

Dr. David M. Brani, Ph.D., P.E.

Dr. Brani has experience in the fields of product failures, building code compliance, industrial accidents and thermal & fluid systems including HVAC and other mechanical systems. A particular interest of Dr. Brani's is Machine Safeguarding. He routinely serves as an instructor for an OSHA Machine Safeguarding course and is an active member of ASSE. Dr. Brani earned his Ph.D. in Mechanical Engineering from the Georgia Institute of Technology and taught at Southern Polytechnic State University for 12 years including a 1 year position in Southern Africa as a Fulbright Scholar. He is a registered Professional Engineer and is an instructor for a Professional Engineer refresher course. He has provided expert testimony on numerous occasions.

Mark Elrod, P.E., C.W.I.

Mr. Elrod holds a Bachelor of Science in Mechanical Engineering Technology from Southern Technical Institute. Mr. Elrod has experience in the design and mechanical integrity analysis of pressure vessels, boilers and piping systems. Mr. Elrod has a Commercial Drivers License (CDL) and has experience with heavy trucks and related components, as well as automotive drive line and engine analysis. He is an active member of the American Welding Society (AWS), and the American Society of Mechanical Engineers (ASME). Mr. Elrod has provided expert testimony for both plaintiff and defense cases.

Mr. David M. Paul

Mr. Paul has experience in the fields of industrial and household product failure analysis, vehicle accident reconstruction, vehicle component analysis, OSHA & ANSI compliance, machine guarding, and ladders & scaffolding. Mr. Paul received his Bachelor of Science from Southern College of Technology in Mechanical Engineering Technology. Mr. Paul is a member of the American National Standards Institute (ANSI) Ladder Standards and Safety Committee, A14. Mr. Paul has provided expert testimony for both plaintiff and defense cases.

Mr. Jeffrey D. Hyatt

Mr. Hyatt has experience in industrial accidents, product defect investigations and maintenance deficiency issues. Mr. Hyatt earned his Bachelor of Science in Mechanical Engineering Technology from Southern Polytechnic State University. He is also an active member of the Society of Automotive Engineers. Mr. Hyatt is a F.A.A Certified Private Pilot and has a Commercial Drivers License (CDL). Mr. Hyatt has extensive experience in the analysis of automotive, heavy truck and aircraft component failures. He can also perform complex vehicle system testing and analysis. Mr. Hyatt has provided expert testimony numerous times for both plaintiff and defense cases.

Mr. Roy F. Gottschalk, Jr.

Mr. Gottschalk is an accredited accident Reconstructionist with the Accreditation Commission for Traffic Accident Reconstruction (ACTAR). Mr. Gottschalk holds an Associate of Science degree in Engineering Technology from Gainesville College. Mr. Gottschalk has received extensive training from Northwestern University Traffic Institute and the Institute for Police Training and Management (IPTM) in the fields of vehicle dynamics and commercial vehicle inspection. Having managed a fleet of commercial vehicles for twelve years, his experience uniquely qualifies Mr. Gottschalk as it relates to fleet truck operations. In his years as a full-time traffic accident reconstructionist, Mr. Gottschalk has developed an efficient and scientifically sound method of field data collection that provides a high degree of detail and accuracy.