

# James Branch

## **Production Supervisor**

Minnetonka, MN

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## Work Experience

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### **Production Supervisor**

BUHLER GROUP

2011 to 2018

- Hands-on supervisor for all BIB (Business in Business) departments, responsible for 3 shifts of production
- Responsibilities included on time production and quality using a Lean Manufacturing process. Hired, trained and supervised a yearly average of 20 employees
- Equipment and positions include: certified welding, robotic welding, weld inspection, cylindrical grinding, cylindrical corrugation, laser cutting, press brake, rolling, shipping, forklift, jib and overhead cranes
- Programs: SAP program used to manage and control production, Lean Manufacturing - ISO 9001, UMAMTIS program used to supervise employee progress, Microsoft Office
- Committee Involvement: Safety Committee; Health and Wellness Committee; United Way Committee

### **Production Manager**

HELICAL DYNAMICS INCORPORATED

1996 to 2011

Applying the Lean Manufacturing process, in order to grow the company from an assembly plant to a self-sufficient manufacturing plant

- Supervised shop employees to ISO manufacturing specifications
- Trained and instructed employees on all aspects of the equipment, sound decibel equipment, high voltage hook-ups, assembly etc.
- Responsible for quality of equipment and on-time shipping
- Collaborated directly with the owners, engineers and shop employees
- Shop safety coordinator. Provided training for OSHA, SDS, and fork truck

### **Supervisor**

STREMEL MANUFACTURING CORPORATION

1991 to 1996

- Managed and oversaw welding, sheet metal, press brake, machining and shipping departments
- Managed and directed employees with special attention to high tolerance procedures
- Inspected work quality for adherence to company specifications

Lead Person, Welding & Grinding

- Organized and delegated the workload
- Oversaw the design and production of product

Production Coordinator for Certified Jobs

- Trained existing staff for certified welding program
- Designed, manufactured and set up necessary fixtures

### **Lead Person, Welding & Grinding**

HARMONY ENGINEERING CORPORATION

1984 to 1991

- Coordinated jobs
- Inspected parts for weld quality
- Supervised welding and grinding personnel

Lead Person, Special Project

- Trained inexperienced welders
- Oversaw and corrected any problems with weld quality

Certified Welder (aluminum, stainless, mild steel)

### **Trainer**

TWIN CITY FAN & BLOWER

1980 to 1984

- 1 of 4 employees selected to aid the transfer of operations to South Dakota
- Set-up and trained all new employees of sheet metal and welding departments

Lead Person, All Sheet Metal Departments

- Oversaw layout, shearing, punching, press brake and welding of all material used in production

Welder

## Education

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### **Associate degree in Welding**

Dunwoody Industrial Institute

### **Basic Metallurgy**

Hennepin Technical College

## Skills

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- Lean
- Sheet Metal
- Sheetmetal
- Press Brake

## Certifications and Licenses

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### **Welding**