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STATEMENT

A sustainable lifestyle instills respect for functional elegance. From poetry to product development, I've dedicated my career to the refinement of motion, seeking ways for people to enjoy more while using less. As we move into a more ecologically conscious era, new challenges offer unimagined opportunities for those with the vision to meet them. In being a part of this century's solution, I welcome the chance for growth.

EXPERIENCE

May 2008-Present: Lead, [Consolidated Fabrications](#).

Design and build products for the bicycle and outdoor fitness industries. Using SolidWorks 3D CAD software and over a decade of mechanical experience, I have seen several projects through from sketch to SLA prototype. Consolidated Fabrications is currently exploring a new system to monitor personal health data.

July 2008-Present: Bicycle Technician, Eastern Mountain Sports, Fairfield, CT.

Responsible for sales, assembly and repair of customers' bicycles. Assessing riders' needs and recommending the best gear is essential for fostering brand loyalty and repeat business.

February-April, 2008: Bicycle messenger, Breakaway Courier, New York, NY.

Picked up and delivered packages, via bicycle, on the island of Manhattan. Detailed knowledge of city streets and the ability to ride safely in traffic was critical.

2005-2008: Sales associate and service coordinator, Dave's Cycle and Fitness, Cos Cob, CT.

Sold, repaired and built custom bicycles. Sourced hard-to-find merchandise and ensured overall customer satisfaction. My own experience riding and racing bicycles helped me guide riders toward the best possible cycling experience.

2005-2006: News reporter and associate editor, Hersam Acorn Newspapers, Fairfield County, CT.

Researched, photographed and wrote articles on local government, land-use issues, business and breaking news. Interviewed noteworthy Connecticut residents for front page feature stories. Daily tasks included responding to reader feedback and designing pages for print and web using Adobe InDesign, Photoshop and Acrobat.

2003-2005: Volunteer mechanic and instructor, Right to Move, Montreal, QC, Canada.

Worked to develop a hands-on curriculum for bicycle novices and helped new cyclists maintain their bikes. Collaborated with Concordia University's engineering department to build part-specific tools not available from component manufacturers and drafted step-by-step instructions for their use.

Summer 2001: Research intern and copywriter, E Magazine, Norwalk CT.

Researched and wrote articles and columns on the environment and climate change. For the *Ask E!* column, I helped readers make greener decisions by answering their “eco-questions” accurately, with a dash of wit.

1999-2000: Region 9 Board of Education Representative, Joel Barlow High School Student Council.

Attended Board of Education meetings to serve as a liaison between Board members, district management and students.

EDUCATION

European Graduate School, Saas-Fee, Switzerland – Masters of Arts in Media and Communications, ongoing.

University of Cambridge (at Embassy CES, NY, NY) – Certificate in English Language Teaching to Adults (CELTA), 2005.

Concordia University, Montreal, Canada – Bachelor of Arts, Creative Writing, 2005.

Wesleyan University, Middletown, CT – 2000-2001.

Joel Barlow High School, Redding, CT – Diploma, 2000.

SKILLS

Strong written, visual and interpersonal communication.

Thorough knowledge of best practices in bicycle sales, maintenance and tuning.

Proficient in multiple software suites, including SolidWorks 3D CAD, MS Office, and Adobe CS3.

Fluent in written and spoken French.

REFERENCES

Mitchell Hirsch, manager, *Eastern Mountain Sports, store 27*, (203) 334-7006, mfhirsch@optonline.net.

Glen VanCura, owner, Craig Wittmann, manager, *Dave's Cycle & Fitness*, (203) 661-7736, craig.wittmann@gmail.com.

Jack Sanders, Executive Editor, *The Ridgefield Press*, (800) 880-6970, newsroom@acorn-online.com.

Jim Motavalli, Editor, *E Magazine*, (203) 854-5559, ex. 107, jimm@emagazine.com.

Michael Thybault, manager, *Right to Move*, (514) 999-4885, rtm@pirg.ca.