

## Michael Molinksi

Columbia Economic Development Corporation Board of Directors

Michael Molinski was born in Hudson in 1983 and raised in Livingston. After graduation Hudson High School in 2001, he enlisted in the US Marines. He was trained as a graphic designer and still photographer and earned several medals and promotions. After four years of honorable service, he settled back in Hudson and established Molinski Photography with his wife, Nicole, which has won several awards.

Molinski Photography has been in business since 2009 has been awarded Small Company of the Year in 2013 by the Chamber of Commerce followed by Columbia County's "Best of" in the photographer category for 2014, 2015, 2018, 2019, & 2022.

He has also mentored over 25 young adults through the Youth Employment Services in the HCSD as well as the WorkforceNY program located on the CGCC campus. and recently raised funds for a scholarship by biking across New York State. Along with volunteering with the CEDC, Michael is a board member for the Salvation Army in Hudson, Bluehawk Academy mentor, and supports mental health awareness advocate. When he's not supporting the community, you can find him riding his bicycle across Columbia County and New York State.