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Strong, smart, inquisitive, compassionate and successful, Julia Elvidge is an engineer, a company president and a mother. She was one of only six female engineers in her class at Waterloo, and since graduating as an electrical engineer in 1987 she has flourished in this typically male-dominated profession. Today Julia is president of Chipworks, a high technology company that reverse engineers semiconductors and systems to determine how they were built and to protect the technology inside them. Julia joined Chipworks on a part-time basis in 1994 and has held roles as an engineer, engineering manager, research and development – her name is on a few Chipworks’ patents. Before her appointment to President in 2003, she headed up the sales and marketing organizations. Julia has been vital in building Chipworks into a global technology firm with offices in North America and Asia.

In addition to building a remarkable career and ensuring the ongoing success of Chipworks, Julia is a single parent and devoted mom of two children, Cameron and Sarah.

In 2008, Canadian Women in Communications recognized Julia’s contributions with a Trailblazer of the Year Award. In 2007 CATA WIT recognized her work with a Sara Kirke award for women entrepreneurship.