

Exit Statement Examples

Exit Statement (for an individual who was laid off/downsized)

Due to declining market conditions, Konix has undergone a major reorganization. This has resulted in the elimination of over 100 positions from the national sales force, including mine. I am now exploring leadership opportunities that will take full advantage of my twenty years of outstanding technology sales experience.

Exit Statement (For an individual who has a job, but wants to make a change)

Although I am performing very well as a Senior Business Analyst with Capital Tech, I have learned that there are no opportunities there at the level appropriate for me, especially across the disciplines in which I work best. Therefore, I am exploring senior-level management positions that will leverage my understanding of technology, marketing, communications and sales. I am seeking a company where I can make a long-term commitment and make a greater contribution to the success of the organization.

Exit Statement (For an individual who was fired)

"The culture at my last company was not a good fit for me. My style is to bridge differences to find common ground. I believe that's the most effective way to move forward when two sides disagree. That style was instrumental in the successful resolution of several serious negotiations at Zenox Company, but at Stricker I found the situation to be quite different. In fact, when I tried to intervene to resolve a problem that had brought our new product group to a standstill, my manager pulled me out of the group and told me he thought the creative differences would result in a better product. This trend continued for the 18 months I was there, so I wasn't really surprised when I was asked to leave. As a result, I want to be sure my next position allows me to use my natural skills as a mediator and problem-solver to help move the business forward."

Exit Statement (For an individual who was fired)

"I am a high-energy leader who inspires most people to perform their very best - as shown by the results we attained at Genotech and Raiden. I'm very proud of developing strong leaders - two of my direct reports in the last five years have been recruited for CEO roles outside the company, and many more have been promoted internally. My senior VP at Raiden described me as an 'igniter' for bringing out the best in people who really believed in our mission. The flip side, of course, is that those who don't buy into it are not quite so complimentary. My record of retaining key staff has been exceptional, but those who have been let go or quit on their own might have felt 'burnt' by that same spark that energized others. I do create an electric atmosphere, and I believe in dedicating myself 100% to achieving the mission. I'm looking for a position where being the 'igniter' will help us reach extraordinary goals."