Rebecca A. Ufkes

President, UEC Electronics, LLC

Charleston, South Carolina
www.uec-electronics.com

Rebecca A. Ufkes is the President of UEC Electronics, LLC, an ISO 9001 and AS9100 registered engineering, design, prototyping, and manufacturing woman-owned small business (WOSB) located in Charleston, South Carolina. UEC, founded in 1995, provides product development and comprehensive manufacturing services to aerospace, defense, and commercial markets. Rebecca was selected as the 2010 SBA South Carolina Small Business Person of the Year and was subsequently honored as a National Award Winner at the 2010 SBA National Small Business Week Conference in Washington, DC. For three consecutive years, UEC has been recognized by Inc. Magazine's 500/5000 fastest growing privately held companies, landing at number 45 for the fastest growing manufacturer in the US in 2013. Early 2012, Rebecca was recognized as a “Champion of Change” at the White House for Innovation and Manufacturing. Last year, UEC was also awarded the distinguished Nunn-Perry Award for their accomplishments in the DoD Mentor Protégé program with Raytheon.

Rebecca holds a Masters in Business Administration from The Citadel and a Bachelors of Science in Mechanical Engineering from Michigan Technological University. Prior to founding UEC Electronics, Rebecca was employed by Kaman Aerospace and Sikorsky Aircraft, respectively.

Rebecca serves on the Board of Directors of Palmetto Partners, SunTrust Bank, and the Charleston Metro Chamber of Commerce. Previously, Rebecca served on the Board of “Project Lead the Way,” a program to incorporate engineering curriculum into public high schools. Current efforts in the local academic community are in support of STEM initiatives.