

**Penny Toler**  
**Executive Vice President & General Manager**

Ms. Toler is entering her 20<sup>th</sup> season leading the team's basketball operations and is the longest tenured and winningest general manager in WNBA history. She has guided the Sparks to three WNBA titles (2001, 2002 and 2016) and 17 playoff appearances in her 19 seasons holding the position. Ms. Toler became general manager in 1999 and won the title two years later, making her the fastest person in professional sports, male or female, to go from being a player to general manager to winning a championship.

In 1997, Ms. Toler scored the first basket in WNBA history and in 2006 she became the first female athlete to have her jersey retired at STAPLES Center when the Sparks retired her #11 uniform in recognition of her playing and management career.

In 2014, she made history again as the only female in professional sports to have consecutively been a player, executive and head coach for the same team when she took over the reins as head coach midway through the season.

In addition to the Sparks, Ms. Toler is also a member of the USA Basketball Women's Competition Committee where she's assisted in the selection of four gold medal winning teams. She will also assist in the selection of the 2020 Olympic Team. Ms. Toler also sits on the WNBA Labor Relations Committee, the group that will negotiate the new Collective Bargaining Agreement.

Beyond the WNBA, Ms. Toler combined her sense of community and business savvy to start the "Points from Penny" program in 1998. The program was nominated for several awards including the American Express Entrepreneurial Spirit Award.

Ms. Toler attended Long Beach State University where she was recently named the 2019 Distinguished Alumna for the College of Liberal Arts.