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Summary:

A degreed professional with more than 41 years experience leading quality and continual improvement actions in the automotive and motorcycle industries. Experienced in Industrial Engineering, Quality Engineering, Supplier Development and Quality Management. Successful at improving performance as demonstrated by facilitating over 500 breakthrough projects in quality improvement, cost savings, and bottleneck busting. Accomplished at statistical problem solving, designed experiments, supplier improvement, process capability analysis and improvement, statistical process control, problem prevention, and team development.

Experience:

Jacoby Consulting, LLC -- C.E.O.

1999 to Present

Jacoby Consulting, LLC is a high impact organization accomplished in solving difficult problems while developing the client's internal resources to continue the growth of systematic continual improvement.

Accomplishments:

- Facilitated and instructed over 40 breakthrough teams at Harley-Davidson on major projects that improved quality and reduced costs at all plant locations. Developed 16 continual improvement engineers and 43 continual improvement representatives.
- Facilitated and instructed 15 Kaizen teams at TBDN—Jackson, Tennessee plant on projects that improved throughput while improving quality and reducing costs. Coached and trained 45 team leaders.
- Conducted seminars on problem solving, designed experiments, supplier development, and storyboard facilitation for the Florida Sterling Annual Conferences.

General Motors Corporation – Saginaw Steering Division (Delphi)

1971 – 1998

Senior Staff Project Engineer – Statistical Research and Training

Accomplishments:

- Developed the Quality Network Design of Experiments – Graphical Methods instructional materials and educated over 1200 people in these methods.
- Developed continual improvement tools such as The Storyboard Process, Statistical Problem Solving, Concept Selection Process, FMEA's for improving primary and secondary product functions, and simplified Statistical Process Control.
- Lead instructor for supervisor training class, which focused on standardized work and methods improvements.
- Pioneered electronic data collection with the General Motors Technical Center.

General Motors Corporation – Hydramatic Division

1968 – 1971

Reliability Engineer
Production Supervisor
Work Standards Engineer

Accomplishments:

- Introduced radial ground drills to improve tool life while eliminating burrs on transmission Shafts
- Masters Thesis – Eliminate Heat Treat Distortion on Transmission Output Shafts.

General Motors Corporation – Chevrolet Division

1961 – 1967

Material Handling Engineer
GMI Co-op student

Accomplishments:

- Fifth Year Thesis -- Improving the Production Material Handling System.

Education – General Motors Institute (GMI) (Kettering University) 1967. Bachelor of Science in Industrial and Systems

Engineering.

Masters in Business Administration from Indiana Northern University 1970.