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Summary: 30+ years as the head of high-performance textiles research & development, manufacturing, marketing, and sales for the leading global sailmaking company. Senior management oversight of laminate fabrics, spread filament/film-based roll goods, and hybrid woven/laminated/flexible composite fabrics. Commercial Director across multiple business units including Finance, Product Group, Sales, Marketing, and Manufacturing. Expertise incorporating polyester, Aramid, UHMWPE, carbon fiber, PBO, fibers into lightweight, strong and durable sailcloth and outdoor fabrics for the most demanding applications.

1985 to 1987: Canada's Challenge for the America's Cup, Fremantle Australia, Crewmember on 12 Meter yachts "True North" and "Canada II", initiated and ran a photogrammetry sailshape analysis program.

1988 to 1990: Sail Consultant/Client Account Representative at Hood Sails, Marblehead MA and Portsmouth RI.

1991 to 1992: Sail Consultant and Production Manager, North Sails, Milford CT

1993 to 1998: Operations Manager, North Sails Group Inc, Milford CT

1998 to 2003: Vice President, Ockam Instruments (yacht performance instrument system), Milford CT

2003 to 2024: President North Cloth Div. of North Sails, Head of North Sails Advanced Textiles, Commercial Director North Sails Group

Education: 1985 Graduate of Dalhousie University Faculty of Arts and Sciences

2024 Milestones: Brought North Sails' Aerotech Nylon and Polyester downwind fabrics to market (www.northsails.com/en-us/pages/north-panel-laminate-renew)

Brought North Sails flagship sustainability program, RENEW laminated sailcloth, to market (2024 DAME Award Winner in Materials category at 2024 METS Amsterdam)

<https://www.northsails.com/en-us/pages/aerotech-spinnaker-cloth>