

ITM GROUP
The First Dragon Foundation™
Founder & Business Development Advisor

Janet Whittimore
BIOGRAPHY

Born in Fort Smith, Arkansas, Janet moved to Ohio with her family before the age of one and has lived the majority of her life in suburbs of Cleveland. Although she and her late husband Jesse moved to Central Florida in 2009, she has never stopped referring to Cleveland as home. With family in both Cleveland and Florida, she travels between the two locations often.

Janet's thirty-plus years of experience in accounting began immediately after high school when she went to work for TransAmerica Mailings, Inc. while attending college in the evenings at Cuyahoga Community College, ultimately graduating with an Associate of Business Degree in Accounting. Subsequently attending evening and weekend classes at Baldwin-Wallace College, Janet obtained a Bachelor's Degree in Business Administration in 2004.

Before moving south, Janet worked in various accounting positions at several Cleveland-based companies, including nine years at Pioneer-Standard Electronics, Inc. as Co-op Coordinator/Marketing Funds Supervisor, and nine years with the Cleveland Clinic Foundation as Accountant and ultimately Senior Accountant.

Desiring to live in a location more suitable to her husband's work in the golf industry, Janet and Jesse moved to sunny Titusville on east coast of Florida. Janet initially remained with the Cleveland Clinic and transferred to their Weston, Florida location. She eventually moved into the government sector of accounting and has been employed as a Fund Accountant for the Brevard County Clerk of Courts since July 2011.

Influenced by her father, a researcher and lecturer on topics such as the mind and physical connection, numerology, and humanity's place in the universe, and like-minded in his belief that we have a vast supply of inner capability to control ourselves and situations, including our health, she authored *Are You Controlling Your Drinking or Is Drinking Controlling You – 37 Days to Drinking Less* in which she extracted personal experiences and encounters to identify effects that alcohol has on a person's life and those around them. Originally created to help a friend reduce her drinking habit, the plan was expanded and self-published in 2014 to help others with the same issue.

Wishing to carry on her husband's goal to one day end the pain and suffering caused by Multiple Sclerosis, Janet joined Jesse in organizing annual fund raisers to benefit the Multiple Sclerosis Society, via clambakes, raffles and golf outings.

Jesse, a Venturer and Member of the Board of Advisors of ITM's First Dragon™ Global Chinese Cross Cultural Exchange Enterprise, introduced Janet to ITM Chairman/CEO Jack Craciun III, during trips back to Cleveland in 2015. Wanting to contribute her experience, talents and passions to The First Dragon™ Enterprise while also carrying on the legacy of her late husband's dedications to social service, Janet accepted ITM's invitation to join the Board of Advisors for The First Dragon Foundation™ Ltd, a 501(c)(3) organization dedicated to cross cultural education, social service and medicine.

Born under the Chinese Zodiac sign of the Dragon, with the characteristics of passion, persistence, and leadership, and born with the numerological Life Path 9, the Humanitarian, Janet is pointed in the right direction to successfully join with The First Dragon™ in the spirit of enhancing the human condition, one person at a time.