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### Summary of Qualifications

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Professional Safety Manager and Army Veteran with twenty-nine (32) years of employment history, which includes Safety Management and Coordination, Legal Investigator, Security Operations Management, Nuclear Security Officer, Sergeant/Assistant Watch Commander and Patrolman within various industries. Highly qualified in utilizing the Root Cause Analysis methodology, while executing and implementing Correction Action Plans. Proactive and safety focused professional who possesses leadership capabilities to ensure a safe and successful project. Safety isn't just a work-place practice, it is a way of everyday life.

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### Transferable Skills

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- CHST
- Safety Management & Oversight
- Knowledge of OSHA 1926 & 1910
- Leadership & Team Development
- Written and Verbal Communicator
- Client & Employee Relations
- Proactive Executor and Implementer
- Expert Permit Writer and Safety Auditor
- Trainer, Mentor, & Team Player
- Knowledge of OH&S Regulations
- SAP & IVIS
- Microsoft Office & Windows XP
- IDentiPass & Kronos
- Problem Solving & Conflict Resolution
- Critical & Analytical Thinking

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### Education

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**Criminal Justice, Philips Junior College, Metairie, LA**

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### Completed Projects

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Balm Solar 74.4MW, Lake Hancock Solar 55.5MW, Elm City 55MW,  
Butler Solar 102MW, Taylor 146MW, Wilmot 135MW.

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### Certifications & Training

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- OSHA 510
- OSHA 500 Authorized Outreach Construction Trainer
- Hazardous Waste Operations & Emergency Response HAZWOPER
- GCIC, NCIC, & NFPA 70E Certified
- First Responder & First Aid CPR
- OSHA 30 & 10 Construction Industry Training
- EVOC Certified Various Management & Supervisory Training
- Criminal Justice

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### Career Chronology

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Moss & Associates, Fort Lauderdale, FL 2019 – Present

#### **Safety Manager**

- Monitor and control of all safety operations on construction site, coach, instruct, lead and oversee safety staff in performance of their assigned duties.
- Conduct company implemented Covid19 scans of all employees entering construction site. Lead off all POD meetings, staff Meetings and sub-contractor meetings.
- Conduct all new hire orientations, essential construction training, along with company and emergency stand downs when necessary.

- Review and go over emergency operations plan with construction management staff on a monthly basis to make sure everyone is well versed in their roles in case of a site emergency.
- Performed site specific safety training orientation and conducted random drug testing for site personnel to ensure a safe working environment

Brunel Industry Services, Midland, TX

2019-2019

**Senior Safety Supervisor**

- Achieved number one Pad status with an audit score of **99%**
- Direct and oversee mechanical, electrical, civil, and crane rigging activities at the 310 Tank Battery while maintaining an accident and injury-free work environment
- Conduct weekly safety meetings and detailed training for fork lift, man lift, spotter safety, and various other construction operations

First Solar Inc., Tempe, AZ

2016-2019

**Safety Manager - EPC**

- Performed safety audits and inspections by walking up and down the applicable work site to identify potential hazards and proactively eliminated the hazards prior to work being performed by crew members
- Issued and signed confined space entry permits, signed red rope entry permits and other work-related permits required
- Performed site specific safety training orientation and conducted random drug testing for site personnel to ensure a safe working environment
- Managed safety oversight for all site personnel, maintained MSDS inventory and implemented OSHA rules and regulations in accordance with policies and procedures
- Attended and advised site personnel of potential safety hazards during pre-job briefings and Safety Tool Box meetings while reporting safety information during company meetings with construction and project management team
- Conducted and implemented site lightning and inclement weather stand downs while monitoring weather and site conditions
- Monitored crane lifts, trenching, excavation, confined space entry and work site related safety practices
- Managed investigations utilizing the Root Cause Analysis methodology while executing and implementing a Corrective Action Plan to minimize and potential eliminate future workplace safety accidents and recordable incidents
- Built rapport with site personnel to ensure they were confident in communicating with safety and management personnel, ultimately creating a positive work environment
- Assisted the Safety Manager in providing oversight and enforced safety compliance regulations on various sites consisting of up to 1,600 employees
- Performed site stand downs to mitigate safety issues and communicate vital information as needed
- Conducted New Hire and Visitor Orientations while participating in and leading daily Pod Meetings in order to advise Construction Management of all identified site-specific safety issues
- Directed and implemented site safety training, accident and incident investigations, and root cause analysis methodologies
- Issued PPE as needed and administered First-Aid and CPR whenever necessary

First Solar Inc., Tempe, AZ

2016-2016

**Safety Coordinator - EPC**

- Coordinated and advised project team of safety obligations for various site maintenance and construction projects
- Assessed sites for potential safety hazards, executed safe work practices and performed safety audits to ensure company and OSHA procedures were being followed accordingly

- Oversaw and advised crews performing confined space entry of hazards to ensure team safety
- Monitored, evaluated and proactively implemented a safe work permitting program system

Brandner Law Firm, New Orleans, LA

2014-2015

**Legal Investigator**

- Reviewed and investigated reported documentation to ensure a clear understanding of the nature of various types of criminal cases
- Contacted witnesses to ensure they properly attended hearings to testify
- Identified related material from testimonies, files and interviews while build support claims

Security Operations Manager, Taft, LA

2012-2014

**OXY Chemical**

- Managed security and safety operations while enforcing policies and procedures, including Maritime Threat Level procedures implanted and controlled by the U.S. Coast Guard

***Security Operations Manager Continued***

- Prepared payroll, scheduling and assigned duties to Security Operations team
- Provided ID badges utilizing the IVIS Computer System

Entergy, Kilona, LA

2011-2012

**Nuclear Security Officer**

- Controlled access entering or exiting facility, checked for unauthorized materials, such as explosive devises, weapons, drugs and/or alcohol while monitoring access through metal and explosive detectors
- Proficient and Certified utilizing Military AR 15 Rifle and M&P 9mm handgun

Dollar Tree Stores, Atlanta, GA

2004-2005

**Security Manager**

- Managed personnel to ensure a secure environment in accordance with security procedures
- Preformed risk management assessment and ensured local, state and federal compliance of emergency and security guidelines were followed accordingly

Fulton County Sheriff's Office, Fulton, GA

1993-2007

**Morning Watch Sergeant**

- Maintained laws by explaining and enforcing their application and mediating disputes
- Maintained impeccable leadership in a diverse setting by creating an environment where deputies felt ideas and opinions were valued and strongly considered

Clayton County Police, Jonesboro, GA

1988-1992

**Patrolman**

- Maintained safe traffic conditions, reported observations and actions by testifying in court
- Conducted criminal investigations by gathering evidence, interviewing victims, witnesses, and proactively interrogating suspects
- Prepared records, investigations and court documentation related to undercover investigations of drugs, prostitutions, criminal and gang related cases
- Apprehended suspects by responding to complaints and emergency 911 calls accordingly