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Curriculum Vitae

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Mr. Bruckmann is an associate of Causey Engineering LLC. Causey Engineering has for over 18 years been providing forensic and investigative engineering services and litigation support, specializing in industrial and construction regulations and safety issues. Mr. Bruckmann has extensive expertise in technology and quality for the Food Industry. His experience includes product, process and quality development and improvement.

Education

Manhattan College, NY
B.S. Chemistry

University of Pennsylvania, PA
M.S. Chemistry

American Society of Quality
Certified Quality Engineer

Registrations:

Certified Quality Engineer by the American Society for Quality.

Employment History:

Causey Engineering LLC, Austin, TX 2005 to Present

Forensic Expert: Provide Forensic Engineering and investigative work related to the food industry. Causey Engineering provides engineering analysis, governmental regulation investigation and research, accident reconstruction and litigation support primarily related to oil and gas, refineries, chemical and petrochem plants, central power stations, electronic manufacturing, food processing, pulp and paper, lumber manufacturing, industrial construction, and warehousing.

Kraft Foods Corporation, Northfield, IL 1974 – 2004

Increasing positions of responsibility for a \$17 Billion Manufacturer of Food Products as indicated below:

Director/Senior Director - Quality Assurance & Food Safety for Manufacturing: 1999-2000

- Directed North American quality and food safety initiatives for internal plants (95), external plants (250), distribution centers (150), and suppliers (>500).
- Coordinated capital spending across businesses and manufacturing.

Director - Raw & Packaging Productivity: 1997–1999

- Developed a strategic model for Kraft Foods productivity, which coordinated idea and business case development and transition to business partners.
- Implemented model with a formal process to investigate costs of raw & packaging materials.
- Developed training program to move the model broadly into Kraft Foods.

Director – Quality Assurance/Operations Quality: 1993-1997

- Directed compliance and continuous improvement activities for Quality Systems for 65 Kraft Foods and 140 external plants.
- Defined and started the implementation of ISO 9000 for Kraft Foods Operations.
- Directed a staff of 15 business focused quality professionals.

Director – Maxwell House Technical Quality Systems: 1991-1993

- Created and directed a role that combined strategic quality planning with practical problem solving.
- Directed the overall quality effort (Quality Assurance, Technical Services and Customer Feedback) at headquarters and plant locations for the Maxwell House Division.
- Participated in New Product and Cost Reduction activities in Maxwell House.

Technical Research Manager – Maxwell House/Kraft Foods International/Food Services Division: 1984-1991

- Managed programs centered around Roasted & Ground and Specialty coffee product development (Maxwell House), strategic planning (International), product and process development (Food Services).
- Managed technical staff of 28 professionals doing product and process development for Food Service (\$300 million revenue) and Maxwell House (\$1.5 billion revenue).

Technical Research – Food Service/Analytical Chemistry/Maxwell House: 1974-1984

- Entry level to supervisory positions in Product Development and Analytical Chemistry.
- Multiple national introductions of coffee products in both retail and Food Service.

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