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Professional engineer with extensive experience successfully overseeing all phases of multi-million dollar highway and bridge construction program for the Florida Department of Transportation District 5.. After retirement 7 years of construction contract dispute resolution experience serving on many Dispute Review Boards throughout Florida. Parties involved included Florida Department of Transportation, Expressway Authorities, Contractors, Airports, and County Government.

Employment Summary

Served on approximately 40 Dispute Review Boards throughout Florida 2002-2009

The Boards provide expertise in technical areas and administration of construction contracts to assist the owner and Contractor in resolving disputes and avoiding litigation. Most of the projects were multi-million dollar highway and bridge projects.

District Construction Engineer for Florida Department of Transportation 1987-2000

Directed the highway and bridge construction program for District Five which incorporated nine counties in central Florida. Responsible for all phases of construction contract administration. Analyzed construction claims and negotiated with contractors for settlement. Supervised four Resident Engineer Offices along with District Office with combined staff of approximately 200 employees.

Maintenance Engineer for Florida Department of Transportation 1982-1987

Managed the activities of the Orlando Maintenance Yard responsible for the maintenance of the state highway and bridge system in highway and bridge in Orange and Osceola county Florida.

Construction Project engineer for the Florida Department of Transportation 1970-1981

Responsible for all contract administration on various highway and bridge construction projects in Oranges, Seminole, and Osceola County Florida.

Engineer Trainee for the Florida Department of Transportation 1968-1970

Successfully completed two year program developing engineering skills through assignments and study covering all aspects of department operations.

CERTIFICATIONS AND TRAINING

Florida Professional Engineer License #31942
Dispute Review Board Administration and Practice workshop
Calculating loss of efficiency and extended overhead claims
AASHTO/FDOT Leadership Academy
Construction Disputes Seminar
Construction Claims Seminar

