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**RESUME**  
of  
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**EXPERIENCE**

**October 2004 -  
To Present**      **CRAFT Forensic Services, Bonita, CA  
President**

- Provide consultation and support services in the areas of material handling management, equipment operation, equipment-associated personnel training and litigation activities.
- Provide material handling accident investigation and reconstruction services.
- Speak at lifting industry professional development sessions on material handling regulations and management, inspection, operation and rigging.
- Member of the Board on Safety Codes and Standards of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers (ASME) and Vice-President from 2003 -2006 overseeing the development of published safety codes and standards including the A17-Elevator, B30-Crane and B56-Forklift.
- Vice-Chairman of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers, B30 Standard Main Committee for Cableways, Cranes, Derricks, Hoists, Hooks, Jacks, and Slings and six Subcommittees. This committee develops the design, construction and operation safety criteria that are the basis for federal and state OSHA regulations. Subcommittee Memberships include:
  - B30.3 Construction Tower Cranes
  - B30.4 Portal, Tower and Pillar Cranes
  - B30.23 Personnel Lifting Systems (Chair)
  - B30.7 Base Mounted Drum Hoists
  - B30.8 Floating Cranes and Derricks
  - B30.28 Load Positioners
- Licensed as a State of California Crane Surveyor for all categories of cranes to August 2006.
- Approved as a State of Nevada Crane Inspector and Crane Operator Trainer.
- Member California OSHA Advisory Board on Crane, Rigging and Material Handling regulations.

**September 92-  
September 04**      **N. A. C. B. Technical Services, Inc., San Diego, CA  
Executive Vice President  
Various Corporations of the N. A. C. B. Group Inc., Orlando, FL**

- Performed inspections as mandated by Federal, State, Local and Industry regulations on all categories of mobile cranes, overhead cranes, tower cranes, fixed cranes, aerial devices, industrial trucks and rigging equipment.
- Provided consultation and support services in the areas of material handling management, equipment operation, equipment associated personnel training and litigation activities.
- Provided material handling accident investigation and reconstruction services.
- Spoke at lifting industry professional development sessions and at scheduled classes on material handling regulations and management, inspection, operation and rigging.
- Instructed at the University of California OSHA Institute. Courses included the Federal "Trainer Course", "Introductory Course" and the California "Mobile Crane Inspector".
- President of the Association of Crane and Rigging Professionals 1995 to1997.
- Participated on Federal OSHA's Crane Workgroup reviewing the 29 CFR 1926, Construction Crane standards and California OSHA's Advisory Committee on Cranes.
- Participated on the National Commission for the Certification of Crane Operators (CCO) task force that defined the National Crane Operator Certification criteria.
- Authorized as a 29 CFR 1919 Signatory Authority for the inspection of Floating Cranes and Derricks, Shore Based Material Handling Equipment and Non-destructive Evaluation.
- Licensed as a State of California Crane Surveyor for all categories of cranes. Member of the State of California Advisory Board on crane related regulations.
- Approved as a State of Nevada Crane Inspector and Crane Operator Trainer.
- Certified as a Washington State Crane Inspector.

April 79-  
July 92

**National Steel and Shipbuilding Company, San Diego, CA**  
**Various shipbuilding design and management positions - 4/79 to 1/86**  
**Cranes, Rigging and Transportation Manager - 2/86 to 7/92**

- Managed the daily operation, inspection and maintenance of:

**Land Based Equipment**

6 Portal Cranes	2 Truck Cranes	4 Hydraulic Boom Lift Trucks
6 Mobile Tower Cranes	3 Fixed Tower Cranes	40 Industrial Fork Trucks
4 Hydraulic Cranes	75 Overhead Cranes	7 Busses and Trucks
56 Carts and Trailers	1 Rigging Fabrication and Hoist Repair Facility	

**Water Borne Equipment**

6 Floating Barges	2 Dry Docks	3 Tugboats	11 Mooring Berths
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- Developed, implemented and maintained inspection programs that monitored equipment condition and scheduled necessary, and mandated, inspections and tests.
- Personally monitored and performed the daily and weekly inspections of material handling equipment and rigging components that supported the facilities 350-ton single lift capacity.
- Personally performed regular inspections of all land and water borne equipment for material condition, future maintenance needs and correct operational configurations.
- Reviewed, approved and monitored repair activities associated with all material handling equipment. Equipment included those listed above and 250-ton lifting beams, alloy steel chain slings, fittings, nylon/Kevlar slings and all configurations of attachment hardware.
- Performed design review of 15 new crane installations and numerous mobile-equipment purchases to insure compliance with all applicable ANSI and OSHA requirements.
- Performed calculation and application reviews on temporary floating crane applications to ensure all potential safety issues were considered. Review included vessel structure and stability, operational configuration limitations and crane limitations.
- Performed acceptance inspections on nine new crane installations with capacities ranging from 1 ton to 35 tons. Crane configurations ranged from wall cranes to double hoist, full gantries.
- Performed pre-purchase inspections on two 130-ton mobile portal tower cranes to determine structural and mechanical condition and design compliance with regulatory requirements.
- Developed, implemented and maintained Equipment Operator Training and Certification Programs to satisfy all requirements of Federal OSHA, California OSHA and American National Standards B30 and B56 documents. Training programs covered crane operation, rigging skills and practices and industrial truck operation. After implementation, I monitored all programs to assure content and quality.
- Monitored and directed the lift planning process for crane loads ranging from small size, high value, loads to large size, high weight and volume loads to assure that all aspects of safe lift planning and lifting practices were addressed and in compliance.
- Performed as the Owners, On-Site Representative during the construction of a 620 foot, 25,400 ton, floating dry dock outfitted with 4 constant tension mooring winches, a 35 metric ton electric, level luffing, portal crane and multiple deck mounted capstans. I personally monitored all aspects of the dry dock construction, equipment installation, pre-operation inspection and operational testing. Responsible for ensuring that all equipment met the requirements of the applicable Federal Regulations and US Navy performance standards.
- Performed as Ship Repair Manager for a U.S. Navy Destroyer. Personally inspected repair actions on the ships davits, winches, windlasses, hoists, propulsion systems and hull structure.

June 67-  
April 79

**United States Navy, Atlantic and Pacific Surface Forces**  
**Surface Warfare Officer, US Naval Reserves from 4/79 to 6/81**

- Served on five surface ships and at four shore installations including a Navy Shipyard.
- Served as Operations, Combat Information Center, Intelligence, Navigation and Legal Officer.
- Qualified as a Surface Warfare, Tactical Action, Command Duty, Electronic Warfare, Navigation Engineering Watch and Intelligence Officer.
- Served as the Aide to the Commandant, Naval District Washington, DC.
- Awarded the Navy Commendation Medal and numerous Letters of Commendation.
- Achieved rank of Lieutenant Commander.

**EDUCATION**

- May 2000 Bendix / Allied Signal  
Air Brake System Design, Inspection and Operation. Covered the brake component applications as well as inspection and safe operating practices for air brakes.
- Mar 1994 Diablo Canyon Nuclear Power Plant, San Luis Obispo, CA  
Nuclear Power Plant Safety Procedures and Practices.
- Apr 1993 The Von Corporation, Birmingham, AL  
Nondestructive Dielectric Testing Course. Covered the theory and practice of performing dielectric tests on electrically insulating components and equipment.
- May 1992 National Steel and Shipbuilding, San Diego, CA  
Shipyard Competent Person Course. Covered confined space safety, chemical exposure limits, inspection procedures and documentation requirements.
- Feb 1991 National Steel and Shipbuilding, San Diego, CA  
Scaffolding Safety and Inspection Course. Covered the safety and regulatory requirements of scaffold structures as well as operational inspections.
- May 1990 National Steel and Shipbuilding, San Diego, CA  
High Reach Equipment Inspection and Operation Course. Covered the pre-operation inspection and safe operating practices for equipment up to 80 feet in reach.
- May 1988 Crane Inspection and Certification Bureau, Orlando, FL  
Personnel Lifting Course. Covered Federal Requirements for the construction and use of Crane Suspended Personnel Carriers.
- Apr 1988 University of Wisconsin, Madison, WI  
Overhead Crane Safety Course. Covered crane and building design considerations, maintenance criteria and inspection procedures for Overhead Cranes.
- Jan 1983 American Management Associations, New York, NY  
Mar 1984 Management Course. Graduate level study in Corporate Management.
- Sep 1976 Surface Warfare School, Newport, RI  
Mar 1977 Graduate level study in Mechanics and Electronics.
- Sep 1976 Surface Warfare School, Newport, RI  
Mar 1977 Qualified Engineering Officer, 1200 psi Steam Propulsion Plant.
- Sep 1971 Naval Training Command, Atlantic and Pacific  
Aug 1977 Electronic Communication, Electronic Intelligence, Nuclear Weapons, Oceanography, Shipboard Damage Control and Helicopter Operation Courses.
- Jun 1975 U.S. Naval War College, Washington, DC  
Jun 1976 Graduate level study in National Strategy and Policy.
- Aug 1971 Naval Justice School, Newport, RI  
Sep 1971 Qualified Navy Legal Officer, Non-JAG. Study in Military and Civilian Law.
- Jun 1967 U.S. Naval Academy, Annapolis, MD  
Jun 1971 BS in Naval Science. (Mechanical Engineering Equivalence)

**MEMBERSHIPS**

Member	American Society of Mechanical Engineers	(ASME)
Member	American Society of Naval Engineers	(ASNE)
Member	American Society of Safety Engineers	(ASSE)
Member	Association of Crane and Rigging Professionals	(ACRP)
Member	Crane Certification Association of America	(CCAA)
Member	Society of Automotive Engineers	(SAE)
Member	Society of Naval Architects and Marine Engineers	(SNAME)
Member	Washington Crane Safety Association	(WCSA)
Member	Scaffold Industry Association	(SIA)
Associate	American Society of Civil Engineers	(ASCE)

**PRESENTATIONS and PUBLICATIONS**

2006	U.S. Department of the Interior, MMS - ASME Material Handling Standards.
2006	"Points to Remember when Lifting People", Cranes Today Magazine.
2005	CON/AG EXPO – “Personnel Lifting Safety Requirements”.
2004	NACB Profession Development Conference– “Wind and Ground Condition Hazards”.
2004	CCAA Annual Convention– “Crane Safety Consensus Standards and Regulations”.
2004	Tree Care Industry Association Spring Convention– “Best Crane Practices”.
2003	NIST – CHINA Workshop–“U.S. Crane Safety Standards and Regulations”.
2002	CON/AG EXPO – “Personnel Lifting– Comparison of Requirements”.
2001	UAW / GM Joint Safety Meeting– “Crane Rigging – Inspection and Use”.
2000	UAW / GM Joint Safety Meeting– “Crane Laws and National Consensus Standards”.
2000	Association of Crane and Rigging Professionals– “Crane Capacity Calculations”.
2000	IUE/DELPHI Joint Safety Meeting– “Overhead Crane Regulations and Standards”.
1999	UAW / GM Joint Safety Meeting– “Overhead Crane Inspection and Safety Issues”.
1999	California OSHA Licensed Inspector Meeting– “B30 Standard in California”.
1999	California OSHA Licensed Inspector Meeting– “Crane Operator Qualifications”.
1999	International Telecommunications Conference– “Aerial Device and Crane Safety”.
1998	Association of Crane and Rigging Professionals– “Personnel Lifting Safety”.
1997	Washington Crane Safety Association– “Working near High Voltage Lines”.
1997	Association of Crane and Rigging Professionals– “Working near High Voltage Lines”.
1997	Associated Wire Rope Fabricators– “Synthetic Roundsling Safety Standards”.
1997	Association of General Contractors– “Crane Safety Management”.
1996	Association of General Contractors– “Safety and liability when using rented cranes”.
1995	Systems Safety Association– “Lifting Equipment Inspections to Ensure Safety”.
1995	Specialized Carriers and Riggers Association– “Mobile Crane Electrical Safety”.
1994	Associated Wire Rope Fabricators– “Status of Lifting Safety Standards”.
1994	Southern California Industrial Safety Society– “Crane Safety”.
1993	National Safety Council– “Mobile Crane Safety”.
1993	Specialized Carriers and Riggers Association– “Crane Consensus Standards”.
1993	Crane Works, September-October, “Acknowledging the blind lift”.
1986-1992	NASSCO – “Shipyard Crane, Rigging and Transportation Operations Safety Considerations”-“New Hire” and “Engineers in Training” orientation.
1978-1979	USS Turner Joy – “Shipyard Safety Orientation” – New crewmember orientation.