

# Ned Mirkovic

## General Manager Washington, D.C.



Smith & Wollensky General Manager Ned Mirkovic leads the Washington, D.C. location with over twenty-five years of fine dining service, hospitality and operations management experience and a strong connection with the D.C. industry and guest community.

A longtime resident of Bethesda, Maryland, Mirkovic began his career in the D.C. area at Morton's The Steakhouse in McLean, Virginia, while attending graduate school at the University of Maryland. As he worked toward his MBA, he also rose up the leadership ranks at the restaurant, continuously advancing in supervisory roles, soon becoming General Manager for the Morton's location in Bethesda, Maryland. Mirkovic served as General Manager of the unit from 2003-2008, with notable accomplishments including a successful launch of a new bar concept, Bar 12.21, receipt of the Wine Spectator "Award of Excellence" every year consecutively and a 2008 RAMMY nomination for General Manager of the Year.

After five years of leading at the local restaurant level, Mirkovic was eventually promoted to Regional Director of Operations for Landry's, inc., where he oversaw all McCormick & Schmick's and Morton's The Steakhouse restaurants in the Washington, D.C. region, directing new openings, guest service, training and brand strategy on regional and local levels. After four years, Mirkovic

took on the role of Regional Director of Operations for Legal Seafoods, where he managed seven Mid-Atlantic region units in guest service operations, training and personnel management procedures.

Mirkovic's leadership skills, success in fine dining operations and community roots made him the perfect fit to lead the iconic Smith & Wollensky, Washington, D.C. location. Mirkovic gladly accepted the opportunity, drawn to the company for its superior quality in Prime steaks, signature in-house butchering and dry-aging process and impeccable standards of guest service. Mirkovic knew that he would be in good company, with the ability to lead and work among professionals that hold shared values in hospitality and great care for their guests.

Mirkovic takes great pride in his winning management team and staff, and truly enjoys serving the D.C. guest community, as it allows him to meet and serve locals and travelers from vastly different backgrounds. He says, "D.C. has such strong diversity and culture among its residents and visitors...individuals from all over the world and walks of life, making the Capitol such a world-class city. I feel quite fortunate that I'm able to give them the Smith & Wollensky dining experience and through that, be a memorable part of their time in D.C."

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