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Dr. Kruger is a Senior Managing Consultant at Engineering Systems Inc. (ESi) and Manager of Iowa Operations. He has 30 years of experience in computer-generated 3D animations and other graphics for engineering and scientific illustration. He has supervised litigation projects, as well as a wide range of interactive, software, and educational projects. His project experience has involved aviation, patent infringement, ground vehicle, product liability, environmental, maritime, oil and gas operations, and construction delay/defect.

Prior to joining ESi, Dr. Kruger served as President at Demonstratives, Inc. for over 10 years. While there he supervised litigation projects involving the design and manufacture of automotive and aerospace components, ground water, air contamination and maritime simulation models, accident reconstructions utilizing vehicle and occupant motion simulation software, performance of medical devices and implants, and hydroelectric, coal-fired, and nuclear power generation. Dr. Kruger also managed maintenance and development of their proprietary animation and simulation software tools.

Positions Held

Engineering Systems Inc., Ames, Iowa

Senior Managing Consultant, 2015 – Present Manager of Iowa Operations, 2015 – Present Senior Consultant, 2014 – 2015

Demonstratives, Inc., Ames, Iowa

President, 2004 – 2014 Vice President, 2001 – 2004

Engineering Animation, Inc., Ames, Iowa

Senior Project Manager, 1998 – 2001 Project Manager, 1995 – 1998 Dynamacist/Animator, 1994 – 1995

Iowa State University, Ames, Iowa

National Science Foundation, Research Assistant, 1992 – 1995 Naval Research Laboratory, Research Assistant, 1990 – 1992 Graduate Teaching Assistant, 1990 – 1991

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Education

PhD, Aerospace Engineering and Engineering Mechanics, Iowa State University, 1995

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BS, Physics and Mathematics, Morningside College, 1989

Areas of Specialization

Animation

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Publications

Industrial Tugger 3-Dimensional Convergence Accident Reconstruction Technology

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