



# PAUL RYAN CLIPSON

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## OBJECTIVE

To join a company that will give me the opportunity for growth and to strengthen the company by contributing the skill and strong work ethic that I have gained over the years.

## QUALIFICATIONS

Through my previous work history I have gained the experience necessary for placement in this field. I have had a 10 hour OSHA training course, an OSHA mine safety training course and multiple other safety training courses that have made me safety orientated. Also, with having a type2 wild land firefighting certification, I am able to work safely and effectively in a highly stressful and demanding work environment. I have 12 years accumulated experience in various construction fields. With that I am able to read and understand blueprints, work in a variety of environments for extended periods of time and work independently with or without instruction. I am also able to grasp new concepts quickly and efficiently.

## WORK EXPERIENCE

### CONCRETE FINISHER/GENERAL LABOR

This was a position in which I, with a team of five to six people, installed hardscaping such as patios, walkways and gardens for homeowners. I worked in a variety of outdoor elements. I was responsible for concrete work, maintenance, and upkeep of equipment. I was also able to provide general labor and rapidly fill in where needed; I learned how to operate an excavator and was able to be counted on when the normal operator was unavailable.

Brett Maloney Landscaping; May 1, 2011 - Current (seasonal position)  
814-725-3635 Northeast, Pa

### DELIVERY PERSON / WAREHOUSE

This position , with a team of three people, delivered dog food to retail locations in the tri-state area. Driving in the extreme Great Lakes weather I was responsible for picking loads, making delivery schedules and deliveries as well as ensuring customer satisfaction with no supervision. Through this position I learned many valuable skills such as logistics of wholesale distribution , sales and customer relations.

Becker's Pet Supplies; Feb. 2009– Current  
(I still help out when needed, usually weekends)  
814-882-1805 Erie, PA

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## **CONCRETE FINISHER**

This position was for a concrete manufacturer which had a large construction crew. Jobs included state contracts such as installing curbs and sidewalks. I was certified through OSHA safety training. My job responsibilities included care and maintenance of equipment, setting forms to proper height and strength, finishing concrete to very high standards, and obtaining samples for state tests.

Elk Creek Ready-Mix; March 2009–Sept. 2009

Fairview, Pa

## **COMMERCIAL CARPENTER**

This position, which involved a larger scale construction of a hospital, which added a whole new level of experience to my existing set of skills. I was given a blueprint and told what was required of me and saw it through to completion. I also had to ensure that subcontractors were working in a safe and timely manner. My responsibilities also included ensuring expensive equipment was properly cared for.

J.E. Kingham Construction inc.; Oct. 2008–Feb. 2009

Lufkin, TX

## **CONCRETE FINISHER / GENERAL LABOR**

This was my first experience working with concrete , it involved a team of five people doing driveways, basements, foundations and various residential concrete work. When I first started this position, I was a grunt man but with in three months I had mastered the skills necessary to be a full time concrete finisher. Within six months time I was capable of finishing jobs while the crew went to start other jobs. This position although usually seasonal required working in many weather extremes.

Trott Concrete Contractors; April 2006–Aug 2008

Erie, Pa

## **TYPE 2 WILD LAND FIREFIGHTER**

This was a position, with a force of several hundred people, going out for 2 weeks at a time into extreme environments. Through this position I learned many valuable skills including safety protocol, using tools unique to firefighting and fire behavior among other things. I was also required to take a two week training course to become a certified type 2 firefighter and a pack test, which is a physical endurance test. The supervision levels were very high, each crew consisted of 20 people overseen by a crew boss, it was essential to be able to act at any moment, because of the high level of danger present. It was also imperative to maintain high levels of awareness when on the job.

B.I.A. / N.P.A ; 2005- 2006

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## **GRAIN ELEVATOR SUPERINTENDENT**

This position was at a grain elevator, where my boss and I ran it. I did everything from loading and unloading grain for patrons, running the grain to the appropriate bin, filling anhydrous ammonia tanks and performing maintenance on the building and equipment as needed. This was a job where the work that was done was up to me to do, with little to no supervision. We would work year round in any type of weather.

Dodge City Cooperative, Howell Branch; 2005-2006

Howell, KS

## **TREE PLANTER**

This was a co-op that was hired by various companies such as mines, the B.I.A. and the Forest Service to reforest areas that had experienced fires or had been mined or cleared. Teams of 15 to 20 people would go to sites and plant 100,000 to 500,000 trees with no supervision. Time out in the field would be between two weeks to a month. I was required to get OSHA Mine Safety certification to be able to enter working mine areas.

Tree Planters Exchange; 2002

Taos, NM

## **INTERESTS / ACTIVITIES**

As a young man I was fascinated by geology as well as an avid hiker and camper. Through my life I have expanded upon the latter with activities such as hunting, fishing, archery, primitive living skills and wilderness survival. Whenever the opportunity to learn more about geology came up I would take it, I spent several years working the Tuscan gem and mineral show to find possible matches for my interests, but it didn't lead me to anything. I feel that this opportunity in the Marcellus shale field is the right direction for me.

## **EDUCATION**

Ponca City High School; 1994–1997 , Class of 1998

Earned G.E.D in 1997

Took technical training for Horticulture 1994- 1997

## **REFERENCES**

References will be provided upon request.

**Re: Paul Clipson Employment**

**To Whom It May Concern:**

**During Paul Clipson's employment with Dodge City Cooperative at the Howell Branch from June, 2005 to December, 2005, he was an inspiration to others.**

**His attitude was very good and his initiative to work was excellent. He is an individual that you only had to show or tell once what to do and no matter what the task he would stay with it until the job was complete. Another asset he has, is to ask questions if he did not completely understand the task, enabling him to do the job correctly the first time. Also he is a very safety conscious individual.**

**While employed here he came into contact with a variety of patrons and no matter what kind of a person they were he could relate to them and get along with them very well. He was a very well liked employee.**

**Paul is a person that does not have to be watched over. He is an individual where management can be gone and work will continue to be done and done correctly.**

**Paul is unlimited on what his future may hold and no matter what it is, in my opinion, he will be an asset.**



**Michael C. Swartz  
Manager, Howell Branch  
Dodge City Cooperative**