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Engineer: Electrical

**Electrical Equipment Failure Analysis**

**Electrocution and Electric Shock Accidents**

**Fire and Explosion Analysis: Origin and Cause**

**Industrial Electrical Accidents**

**Lightning Strike Analysis**

**Robotics & Automation Analysis**

**Scope of Damage – Estimate of Repair**

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## EDUCATION

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- 1990**                    **Bachelor of Science, Electrical Engineering**  
Florida Atlantic University, Boca Raton, Florida
- 1998**                    **Master of Science, Electrical Engineering**  
Florida Atlantic University, Boca Raton, Florida
- 2015**                    **Master of Business Administration**  
Winthrop University, Rock Hill, South Carolina

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## EXPERIENCE

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**APRIL 2017**            The Warren Group, Inc., Irmo, South Carolina. **Senior Consulting Engineer**  
**TO PRESENT**        performing specialized consulting related to property damage and injuries involving electrical equipment, devices, wiring, connections, and other related electrical hardware, electrical fires and failures, arc flashes, electrocutions, shocks and other electrical injuries to people, electrical control system engineering, electrical design and safety.

**Fire & Explosion Analysis**

Determine the origin and cause of fires and explosions; determine the scope of damage resulting from fires and explosion.

**Fire and Life Safety Standards and Codes Compliance**

Building, fire protection and life safety codes and standards, compliance evaluation. National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) Codes, OSHA Regulations, International Building Codes, Uniform Building and Fire Codes, materials and product codes and standards.

**Electrical Distribution Systems Analysis**

Evaluate low and medium voltage electrical distribution system failures and damage in residential, commercial and industrial installations. Evaluate damage to plant and premise cabling, electrical switchgear, electrical panelboards and transformers. Evaluate damage to electrical components for electrical surge incidents such as lightning.

**Control System Analysis**

Electrical and mechanical control systems including relay, PLC and PC based systems and Distributed Control Systems (DCS) including Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition (SCADA) systems. AC and DC motor control and industrial process controls including flame supervision systems, automated assembly systems including robotics, and building automation systems.

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## EXPERIENCE, Continued

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**Property Loss Analysis**

Determine the cause of the loss, establish scope of damage, estimate cost to repair, evaluate replacement cost, estimate time required to complete repair.

**Safety Design Analysis (both personal injury and property damage)**

Industrial accident reconstruction, machine controls, warnings, OSHA compliance, standards and codes compliance, maintenance, fire and explosion analysis, products liability, product failures, failure analysis

**2016 - 2017**

Crump Engineering Works, Charlotte, North Carolina, **Consulting Engineer**. Professional consulting, design and forensic engineering services related to fire cause and origin, control system failures, buildings, industrial systems, data centers, property, safety, causation, scope of damage and value of loss, lightning damage evaluation, and compliance evaluation relating to specifications, codes and industry standards.

**2013 - 2016**

Radisys Corporation, Hillsboro, Oregon, **Senior Field Application Engineer**. Pre-sales engineering support for 3G and LTE communication protocol software stacks for defense, aerospace, public safety, and test and measurement applications. Provided support for embedded computer and network switch products. Designed, developed and implemented proof-of-concept systems to demonstrate capabilities for customer applications. Provided training and diagnostic assistance for femtocell and picocell communication systems.

**2008 - 2013**

General Dynamics Armament and Technical Products, Inc., Charlotte, North Carolina

**Facilities Manager** - Managed multi-site manufacturing and office facilities. Evaluated facility conditions for building envelope performance, energy consumption and lighting performance and compliance. Determined capital improvement projects and analyzed energy usage. Managed critical data center infrastructure including fire suppression systems and emergency power systems for multiple site locations.

**Engineering Manager** - Provided engineering management oversight to Advanced Programs development group. Designed, developed and implemented rapid prototypes in tactical communication systems, vehicle data integration in HWMVV, MRAP and M-ATV platforms, and deployable environmental management systems to meet customer demonstrations and project requirements. Prepared technical and management content for customer proposals to meet business needs.

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## EXPERIENCE, Continued

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**Senior Principal Systems Engineer** - Designed, developed and implemented rapid prototype systems to meet customer demonstrations and project requirements. Lead project engineer for containerized environmental control system for forward base deployment. Designed and developed in-vehicle network systems to enhance combat situational awareness. Designed optical and acoustic detection systems. Conducted research in high-energy laser weapon systems. Prepared technical proposal content to meet business needs.

**2005 - 2008** Engineering Design & Testing Corp., Charlotte, North Carolina, **Consulting Electrical Engineer**. Specialized consulting in the cause and scope of damage to commercial, industrial, and residential facilities. Perform origin and cause investigations of fires and explosions. Evaluation of damage to electrical switchgear, distribution panels, transformers and components in residential, commercial, and industrial facilities. Evaluate electrical surge, lightning and arc flash incidents. Evaluate cause and scope of damage to data, voice and fiber optic cabling. Evaluate failures of commercial and industrial control systems and building automation systems. Perform analysis for compliance to building, fire protections and life safety standards. Perform evaluations for cause of damage, repair or replacement costs, and construction evaluation.

**1997 - 2005** Florida Atlantic University - College of Engineering, Boca Raton, Florida, **Engineer and Director of Technical Services**. As the Chief Engineer of the Robotics Center, designed, prototyped, and implemented manufacturing assembly lines and fixtures. Provided technical and research support for machine vision, laser measurement, and other calibration devices. Provided computing, laboratory services, card access and CCTV security support. Coordinated space and construction needs and managed renovation projects for the college.

**1990 - 1997** Florida Atlantic University - Physical Plant, Boca Raton, Florida

**Interim Director and Assistant Director** - Managed computing resources for division-wide Local Area Network. Oversaw day-to-day operations of work management system. Managed building maintenance, custodial and grounds service contracts for an 800-acre campus consisting of approximately two million gross square feet.

**Senior Systems Programmer/Systems Programmer/Programmer** - Managed computing resources for division-wide Local Area Network. Planned and implemented changes to keep pace with network growth and user needs.

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## EXPERIENCE, Continued

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Designed, coded and installed new software applications and maintained existing applications to meet needs. Oversaw day-to-day operations of work management system. Performed analysis of system data to provide performance indicators as needed to department managers.

**Engineering Assistant** - Prepared campus floor plans, maps and master building plan drawings.

**1988 - 1990** Johnson Controls, Miami Branch, Hollywood, Florida.  
**Engineering Intern** - Performed duties of Branch Automation Technician, including maintenance of branch computing resources and design and implementation of software for HVAC systems. Installed, calibrated and maintained computer-based HVAC, fire and security systems.

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## SUMMARY OF SELECT TECHNICAL KNOWLEDGE

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### Hardware

Thorough understanding of the operations and troubleshooting of ISA, PCI, VME and S-BUS compatible systems. Proficient in the use of standard test equipment including, but not limited to, digital and analog meters, oscilloscopes, spectrum analyzers, logic analyzers, signal trace equipment, and computer simulated circuit analysis. Comprehensive knowledge in the operation, maintenance, and calibration of various types of 4-DOF and 6-DOF manufacturing robots, PLCs and CNC machine tools. Experienced in the use, installation, termination, and splicing of indoor and outdoor fiber optic cable.

### Codes and Standards

Project work including design to and verification of compliance to elements of the following:

- National Electric Code (NFPA 70)
- Electrical Standard for Industrial Machinery (NFPA 79)
- National Fire Alarm and Signaling Code (NFPA 72)
- National Life Safety Code (NFPA 101)
- Electrical Safety in the Workplace (NFPA 70e)
- ANSI/ASHRAE/IESNA Standard 90.1, Energy Standard for Buildings Except Low-Rise Residential Buildings
- RS-232, RS-485 and RS-442 communication protocols
- IEEE 802.3, 802.5, and 802.11a/b/g/n network standards
- MIL-STD-1275D Characteristics of 28 Volt DC Electrical Systems in Military Vehicles
- MIL-STD-810G Environmental Engineering Considerations and Laboratory Tests
- MIL-STD-461F Electromagnetic Interference Characteristics

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## CERTIFICATIONS

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- Certified Fire & Explosion Investigator (NAFI)
- Certified Level 1 Thermographer (FLIR)
- Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) Member, Boca Raton Fire Department, FEMA Emergency Management Institute Certification May 2001
- Registered FAA Remote Pilot (sUAS)
- FCC Amateur Radio general license, call-sign KG4AKO
- Certified Level I Thermographer (FLIR) – Infrared Training Center

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## REGISTRATIONS

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Professional Engineer in Alabama (#36129)

Professional Engineer in Florida (#00058653)

Professional Engineer in Georgia (#041275)

Professional Engineer in Maryland (#49903)

Professional Engineer in North Carolina (#031652)

Professional Engineer in South Carolina (#33722)

National Council of Examiners for Engineering and Surveying – Model Law Engineer (#16-878-07)

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## PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS AND AFFILIATIONS

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Institute of Electrical and Electronic Engineers (IEEE)

IEEE Product Safety Engineering Society

National Association of Fire Investigators (NAFI)

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## CONTINUING EDUCATION

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### June 5, 2017

Training in “Warren’s Written Fall Protection Program & Policies,” by Steve Hunt, CPCU, ARM, Fall Protection Manager, Irmo, South Carolina

“Fall Protection - 29 CFR 1926, Subpart M (1926.500- 1926.503) Training,” Course designed by: Prosafe Solutions, Inc., conducted by Steve Hunt, CPCU, ARM, Fall Protection Manager, Irmo, South Carolina

- Part I – Guardrails & Personal Fall Arrest Systems
- Part II – Horizontal Lifelines, Safety Nets, Roofing Procedures & Training

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## CONTINUING EDUCATION, Continued

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**December 29, 2016**

An Introduction to heat Transfer in Structure Fires, 5 Hours

**December 29, 2016**

ET-108 Engineering Ethics: The Kansas City Hyatt Walkway Collapse, 1 Hour

**December 28, 2016**

Solar Power Part I – Design for Small Structures, 4 Hours

**December 27, 2016**

HVAC Design – Industrial Ventilation, 1 Hour

**December 27, 2016**

Corrosion Control and Tactics, 4 Hours

**December 3, 2016**

Nondestructive Examination (NDE), 1 Hour

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## PUBLICATIONS

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“LOOMY: Applied Visual Cues in Autonomous Driving”, 1995 Florida Conference on Recent Advances in Robotics, Orlando, Florida, April 26, 1995

“SGER: Analog Retina- A New Task-Specific Vision Device”, 2000 Florida Conference on Recent Advances in Robotics, Dania Beach, Florida, May 4-5, 2000

“Pipetting Application of a Pick and Place Robot”, 2005 Florida Conference on Recent Advances in Robotics, Gainesville, Florida, May 5-6, 2005

“COTS technologies drive battlespace communications”, PICMG Systems and Technology, October 22, 2014