

EDUCATION

- 1988 **Bachelor of Science, Mechanical Engineering (with Honors)**
University of California at Santa Barbara, Santa Barbara, California
- 1990 **Masters of Science, Mechanical Engineering**
University of California at Santa Barbara, Santa Barbara, California
- 1993 **Doctorate of Philosophy, Mechanical Engineering**
University of California at Santa Barbara, Santa Barbara, California

EXPERIENCE

- 2000
to Present **Engineering Design & Testing Corp.**
Santa Rosa, California
Consulting Engineer
University of California at Santa Barbara, Santa Barbara, California
- 1994
to 2000 **DBZahl, Ph.D.**
Santa Rosa, California
Consulting Engineer
Investigation into the sequence of events and cause of vehicle accidents, pedestrian accidents, and product/component failures.
- 1988
to 1992 **JKS Associates**
Santa Rosa, California
Associate Engineer
Accident site surveys, literature searches, velocity change calculations, stress-strain calculations as related to product/component failure, photography, and construction of exemplar models.
- 1988
to 1992 **R.S. Hickman**
Santa Rosa, California
Engineering Technician
Accident site surveys, literature searches, velocity change calculations, stress-strain calculations as related to product/component failure, photography, and construction of exemplar models.
- 1995
to 2000 **Optical Engineering, Inc.**
Santa Rosa, California
R&D Engineer
Research and development of high-power CO² lasers and laser systems. Mechanical, thermal, magnetic, and optical design and analysis of components operating under vacuum and in the presence of ionized gases. Management of manpower and other resources in cooperation with other engineering and production requirements.

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- 1994 **Sonoma State University**
 Cotati, California

 Instructor
 Organized and taught algebra and physics courses in the pre-college program.
- 1992 **Max-Planck-Institute**
to 1994 **Stuttgart, Germany**

 Guest Scientist
 Numerical analyses on the mechanical behavior of advanced composite materials.
 Publication and presentation of technical papers.

REGISTRATIONS and CERTIFICATIONS

Registered Professional Engineer in California (#30339)

International Registry of Professional Engineers (Record IR159)

National Council of Examiners for Engineering and Surveying (Record #19714)

PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

American Society of Mechanical Engineers

PUBLICATIONS

- D.B. Zahl and R.M. McMeeking, "*The Effect of Interfacial Properties on the Strength of Discontinuous Reinforced Metal Matrix Composites*", *Mechanics of Composite Materials and Structures*, V1 31 (1994)
- D.B. Zahl and R.M. McMeeking, "*Transverse Strength of Metal Matrix Composites Reinforced with Strongly Bonded Continuous Fibers in Regular Arrangements*", *Acta Metallurgica*, V42 N9:2983 (1994)
- D.B. Zahl, S. Schmauder, and R.M. McMeeking, "*Transverse Strength of Continuous Fiber Metal Matrix Composites*", *Computational Material Science*, V3 293 (1994)
- D.B. Zahl, S. Schmauder, and R.M. McMeeking, "*Elastic Behavior of Discontinuously Reinforced Metal Matrix Composites*", *Zeitschrift für Metallkunde*, V84 N11:802 (1993)
- D.B. Zahl, S. Schmauder, and R.M. McMeeking, "*Mechanical Behavior of Residually Stressed Composites with Ductile and Brittle Constituents*", *Modelling and Simulation in Material Science and Engineering*, V1 N3:249 (1993)
- D.B. Zahl, "*The Effect of Interfacial Sliding on the Strength of Metal Matrix Composites*", *Computational Material Science*, V1 N3:249 (1992)
- D.B. Zahl and R.M. McMeeking, "*The Influence of Residual Stress on the Yielding of Metal Matrix Composites*", *Acta Metallurgica*, V39 N6:1117 (1991)
- D.B. Zahl and R.M. McMeeking, "*Three Dimensional Strengthening of Short Fiber Reinforced Metal Matrix Composites*"
- G. Bao, J.W. Hutchinson, R.M. McMeeking, and D.B. Zahl "*Plastic Flow of Composite Materials*", *Topics in Plasticity*, anniversary volume in honor of E.H.Lee, (Ed. W.H. Yang), AM Press, Ann Arbor, pp123-136 (1991)
- S.M. Pickard, S. Schmauder, D.B. Zahl, J. Yang, C. Cady and A.G. Evans, "*The Flow Strength of Quenched Al-SiC Composites*", *Acta Metallurgica*, 40 N11:3113 (1991)