



COUNTY OF ERIE

MARK C. POLONCARZ

COUNTY EXECUTIVE

January 9, 2019

Erie County Legislature
92 Franklin Street
4th Floor
Buffalo, NY 14202

Re: Erie County Emergency Fire Advisory Board

Dear Honorable Members:

Pursuant to the power vested in me by Section 1403 of the Erie County Charter, I hereby appoint the following individuals to the Fire Advisory Board.

Appointments:

William M. Cleary
60 Woodlane Drive
West Seneca, New York 14224
Expires: 12/31/20

Jeffrey M. Daege
1418 North French Rd
Amherst, New York 14228
Term Expires: 12/31/20

Michael C. Griffin
2271 Jamison Rd.
Elma, New York 14052
Term Expires: 12/31/20

Kevin M. Herzog
34 Petersbrook Circle
Lancaster, New York 14086
Term Expires: 12/31/20

James E. Judd
206 Ludel Terrace
Lackawanna, New York
Term Expires: 12/31/20

Erik Karcher
2348 South Park Ave.
Buffalo, New York 14220
Term Expires: 12/21/20

Douglas Lahnen
54 Westwood Rd.
Lancaster, New York 14086
Term Expires: 12/31/20

Kenneth D. Walker
157 Washington Avenue
Kenmore, New York 14217
Term Expires: 12/31/20

1/9/2019

If you have any questions about this or any other matter, please feel free to contact my office at 858-8500.

Sincerely yours,



Mark C. Poloncarz, Esq.
Erie County Executive

MCP/ks

cc: Daniel Neaverth, Erie County Commissioner of Emergency Services
Appointees

William M. Cleary

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WORK HISTORY

Commissioner, West Seneca Fire District # 6, West Seneca, NY, 2012 – present

Elected during a non-partisan vote and serving until December 31, 2019, I represent about 7,500 residents of the town with direct management and operational oversight for the Vigilant Volunteer Fire Department (www.vigilantfire.com). I recently developed a training and operational response for police/ems/fire for active shooter incidents. I write firematic articles monthly for the local Bee newspaper to inform the public of current and historical issues impacting the fire and EMS service.

Instructor, Bryant & Stratton College, Orchard Park, NY Sept. 2007-2015:

Instruct criminal justice courses including: Police Management, Criminology, Criminal Investigation, Policing, Introduction to Criminal Justice, Corrections, Juvenile Justice, Criminal Courts, Ethics and related courses in the Criminal Justice Program. I prepare the course outline and student syllabus for each course including related course hand-outs, interactive class activities and discussions and PowerPoint presentations. I develop exams and testing criteria including RUBRICS and evaluation for each student and evaluate their performance through various matrices and evaluative analysis.

Consultant as Subject Matter Expert, Oct. 08 – July 09:

Consultant with SAIC, Mclean, VA, a defense and intelligence consulting company, on development of statement of work and concept of operations to obtain federal contacts for SAIC related to a congressional mandate called "Secure Communities."

Compliance Reviewer, June 08 – Feb. 10, Nakamoto Group, Rockville, MD:

I conducted audits and inspections at local, state and federal detention facilities ensuring compliance and documenting deficiencies with national detention standards established by the Department of Homeland Security.

Dept. of Homeland Security (formerly, U.S. DOJ – I&NS) Mar. 1976 to Jan. 2008:

Field Office Director, 8/85-12/2007 (retired), Buffalo, NY:

Direct supervision and oversight for 450 government and contract personnel. Managed all operational, fiscal (\$35M) and administrative facets, for administrative and criminal cases involving docket management, fugitive apprehensions, criminal alien identification, detention, removal and supervision of operations in upstate NY, all counties north of NYC, including six offices. This included the Federal Detention Facility, Batavia, NY, which detains administrative and criminally charged federal prisoners. Since 1998, I provided the oversight and made final changes for the design, construction, staffing, contracting and operation of the facility.

Significant national duty assignments have included:

Coordinator for mass migration in the Caribbean region to direct operations for DHS at the US Naval Station at Guantanamo Bay, Cuba, Designated DHS liaison to DOD on GTMO for enforcement operations.

FORMAL EDUCATION

- ❖ **Certificate of Master's in Criminal Justice**, Bay Path College, MA. 2010
- ❖ **MPA Masters of Public Administration**, Roosevelt Univ., Chicago, IL. 1983
- ❖ **Department of Justice – Certificate U.S. Border Patrol Academy-19 weeks** (640 hours). 1976
- ❖ **BS - Criminal Justice**, State University College of NY at Buffalo, NY. 1974
- ❖ **AAA - Liberal Arts**, Hilbert College, Hamburg, NY. 1973

SPECIALIZED SKILLS and ABILITIES

- Certified Hostage Negotiator and crisis training Instructor.
- Spanish and Law Enforcement Operations Instructor (federal law enforcement academy)
- Advanced Criminal Investigations
- Protective Custody and Security Operations
- INSPECT (internal) Auditor
- Certified Jail Inspector
- Detention Standards expert- Jail Construction Mgmt./legal issues
- Advanced Ethical Considerations
- Trainer of NARCAN
- Certified Pediatric Intermediate Life Support
- OSHA Certified: Health and Safety Coordinator (18 years)
- Job Safety Analyst
- Firefighter: 1st Response to Haz Mat, Accident Extrication, Swiftwater Rescue, Mercy Flight Ground Crew, WMD, (28 yrs)
- ICS: 100, 200, 300, 400, 700
- FEMA trainer for COOP
- Crisis Management and Disaster Response Coordinator and instructor
- Management Development (DOJ) I, II, III and Senior Executive Leadership Courses (Harvard-JFK School of Government)
- Microsoft: Word, Excel, Access, PowerPoint, Project, Visio
- Public Speaking and Media Relations
- Basic Contract Law and COTR - certification and Ethics Laws
- EEO – Title VII Advisory Committee;
- Group/Individual/Suicide Counseling

HONORS, AWARDS, ACTIVITIES and SPECIAL ACHIEVEMENTS

- Firefighter/EMS responder - awards for efforts in rescues and life saving.
- Two Meritorious Awards Attorney General and DOJ) for managing organizational changes and criminal convictions in the INS Krome Detention Facility, Miami, FL.
- US Attorney Generals Award for Crime Victims Assistance, resulting in a collection of one million dollar savings for the U.S. government.
- Meritorious Award from INS Commissioner for innovative Design/Construction and operational start-up for a 666-bed Federal Detention Facility, Batavia, NY.
- U.S. Border Patrol Award for assistance in the criminal alien operations.
- Received over 40 Special Achievement and Meritorious awards for outstanding performance and special recognition for effective resolution of complex criminal investigations. Received special awards from the Asst. Secretary of ICE, Army Corps of Engineers and Buffalo Federal Executive Board for heading enforcement operations for ICE during 3 month assignment to Katrina response law enforcement response (rescue/enforce laws)

MILITARY VETERAN WITH DIVERSE BACKGROUND WHICH INCLUDES EMPLOYMENT EXPERIENCE IN GOVERNMENT, PRIVATE AND VOLUNTEER SECTORS. DEPENDABLE AND ABLE TO WORK IN BOTH INDEPENDENT AND TEAM ENVIRONMENTS. EXPERIENCE WORKING IN HIGH PROFILE SETTINGS AND INTERACTING WITH THE GENERAL PUBLIC

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Transportation Security Administration **2011 - Present**

Department of Homeland Security

TSA Officer

- Perform checkpoint security of traveling public
- Examine identification and travel documents of passengers for accuracy and authenticity.
- Operate scanning equipment to identify and eliminate prohibited items and hazards to persons, facilities and aircraft.

Rite Aid Corporation **2010-2011**

Pharmaceutical & General Merchandise Retailer

Loss Prevention Associate

- Observe store patrons for indicators of retail theft and take custody of identified shoplifters for law enforcement.
- Identify safety hazards at assigned retail locations, taking corrective action of same.
- Monitor CCTV to ensure safety of employees and patrons.

General Motors Powertrain, Tonawanda, NY **2000-2009**

Vehicle Powertrain Manufacturing Company

Production Associate

- Assembly line production: crankshaft, bearing, water pump, piston, and gasket installations.
- Confined Space Rescue Team
- Medical Emergency Response Team: training in blood borne pathogens, fall hazard, and fall arrest.

Delphi Automotive, Lockport, NY **1999-2000**

Vehicle Heating and Air Conditioning Manufacturing Company

Production Associate

- Assembly of heating and air conditioning units for cars and light trucks

Pinkerton Security and Investigations, Kenmore, NY **1994-1999**

Contract Security and Investigations Firm

Security Officer

- Industrial security for multiple plant operations, shipment security audits, dispatch & communication coordination.
- Incipient fire suppression, fire inspection detail, fire apparatus operations.
- Emergency medical services, confined space rescue.

United States Army National Guard, Buffalo, NY **1993-2001**

United States Military Services, 105th Military Police Co, Masten Armory

E-4 Specialist

- Deployment to Bosnia: Operation Joint Forge 7/99 to 3/00.
- Peace keeping, security to local occupants of Headquarter building and perimeter.
- Expert Marksman, Army Service Ribbon, National Defense Service Medal, Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal, Armed Forces Reserve Medal with M Device, NATO Medal, Soldier of the Month.

Michael C. Griffin

Objective

To obtain a position, within a professional environment, in which I can utilize my extensive training in the fire service industry utilizing my skills/abilities

Experience

June 2011 - Present NYS Office of Children & Family Services Buffalo, New York

Fire/Safety Representative

Provide fire safety field services to adult and child care facilities to ensure that these facilities are in compliance with the applicable safety codes, regulations, state and local requirements. Conduct safety inspections, compile reports detailing findings and recommendations, and review evacuation plans to determine the facilities ability to respond to fire and other emergencies. Establish working relationships with local fire safety authorities in inspection of facilities, investigation of fire and other areas involving dual jurisdiction. Conduct safety awareness and regulatory requirement training.

September 2009 Buffalo Niagara International Airport Buffalo, New York

ARFF Firefighter

Under the general supervision of an Airport Station Captain, responds to an aircraft rescue and fire fighting (ARFF) team to an aircraft fire or emergency, structural fire, hazardous material spill, medical emergency or special rescue situation at a commercial airport. Under the direction of the Station Captain is directed to extinguish fires to protect lives and property, and rescue those passengers and crewmembers that may be trapped or injured. Operates the specialized Aircraft Rescue and Fire Fighting vehicles and equipment, and structural fire fighting vehicles and equipment. Performs fire inspections on airport facilities, flight line and hand-held fire extinguishers and hydrants. Clean and maintain the fire department facilities and grounds.

January 2003-
September 2009 Erie County Emergency Services Buffalo, New York

MERS Coordinator

Dispatch ambulances for the city of Buffalo using a CAD system. We answer phones for medical services for the city of Buffalo, using EMD protocols. All of the MERS coordinators are Nationally Certified EMD dispatchers (Emergency Medical Dispatcher) as well as Emergency Medical Technicians. Coordinate ambulance coverage in the city of Buffalo for the different zones through both ambulance services Rural Metro and Twin City. We also dispatch ambulances for the Greater Buffalo Niagara International Airport. We coordinate Large Scale MCI incidents as well as assist in hazardous materials response. We also dispatch medical command and fire coordinators throughout Erie County. We also answer phones for the Erie County Health Department after hours and during holidays. The office is open 24 hours a day 7 days a week. We coordinate ambulances when they are in need of medical direction for a call. We coordinate all of the hospitals in Erie County every 4 hours to determine their status (meaning if they can take anymore patients or not or if they are going to be delayed in patient care) or if they are going to be on full diversion because they can no longer

References

References are available on request.

Kevin M. Herzog

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Objective:

To obtain full-time employment in the fire-hazmat / EMS / safety training field.

Work History:

2017-Present McGard, Inc. – Orchard Park, NY

Job Title: Industrial Safety Engineer

Handle the development and deployment of safety policies for over 750 employees in a 317,000 square foot. heavy manufacturing, metal plating and distribution facility. Serve as lead for all facility safety related issues, emergency (hazmat) response, safety training, contractor safety, OSHA tracking and reporting, RCRA tracking and reporting, chemical safety, confined space, job safety analysis (JSA) of tasks, ergonomic improvements, and incident investigation. Demonstrate great attention to detail and multi-tasking, while keeping on schedule.

1994-2017 Greatbatch, Inc. (GB) – Alden, NY

Job Title: Environmental Health, Safety, & Security Engineer

Handled the development and deployment of safety policies in a light industrial production setting. Serve as lead for all facility safety related issues, emergency response, safety training, contractor safety, OSHA tracking and reporting, RCRA tracking and reporting, chemical safety, job safety analysis (JSA) of tasks, ergonomic improvements, new employee training, schedule and teach annual refresher topics (fire extinguishers, first aid, fire response, haz mat response, LOTO) and incident investigation. Demonstrate great attention to detail and multi-tasking, while keeping on schedule.

2009-Present Kevin Herzog, Inc - Lancaster, NY

Job Title: Owner / Lead Trainer

Demonstrate equipment, schedule and conduct training classes to a curriculum.

Education:

2013-Present Medialle College – Buffalo, New York

Disability Awareness Trainer
National Fire Academy (12 yrs.)
Indianapolis, IN for training at FDIC (7 yrs.)

Center for Domestic Preparedness Alumni Association – HazMat Response

Fallen Firefighter Memorial Weekend – Escort (3 yrs.)

National Fire Academy (NFA) Alumni Association
Firemans' Association of the State of New York – FASNY
Erie County Fire Chiefs' Mutual Aid Organization
New York State Fire Chiefs' Association
Southwestern Volunteer Firemans' Association
Western Volunteer Firemans' Association
Lancaster Fire Council
Lancaster Volunteer Ambulance Corps (LVAC)
Erie County Hazardous Materials MWD Response Team

References and salary requirements available upon request

James E Judd

206 Ludel Terrace
Lackawanna, New York 14218

Contact:

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Email: LFD_Judd@yahoo.com

Experience:

April 98 to Present	City of Lackawanna Fire Department
4-13-98	Firefighter/Emt
1-30-15	Promoted to Fire Lieutenant

Responsible for 2 firefighters, a fire station and 2 fire apparatus.
Responsible for creating fire pre-plans for my response area

Education:

06-98	Basic Fire Fighting Training (Buffalo Fire Academy)
	Fire Fighting Essentials
	Hazardous Material First Responder
	Incident Command System (NFA)
	Initial Fire Attack
	Pumper Ops
	Truck Company Ops
	Radiation Safety for Firefighters
02-08	Introduction to Fire Officer
11-16	National Certification-Fire Officer 1 (FLSTP)
	National Certification-Fire Service Instructor 1 (FLSTP)

Professional and Community Membership:

Member IAFF 3166
Member of VFW Webers.Post
Member of Irish Professional Firefighters

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Relevant Experience:

Fresenius Kabi

2013-2018 Aseptic Control Operator

Operation, sanitation, changeover and maintenance of high speed filling machinery in clean room conditions. Inventory control of changeover parts and product components. Completion and review of FDA regulated paperwork. Training of new employees.

2008-2013- Terminal Sterilization Operator

Operation and maintenance of large autoclave ovens. Responsible for sterilization of critical care injectible drugs in adherence to Federal regulations, appraisal of autoclave cycles and affirmation of compliance to validated protocols. Meticulous review of documentation, compilation of data and employment of statistical analysis to maximize the efficiency of associated production processes. Monitor inventory of consumable goods and effecting appropriate replenishment.

Associated Brands- 2007

Interim Supervisor and Acting Superintendent

Supervised operation of diverse sets of production lines and a rotating staff of twenty to thirty employees. Oversaw operation and managed all facets of third shift packaging. Responsible for detailed shift production reports, delegation of duties; staffing and production- scheduling for maximum efficiency including frequent mid shift floor assessments and alterations to accommodate last minute customer order changes, unexpected shortages of raw materials, machine breakdowns and staffing levels which were constantly in flux. I monitored finished product quality and played a role in employee hiring, training, discipline and termination. Covered third shift Plant Superintendent's time off while in addition to my regular duties I was responsible for operation of the entire facility including plant security and orchestration of first response team activities when necessary.

Safetec of America- 2006

Production Operator and Assistant Third Shift Supervisor

Ran and maintained filling and packaging equipment producing medical goods, prepackaged OSHA compliance and first aid kits. Responsible for quality and inventory control; assisted with production scheduling and employee supervision. Prepared finished goods for shipment, received materials.

Sweetworks- 2005-2006

Quality Control and Operations Supervisor

Supervised staff of 24 production line employees. Responsible for production scheduling and delegation of duties; generating production reports including data compilation and statistical analysis for the purpose of production projection.

Douglas E Lahnen
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Member of the Lancaster Fire Department from since 1972

Past Chief Lancaster Fire Department

Past Training Co-Coordinator Lancaster Fire Department

Current Safety Officer Lancaster Fire Department

Life Member NYSAFC, ECFCMAO, FASNY

Kenneth D. Walker
157 Washington Avenue
Kenmore, NY 14217
716-536-9112

Objective:

To seek employment with a growing company with a strong work ethic and one that values its employees.

Education:

Lockport High School
Lockport, NY, 2002-2006 (G.E.D)

Work Experience:

Audubon Machinery Corp.
North Tonawanda, NY (July.2015-Present.)

- I was responsible for the pickup and delivery of various machines to the company warehouse as well as picking up parts from various vendors in the area.
- I packed wrapped and crated various machines for transport both domestically and internationally.
- I packaged and shipped various small parcel packages via UPS, FedEx and USPS
- I built crates using plans for international shipping.
- I used fork lift and pallet jack for transporting machines around the warehouse.

Precious Plate
Niagara Falls, NY (Jan.2013-July-2015.)

- I operated a precious metal plating machine which involved measuring various materials and cutting them to the proper size.

Ethox Medical
Buffalo, NY, (April 2010-Jan.2013)

- I worked on production line assembling and occasionally inspecting various medical supplies.
- I drove the company van or box truck to deliver various medical supplies to hospitals and clinics in the area.

References available upon request.