



STATEMENT OF QUALIFICATIONS

Marcus DePontes
Executive Director

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Academic Background

BS Business Management - Rutgers University, New Brunswick, NJ, 1986
MS Safety Management – West Virginia University, 1988

Professional Background

Mr. DePontes has been the Executive Director for StoneGate Associates (“SGA”) since 2004 and is responsible for the day to day management of the consulting firm.

Prior to founding SGA, he served for twelve years as a Project Manager for the PMK Group and the Manager of Public Safety & Security for Morristown Memorial Hospital (600-bed trauma center), The Atlantic Rehabilitation Institute of Morristown Memorial (ARI), The Dialysis Center of Northwest Jersey, 111 Madison Ambulatory Surgery Center and the 95 Madison Avenue Annex.

He has developed numerous safety, fire safety, security and emergency management programs for a variety of industries including: *Public Schools (K-12), Colleges and Universities and Healthcare facilities*. In addition, he has assisted several healthcare facilities with Environment of Care compliance programs including Safety Committee development, training, and regulatory compliance.

He is the former Education Committee Chairman for the Morris County Emergency Preparedness Infrastructure Advisory Group. In this capacity he assisted in coordinating security and emergency response procedures and protocols for schools (K-12) and Colleges/Universities in Morris County.

His specific accomplishments include:

- ❑ Delivery of Safety, Fire Safety, Security and Emergency Management presentations to several K-12, College and University and State groups and organizations.
- ❑ Development of safety programs, safety audit programs, safety committees and regulatory compliance activities.
- ❑ Development of “all hazards” emergency management plans and programs for healthcare facilities, schools (K-12) and colleges and universities to conform to the Joint Commission, FEMA, National Fire Protection Association, New Jersey Department of Education and New Jersey Domestic Preparedness Act standards.
- ❑ Preparation of emergency response management plans for weapons of mass destruction to include biological (anthrax, smallpox, etc.), chemical and radiological threats.

- ❑ Coordinating appropriate emergency response procedures and hazard vulnerability assessments (HVA) with local, county office of emergency management, and state emergency response officials.
- ❑ Development and facilitation of functional and tabletop drills for emergencies such as Smallpox communication failure, and severe storm.
- ❑ Tracking of specific terrorist and security threats, issued by the law enforcement and the Department of Homeland Security, for healthcare facilities and educational facilities.
- ❑ Preparation of federal grants for schools (K-12) and healthcare facilities to secure appropriate security and emergency management funding.
- ❑ Development of Workplace Violence Programs to ensure OSHA compliance.
- ❑ Development and presentation of training programs on security, emergency management and fire safety to general staff, faculty, law enforcement, and security professionals to include: Homeland Security, Workplace Violence, Bomb Threat, Evacuation, Shelter in Place, Lockdown, Infant Abduction, Crime Prevention, etc.
- ❑ Development of NCMEC compliant child abduction response plans and training programs for schools, healthcare facilities and county law enforcement departments.
- ❑ Development of emergency response and security policy and procedure manuals for individual healthcare facilities as well as the New Jersey Hospital Association.
- ❑ Conducting safety and security audits to include recommendations for risk reduction and technology implementation.
- ❑ Conducting fire safety audits and “Statement of Condition” surveys to comply with the NFPA’s Life Safety Code.
- ❑ Serving as a security expert witness in negligent security litigation cases.

Mr. DePontes was formally a Healthcare Safety Instructor for the Emergency Care Research Institute (ECRI) in Plymouth Meeting, Pennsylvania and has written several fire safety articles for ECRI’s Center for Healthcare Environmental Management.

Professional Certifications

- Certified Homeland Security Level IV - American College of Forensic Examiners Institute
- National Incident Management System, IS700 & 800 – FEMA
- Certified Fire Inspector, #02-27-96
- Certified Healthcare Environmental Manager, #98-036
- Certified in CDT Non-Deadly Force Training, #NJ-S-99118
- Certified Last Resort Training Tactics-Personal Defense #NJ-AHS-055

Professional Affiliations

- Member New Jersey Business Force for Homeland Security
- Member, American Society of Safety Engineers
- Member, American Society for Industrial Security
- Member, National Fire Protection Association