

# JAMES BLUM

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## PROFESSIONAL SUMMARY

**Process Betterment • Team Building • Conflict Management • Leadership • Client Relations**

Experienced professional in Product/System Engineering and Process Technology roles, who specializes in leading collaborative efforts to save the company time and money and demonstrates an ability to creatively approach challenges with viable and practical solutions. A life-long go-getter whose attention to detail, proactive planning, competitive spirit and ability to “wear many hats” has shown the ability to view the big picture and make consultative assessments.

## EXPERIENCE

**NexPress Solutions, Inc. – Rochester, NY**

**2003 - Present**

***Integration and Checkout Operator – Assembly Operations – Digital Color Production***

- Teamed with Engineering and Tooling to create procedures for Assembly Operations. These Standard Operating Procedures resulted in reducing expense through reduced downtime of machinery, reduced number of repairs and reduced product flow time
- Proposed improvements to the Strip and Salvage Program which proactively addressed waste in the process. Initiated recycling of washers that saved the company \$20,000 per year
- Demonstrated ability to solve unstructured problems. Resolved a quality issue by removing excess toner dust from the assembly area

**Heidelberg Digital LLC. – Rochester, NY**

**1999 – 2003**

**Senior Technician – Materials and Advanced Technology**

- Designed improvements to Electrophotographic components in a digital high-speed printing device thereby increasing product quality
- Created and performed test scenarios intended to stress the overall design and engineering of digital high speed printing devices. This helped to identify issues early in the production and improve the quality of the product sent to customers
- Worked cross-departmentally with Field Engineers to solve customer product concerns. Presented issues and resolution to Senior Management
- Was chosen to demonstrate “Multi-Bit” printer at an international conference in Germany (DRUPA '00). Demonstrated functionality and usability to potential customers in a live international environment
- Co-authored two patents for the toning station, both of which enabled a process to increase flow and efficiency simultaneously. Patented solution also added flexibility by making other materials experience increased flow

**Eastman Kodak Company, Rochester, NY**

**1992 – 1999**

**Process Technician – Electrophotographic Process Image and Quality Competency Center**

- Acted as the technical lead for sub-assembly failures on the production floor. Addressed and resolved time sensitive production issues quickly and effectively
- Served as toning station specialist; traveled to customer locations as company product/process expert in instances where field support was unable to solve problems with the toning station
- Assisted production process engineers in streamlining production process and created new tools and procedures to simplify adjustment of sub assembly, which resulted in cost and time savings, as well as improving overall quality
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**Eastman Kodak Company, Rochester, NY**

**1991 – 1992**

***Systems Engineer – Product Engineering Group – Office Imaging***

- Developed assembly processes, written procedures, and specifications which increased production efficiency
- Managed the troubleshooting of mission critical problems, including redesign of production parts and tooling to achieve deadlines
- Served as member of the Assembly Process Improvement Team.

**Eastman Kodak Company, Rochester, NY**

**1989 – 1991**

***Electrical Technician – New Product Development Group – Copy Products***

- Worked with suppliers to implement changes to the latest configuration on power supplies and circuit boards. This improved the quality of the final product

**Eastman Kodak Company, Rochester, NY**

**1971 – 1989**

***Product Engineering Group - Copy Products***

- Designed layouts of prototype circuit boards; built the latest configuration and installed for testing

## **EDUCATION**

**Monroe Community College – Rochester, NY**

**1985 – 1987**

**Associate Degree – Electrical**

**Eastman Kodak Training**

Courses Taken in: Six Sigma, Quality, Taguchi Design of Experiments, Lab View, CES DE Digimaster Printer

**Military Training**

**1972 – 1978**

Army National Guard

## **ACTIVITIES**

Firefighter – Lakeville Fire Department

NCAA College Football Official

Section V High School Football Official

Coach - Junior Varsity Girls Basketball

Assistant Coach - Varsity Football and Freshman Basketball

Fishing and Boating

March 15, 2009

My name is James Blum and I am interested in a full time position with your company.

My experience started with completing an AAS degree in Electronics, and I have had manufacturing, design technician and R & D experience in my career. I am a seasoned problem solver, who is able to work cross-functionally and cross-departmentally and a person who is very team oriented. I have always been a self-motivator, which is demonstrated by the strip and salvage program I implemented and creating plans for toner quality increases.

I feel that I have many skills that would benefit your company and would like the opportunity to talk with you about my background.

Thank you for taking the time looking at my resume and I look forward to talking with you.

Best regards,

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