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EXPERIENCE

Author of Massachusetts Natural Gas Legislation (2014) Section 105A, Chapter 164 MGL “An Act Relative to Natural Gas Leak”

NatGas Consulting (2011-Present)

Natural gas expert-consulting services, investigate natural gas explosions & carbon monoxide poisoning cases for clients including evidence identification, witness interviews and historical research. Case research & review, discovery development, providing expert witness testimony based on the evidence and experience as a natural gas expert.

New England Gas Workers Association (NEGWA)

Chairman and President (2005-Present)

Draft and propose new legislation and direct NEGWA’s legislative agenda; Provide legal and legislative testimony; Serve as a media director and liaison regarding story development and post-incident commentary; Maintain professional relationships with cities and towns and serve as their source of technical information; Maintain professional relationships with members of pipeline safety regulatory agencies; Provide expert witness testimony for legal cases and legislative matters; Maintain regulatory compliance for MA, NH, RI, and federal statutes with respect to interpretation and investigation; Ensure the enforcement of compliance regulations; Research regulatory history; Pursue complaints and violations with the Dept. of Transportation and New England and State Regulatory agencies; Represent clients as an intervener in merger, rate cases, regulatory policy decisions, and investigations
Provide public testimony for specific docket proceedings; Participate in discovery proceedings; Provide expertise in field investigations, including: performing leak surveys as an independent 3rd party, investigating leaks at public companies, rechecking known gas leaks that remain un-repaired, inspecting regulatory violations; Responding to and investigating incidents/explosions involving natural gas.

Affordable Heating

Proprietor (1997-2001)

UWUA Local 446G. BUW-UWUA Local 318

Labor Representative (1993-2005)

New England Director of Gas Regulatory and Legislative Matters
Brotherhood of Utility Workers of New England (BUWNE) 1999-2002
President 2003-2005, Regulatory Enforcement and Legislative matters 1999-2005

National Grid Gas Company (Formerly Keyspan/Boston Gas)

Meter Reading (1991-1992)

Perform Field Services (PFR) Tech (1992-2010)

District Regulator Leader (2010-2011)

Emergency leak response; Leak investigation; Leak grading; Leak survey; Meter work; Gas service installation; Gas leak underground repairs; Service regulator responsible for repair and replacement; Perform gas fitting installations and repair; District Regulator for inspections, repair and replacement.

Larry Miller Productions

Technical Assistant Director (1989- 1991)

U.S. NAVY, Naval Test Center, Pawtuxet River, MD

Civilian Contractor Classified Duties (1987-1989)

U.S. Marine Corp 1981-1986

Quality Assurance (QA) Inspector, Flight Operations - Power Plants

1.5 years of Aviation School
Aircraft “Plane Captain”
High Power Engine Test Certified
Honorable Discharge

EDUCATION

University of Massachusetts, Boston, MA, 1993-1995 (Labor Guild)

Boston English High School, Boston, MA, May 1981