

PAM GOLDSTEIN Ralph O. Nafziger Award Winner

ABOUT PAM

- Head of Crisis Communications for McDonald's
- Serves as a guest lecturer on crisis management at Northwestern University School of Law and the University of Chicago Booth School of Business
- Chairs the Walk to End Lupus Now: Chicago for the Lupus Foundation of America and was the co-chair for the University of Wisconsin's Chicago Alumni Association Scholarship Program
- Previously co-led Edelman's Data Security & Privacy Group and worked at the White House in the Office of Presidential Personnel
- Lives in Chicago's Gold Coast neighborhood with her husband and 1-year-old daughter

Major Awards

PR Week's 40 under 40 (2021), McDonald's President's Award (2020), Circle of Excellence Award (2020)





What do you do in your time away from work?

I'm a (very) amateur cook and baker and avid watcher of all things Shonda Rhimes.



How did you help guide McDonald's through the pandemic?

I oversaw a cross-functional center team responsible for key decision-making and strategy setting that would guide more than 100 market teams and enable the company to build trust in its response across the company and among external stakeholders. I also led McDonald's partnership with The White House to rollout nationwide vaccine education across US restaurants.

