M. Nathan Akridge CHST, CSM | 850-865-7830 | mnakridge@outlook.com

Highly skilled and motivated leader with a proven record of accomplishment and outstanding performance in construction safety management. Expert trainer with strong written and verbal communication skills, known for diplomacy and tact. Demonstrated success in educating others on health and safety concepts and regulatory requirements.

Education & Training

University of Alabama — Interdisciplinary Studies with Depth Study in Leadership (72 credits earned)

Stanford University — Certificate in Project Management

BCSP — Construction Health & Safety Technician (CHST)

ACSP — Construction Safety Manager (CSM)

University of South Florida — OSHA 510 Standards Course for the Construction Industry

OSHA Authorized Outreach Trainer — 2010 to 2023

American Safety & Health Institute —

Authorized Instructor: First Aid, CPR, & AED

NASP — Fall Protection Elevated Structure Safety Technician

NASP — HAZWOPER Training Specialist

Instructor — for Aerial Lift (MEWP) & Powered Industrial Truck (Forklift)

Specific Achievements

- Restructured hazard recognition process, resulting in a 39% increase in closed hazard identifications.
- Achieved a record-setting 1,400 safe workdays without an OSHA recordable at Ascend Decatur, AL.
- Awarded the Thomas J. Reynolds Certificate of Achievement (2011).
- Received the ThyssenKrupp Safe Contractor Award (2010).
- Successfully completed the \$16 million Hot Strip Mill Down Coiler Upgrade for ArcelorMittal without an OSHA recordable.
- Honored with the 3000 Chemstrand Trophy for Best Safety Performance (2017).
- Recognized by the U.S. Department of State for managing an effective safety program (2018).
- Named Safety Professional of the Month at Yates Corporation (December 2022).

Experience

Baker Roofing Company

Regional Safety Manager | April 2023 – Present

Oversee the safety program for 300+ employees across three regional offices within the Southwest Virginia Division, specializing in commercial roofing operations. Successfully developed and implemented Accident Prevention and Fall Protection Plans, contributing to the injury-free completion of the Merck Pharmaceutical Building 80A project.

Yates Construction

Project Safety Manager | April 2022 – March 2023

Managed the safety and health program for the construction of the 1111 Church and 1515 Division Street high-rise projects in the Gulch area of downtown Nashville. Collaborated with the Regional Safety Manager to support frontline leadership training and assist in the development of safety programs.

Turner Industries

Manager – Safety & Security | December 2019 – January 2022
Directed safety and health operations for over 200 resident contractors at Ascend Performance Materials in Pensacola, FL. Achieved 100% compliance with training metrics within the first quarter. Collaborated with project planners to create safe work plans that enhanced safety conditions and reduced costs by \$10,500. Successfully onboarded 400 additional contractors in just five days to support the 2020 Nylon Emergency Startup—completed without significant injuries or adverse events Universal Safety Pros LLC

Senior Safety Advisor | January 2018 – December 2019

Provided safety consulting and guidance to construction management teams on high-profile projects, including the new U.S. Embassy in Beirut, Lebanon; Facebook Data Center in Huntsville, AL; Google Data Center in Bridgeport, AL; and Amazon Airport Hub in Cincinnati, OH.

The Mundy Companies

Site Contract Manager | April 2013 – December 2017
Initially hired in Decatur, AL to manage the safety and health program for up to 150 maintenance and operations contractors at Ascend Performance Materials. Promoted to Site Manager in 2017 and transferred to the Pensacola, FL facility to oversee all aspects of the site contract.

Stevens Engineers & Constructors

Safety Director | December 2009 – April 2013

Initially hired to coordinate safety for up to 800 union contractors on the \$3.5 billion steel mill construction project in Calvert, AL. Promoted to Project Safety Manager in 2011, overseeing the safety program for the Midwest Steel Wastewater Treatment Modernization Project in Portage, IN. Upon successful project completion, retained as Division Safety Director for the Northwest Indiana Division, managing safety programs for maintenance and new construction at U.S. Steel Gary Works, Midwest Steel, and AMNS facilities.

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