adventure and good conversation. When they are not at work, Bree and Mike enjoy spending time with their two dogs Harper and Nala at their home in downtown Latrobe. If they are not creating art together or spending time with their families who all live nearby, they like exploring Pittsburgh, biking around Latrobe, hiking in the Laurel Highlands and growing their own vegetables at the community garden in Legion Keener Park. They also relish a good cup of coffee and a quiet afternoon snuggled up with the dogs tucked away in a book. Bree and Mike are looking forward to their biggest adventure yet as they expect their first son, Miles in May of 2018.

Ready to find a career to which she felt she could commit and to build relationships with a work family with which she could grow for the long term, Bree joined SecondHalf Coach Wealth Management in the summer of 2017. Her grouping of varied job experiences prior to joining the firm arm her with a wealth of knowledge in the areas of event planning, relationship development, strategic planning and operational management, all of which she utilizes to assist the team in ensuring the highest quality client experience. She is directly responsible for assisting clients with any needs they may have through fulfilling service requests, processing paperwork and managing communications. Alongside building meaningful and lasting client relationships, Bree will lead initiatives to improve office procedures and maximize the utilization of existing and new software for the purposes of enhancing workflow efficiency and providing thorough service to all clients. She will also be utilizing her background in professional writing and magazine design to participate as Writer/Editor for GOAL Magazine and to assist contributors in writing articles.

I am elated to have found a position through which I can share my gifts with our community. I consider myself so lucky to have landed a career by my late twenties where I can apply my current skills, but also have the room, and better-yet the encouragement of a supportive and cherished work family, to continue to grow and develop my gifts as I continue to joyfully discover the meaning and purpose of this life.