



## Ronald Kerber

Dr. Kerber is an executive experienced in leading and growing domestic and global businesses. His leadership responsibilities have included general management, innovation, product development, procurement, cost reduction, and profitability in diverse, global organizations. He currently splits his time among a variety of entrepreneurial and pro bono activities. He is a private consultant, Partner and Cofounder of Dominion Development Company and Proffit Station LLC.



During ten years as executive vice president and chief technology officer at Whirlpool Corporation, Kerber had line responsibility for global product development and global procurement, and P&L responsibility for three global businesses: microwave ovens, air conditioners, and compressors. Prior to that Kerber served as vice president of advanced technology and business development and a Member of the Executive Committee at McDonnell Douglas, as deputy undersecretary of defense for research and advanced technology, DUSD(R&AT), and as a program manager at the Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency (DARPA) in the Department of Defense. Dr. Kerber was also a member of the technical staff of The Aerospace Corporation.

Before beginning his business career, Kerber was a professor of electrical and mechanical engineering and associate dean of engineering for graduate studies and research at Michigan State University. He is coauthor of *Strategic Product Creation*, McGraw Hill, 2007 and has published more than 60 technical articles. He was a 22-year member of the Department of Defense Science Board. And he has chaired many Defense Science Board studies on acquisition, information technology and defense systems. He is the recipient of the Secretary of Defense Medal for Outstanding Public Service, the Michigan State University Teacher Scholar Award, the Purdue University Distinguished Engineering Alumni, and Outstanding Aerospace Engineer Award. He was a NASA Fellow at the California Institute of Technology and is a Batten Fellow and has been a visiting professor at The Darden Business School, the University of Virginia. Dr. Kerber has been a board member of SPX, Atlas Air, Polar Air Cargo and Anser Corporation. He was Chairman of the Board of Advance Technology International.

Dr. Kerber received his B.S. degree from Purdue University, and M.S. and Ph.D. degrees in engineering science from the California Institute of Technology.