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HISTORY, BACKGROUND & EXPERTISE

Founded in 2001, Occupational Safety Consultants has worked with hundreds of clients nationally. With nearly 20 years of experience in health and safety, coupled with extensive hands-on field knowledge, the company, the team and its founder apply a wealth of knowledge to managing and mitigating risk for clients in general industry, construction, transportation and healthcare. For more than three decades, Mr. Ballantine has worked in various capacities in health and safety with the New York State Department of Labor, including positions as a Senior Safety Inspector and Supervising Safety & Health Inspector. He has experience in construction, general industries and municipalities, including working in venues like amusement parks, ski resorts and at county fairs. Mr. Ballantine also has vast experience developing and implementing effective Safety and Health Management Systems.

INDUSTRIES & MARKETS SERVED

Government Agencies Industry & Manufacturing Transportation & Maritime
Public Works Departments Construction Companies Professional Service Firms
Municipalities & Public Authorities General Contractors Small Business/Retail
Healthcare & Hospitals Distribution & Warehousing Mining

PARTIAL CLIENT LIST

CORPORATE: Eastman Kodak Company • Xerox • Corning • 3M • Occidental Chemical • Wegmans • Turner Construction • AIG • Travelers • conEdison • Siemens • Fresh Start Bakeries of North America • Oldcastle **EDUCATION:** West Point Military Academy • Hamilton College • SUNY Geneseo • SUNY Old Westbury Niagara County Community College • Ulster County Community College • University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey • University of Rochester • Rochester Institute of Technology • Hobart and William Smith College **GOVERNMENT:** NYC Department of Environmental Protection • NYC Department of Buildings • NYC Department of Design and Construction • New York State Police • Town of Brighton

KNOWLEDGE BASE

Scaffolds & LaddersWeldingProgram AssessmentCranes & RiggingConstruction SafetyTraining & ProceduresAerial/Scissor/Fork LiftsSafety ComplianceOSHA & ANSIAccident InvestigationEmployee SafetyFederal/NYS Labor LawsMachine GuardingFall ProtectionHazard/Crisis Response

- **Safety consulting.** Working with small-to-medium sized companies, including identifying safety deficiencies, developing plans of corrective action and assisting clients in earning SHARP status.
- ▶ State and Federal Regulations. Broad knowledge of OSHA compliance, Federal and NYS Labor Law (including but not limited to §240 (1), §241 (6) and §200), Department of Labor safety regulations, risk management policy development and safety training program development.
- **Specialized knowledge.** Strong knowledge of best practices in fall protection, electrical requirements and safety program development.
- ▶ **Hazard assessment.** Hands-on experience conducting more than 1,000 hazard assessment surveys of small-to-medium sized businesses regionally.
- **Training materials development.** Experienced devising and implementing materials used in conducting health and safety training.
- **Regulatory expertise.** Compliance assessments, risk management audits and process evaluations.

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SAFETY TRAINING COMPLETED

OSHA 150-Basic On-Site Consultation

OSHA 204-Machine Guarding

OSHA 200A-Construction

OSHA 303-Concrete, Forms & Shoring

OSHA 225-Principles of Ergonomics

OSHA 106-Shipyard Process Course

OSHA 304-Power Press Guarding

OSHA 833-Safety & Health Program Assessment

OSHA 225-Principles of Ergo Applied to Work-Related Musculoskeletal/Nerve Disorder

OSHA 8200-Incident Command Systems I-200

OSHA 3600-OSHA Technical Assistance for Emergencies

OSHA 501-Trainer Course in OSHA Standards for General Industry

OSHA 500-Trainer Course in OSHA Standards for Construction

OSHA 3500-Demolition

OSHA 3360-Healthcare

OSHA 3190-Electric Power Generation, Transmission & Distribution Course

OSHA 2250-Principles of Ergo Applied to WR Musculoskeletal/Nerve Disorder

OSHA 503-Outreach Trainer Update for General Industry

OSHA 1330-Consultation Systems Assessment Training

OSHA 502-Outreach Trainer Update for Construction

40-Hour HAZWOPER

OSHA MUTCD Training

OSHA Lead & Silica Training

Game of Logging: Level 1

Safe Patient Handling Training

PROFESSIONAL HISTORY & AFFILIATIONS

Occupational Safety Consultants, *Trainer and Consultant* (2016-Present)

New York State Department of Labor-Department of Occupational Safety and Health

Supervising Safety & Health Inspector/Onsite Consultation Program (1994-2016)

Supervised field and office staff for two district offices. Conducted survey visits in both Construction and General Industries. Assisted in development and implementation of effective S&H Management Systems. Provided training for employers as requested, including OSHA 10 and 30-hour Outreach Training. Served as expert for Civil Service Exams. Piloted and instituted report writing by field staff. Developed standardized NCR templates to improve efficiency of report writing. Created appropriate handout materials for consultation staff. Standardized S&H Management System review materials for program staff. Developed productivity and accountability forms for program manager and district supervisors. Provided expert support for revision of NYS crane operator rule. Developed state consultation training plan and functioned as OSHA training coordinator. Updated and organized program statewide equipment inventory. Served as a past member and chaired DOL Hudson Valley S&H committee and a past member of DOL Statewide S&H committee.

Senior Safety & Health Inspector/Onsite Consultation Program (1992-1994)

Conducted survey visits in both Construction and General Industries. Assisted in development and implementation of effective S&H Management Systems. Provided training for employers as requested.

Safety & Health Inspector/Industry Inspection Bureau (1986-1992)

Conducted inspections of amusement devices, circus tents and bleachers, aerial performers, ski tows and slopes, places of public assembly, explosive magazines and licensing, crane operator licensing, window washing scaffolding and coin operated laundries. Opened numerous new places of public assembly, developing case file sketches as

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required. Inspected sole fixed amusement park (Rye Playland) every year during tenure. Assisted in inspection of all major county fairs (Westchester, Rockland and Orange) annually. Conducted load tests and accident investigations as required. Shut down amusement devices and cranes as required.

Kollmorgen Corporation Additive Products Division

Chemical Process Controller/Analyzer

Conducted systematic bench analyses of bath chemicals, adjusted formulation and temperatures as necessary and recalibrated controllers to obtain desired product. Monitored plating characteristics utilizing visual observation, testing equipment, and microscopic cross-sections. Maintained controllers and module equipment and filtration as required. Maintained appropriate recordkeeping of plating and sampling activities, and briefed incoming staff during shift changes.

EDUCATION

Dowling College

NYS Teaching Certification, General Science 7th-12th grade: Biology & Chemistry, Math 7th-12th grade

Stony Brook University

Bachelor of Science, Biology