

Robson Forensic

Engineers, Architects, Scientists & Fire Investigators

JOSEPH T. KOTROSITS Commercial Trucking & Hazardous Materials Expert

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

2011 to **Robson Forensic, Inc.**

present *Associate*

Provide technical investigations, analysis, reports, and testimony toward the resolution of commercial and personal injury litigation involving commercial trucking operations, policies and procedures, hiring standards, HAZMAT training, environmental compliance, TSD (Treatment, Storage and Disposal) Facilities and Management, FMCSA, PHMSA (pipeline), and failure analysis.

2010 to **Transolutions of PA, LLC**, Allentown, PA

present *Principal*

Provide regulatory compliance oversight and management consultation for the truck transportation industry. Assume all DOT regulatory compliance functions for transportation companies with special emphasis for companies that transport hazmat and whose operations are regulated by PHMSA and FMCSA regulations, extensive knowledge of US DOT's latest safety initiative CSA 2010, train clients employees in the proper and safe transportation of hazmat, audit companies to provide a snapshot of clients current compliance status with DOT regulations and assist management in their efforts to improve safety compliance, provide driver training, conduct driver safety meetings.

2007 to **Pure Earth, Inc.**, Trevoese, PA

2010 *Senior Vice President – Transportation Services*

Responsible for all areas of compliance and operations for 7 companies in the tri-state area which included transportation, transportation and disposal brokering services, environmental consulting and biomedical waste transportation & disposal; complete oversight of the compliance effort for the above listed entities which includes compliance with the US DOT, OSHA, US EPA, and NJ DEP regulations; interfaced with all applicable local and state officials in furtherance of the business enterprise including obtaining and maintaining permits and registrations, transportation licensing, NYC Vendex, NPDES permits and hazardous waste/materials permits; conducted employee safety meetings, liaison with insurance company for all auto accident and workman's compensation claims.

1986 to **Philip Services Corp. (PSC)**, Hatfield, PA

2007 *Corporate DOT Compliance Manager, Environmental Services Division*

Oversaw transportation compliance (FMCSA and PHMSA) for the Environmental Services Division of a large environmental services company with revenue over 300 million and offices in over 35 states; set standards for DOT compliance at multiple facilities throughout US; audited sites to determine compliance with both US DOT and corporate standards; trained employees in the proper and safe transportation of

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hazardous materials; conducted driver safety meetings; set up a driver performance program which was used as a model for other PSC operating units that rewards employee behavior consistent with PSC's values and goals, and successfully increased drivers' awareness of corporate expectations and facilitated the attitude shift required of employees to operate vehicles safely, to perform loading and unloading functions properly and to comply with all regulatory issues surrounding the transportation of hazardous materials; reduced the accident-per-mile ratio and improved OSHA compliance; completed accident reports and investigations, trained on auto accident investigation, set up corporate requirements for third party transportation subcontractors which include creating guidelines for auditing and approving transportation vendors.

Transportation Manager

Responsible for the Hatfield transportation operating unit of the Environmental Services Division, including managing the overall budget, ensuring company's safety goals were communicated to employees and overseeing logistics, customer service, administrative functions, equipment maintenance, hiring and training of drivers and mechanics, compliance (US DOT, US EPA, OSHA and PA DEP), licensing, permitting, vehicle specifications and purchasing; negotiated pricing/contracts with transportation vendors which resulted in 10-20% cost reduction in third party transportation costs; audited third party vendors to ensure compliance with Company's transportation compliance program; prepared annual budgets (capital, labor, P&L); prepared operational reports analyzing the company's performance for the Senior Vice President; made recommendations and implemented same to improve operations; interfaced with all levels of the corporate structure.

CERTIFICATIONS

Certified Hazardous Materials Instructor
Certified Smith Driver Training
Surviving a US DOT Audit

EDUCATION / TRAINING

B.A., Philosophy, Mansfield University, Mansfield, Pennsylvania, 1974

- Train-the-Trainer Smith Driver Training
- Multimodal Hazardous Materials Transportation Training
- TapRoot Incident Investigation & Root Cause Analysis Training
- Blood-borne Pathogens Safety Training

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- Medic First Aid Course (CPR inclusive)
- OSHA HAZWOPER Training (29 CFR 1910.120)
- Federal Motor Carrier Safety Regulations Training
- Federal Motor Carrier Hazardous Materials Safety Training
- US EPA Land Disposal Regulation Training
- Emergency Planning and Community Right-to-Know Act Training
- Pennsylvania's Environmental Laws and Regulations Training
- Hazmat General Awareness and Function Specific Training
- How to Comply with the Hazardous Materials Shipping Laws Training
- Supervisor Alcohol and Controlled Substance Training Program
- Hazardous Materials Transportation Training
- US EPA and US DOT Hazardous Waste Training
- Advanced Hazardous Waste Management Training

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