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I graduated with an Associates Degree in Business Administration from Butler Community College in December 1996. I spent a few years putting my wife through nursing school then started engineering classes at Wichita State University in the fall of 1999. I transferred to Kansas State University in the fall of 2000 and graduated in May 2003 with a Bachelors Degree in Civil Engineering. I have worked for Professional Engineering Consultants, Butler County Public Works, ASM Engineering Consultants and currently MKEC Engineering Consultants since graduation. I have worked on many different types of projects and have focused on becoming a well rounded civil engineer. It is hard to say that I have specialized in any one skill but I am most skilled in grading, drainage, and railroad design. Of all engineering tasks, I enjoy client interaction and site layout the most. My current project is a crude oil transshipment facility in Eddystone, PA. My role as the lead civil engineer is to make sure our design works well, is cost effective, efficient, and meets the client's needs. I also travel frequently between Wichita and Philadelphia.

I married my wife, Allison, in June 1998 and have two kids, a son, Evan (11), and a daughter, Raegan (8). We love to travel as a family and go to Florida about every year. My wife and I both grew up in Leon, KS, which is a town of about 700 residents. We went to the same school and knew each other most of our lives. We have lived in El Dorado for about five years and love our community. We are active in our church as my wife is on session and I am a trustee. Our son is an active Cub/Boy Scout for four years and our daughter has been playing volleyball and basketball the last two years. My wife loves to run and has completed a couple of half marathons over the last year. My hobbies include driving a golf ball and our 1999 Ford Mustang GT Convertible.