



## PROFESSIONAL PROFILE

Carl Tepper is a vice president for McDougal Land Co., LC and supports Delbert McDougal from the company's Downtown Lubbock Redevelopment Office. Currently McDougal Land is overseeing a total downtown redevelopment project in Lubbock. Carl brings a mixture of distinct specialties to the redevelopment office, including expertise in commercial real estate management and community relations.

Before returning to Lubbock, Carl was a senior commercial property manager in Austin with over fourteen years of commercial property experience at various types of property including office buildings, industrial facilities, and even a lakeside office complex with a marina. He holds a Texas real estate license and has negotiated many leases on behalf of tenants and owners. His family are also principals and own their own retail strip center with partners in Austin.

Carl has achieved the Building Owners & Managers Association (BOMA) RPA designation and has served on the BOMA-Austin Board of Directors.

Carl grew up on Long Island where he attended the Huntington Christian School, a small Baptist school in the North Shore. After high school he joined the Air Force. *Sergeant* Tepper was a military aviator (C-130 Flight Engineer) with the 50<sup>th</sup> Tactical Airlift Squadron. This is a coveted and rare position for enlisted personnel. During his military career he lived in England, Arkansas, Texas (Reese AFB) and the United Arab Emirates and flew missions throughout the world. During the Persian Gulf War he logged over 20 combat-support missions earning him the prestigious Air Medal among other citations.

After the war and with his GI Bill he attended Texas Tech University where he graduated with a degree in Political Science. He rode horses for the Texas Tech Polo Team and wrote opinion columns for the college newspaper. Carl was also active in Republican Party. He volunteered, served as a precinct chairman, and was appointed a Vice Chairman of the Lubbock County Republican Party. He volunteered for many campaigns including the George W. Bush victory against Ann Richards for Governor of Texas.

Carl then lived in Austin for twelve years where he practiced real estate management and in his free time was active in local politics. Carl fought against many liberal issues and learned first-hand how extreme the Democrats have become. He was one of just a few Republicans regularly seen at the Austin City Hall. He was the appointee of three city mayors to the city's Urban Transportation Commission and served for a total of nine years. During this time he was also involved in the Travis County Republican Party and worked to get Republicans voting in Austin to offset the extremist Democrats. Carl even ran for a seat on the Austin City Council but lost. Nevertheless, he built credibility and the ultra-liberal Austin Chronicle named Carl one of the "Best Unsuccessful City Council Candidates" that year in a group of over fifteen candidates.

During this time Carl married Robyn Vincel who he met at a Young Republican social. Robyn worked for the Southern Baptist Convention's Annuity Board (now Guidestone Financial). In Austin, Robyn was hired as the Executive Director of the Texas

Federation of Republican Women. The TFRW boasts over 11,000 members and Robyn was responsible for their day to day operations and organizing their quarterly meetings and major annual events.

When an opportunity to return to Lubbock emerged with the Downtown Lubbock Redevelopment Project, Carl and his wife Robyn jumped at the chance to live in conservative West Texas. While fighting the “weird” liberal Democrats was challenging, they were ready to live in a community that is conservative, God fearing, and “normal”. Robyn is now the District Director for State Representative Charles Perry.

Carl and Robyn have one daughter, Claudia, who is a proud student at Murfee Elementary. He’s a member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, attends church on Sundays, and is an advisory board member with Lubbock Corp of The Salvation Army. Carl is also an expert horseman and has experience exercising spirited thoroughbred racehorses. He is often seen galloping his own horse *Seaford* through the turn rows in the cotton fields or parking *Seaford* at the famous “Horse Parking Only” hitching post at a grocery store on 98<sup>th</sup> st.

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