

## Edward D. Batton

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### 1994 – PRESENT

President, Bayfield Consulting Corporation. Works primarily within the packaged gas industry. Focuses on segment profit improvement, activity based costing and quality management methods

### 1993 –1994

Corporate Vice President, Genex Ltd., subsidiary of Praxair, Inc. Responsible for corporate quality and process improvement activities

### 1989 – 1993

Region President, Genex Ltd., subsidiary of Praxair Distribution, Inc.  
Responsible for a 14 location packaged gas / welding supply organization in the Midwest

### 1978 – 1989

Owner and CEO, Illini Tec Systems, Inc., Peoria, IL.  
Responsible for a ten location packaged gas / welding supply organization in the Midwest

### 1971 – 1978

Vice President, Marketing, Illini Welding Supplies, Inc., Peoria, IL

### 1967 – 1971

Squadron Commander, United States Air Force, 3615 Pilot Training Wing, Craig AFB, Alabama

### 1963 – 1967

University of Miami, Coral Gables, FL. 1967 graduate, BBA, Marketing

### PAST AND PRESENT ORGANIZATION ACTIVITIES

- President, American Welding Society, Peoria section, Peoria, IL
- President, Industrial Distributors Association, Chicago, IL
- National Director and Zone Vice President, National Welding Supply Association, Philadelphia, PA
- Director, Pekin Area Chamber of Commerce, Pekin, IL
- Chairman and Director of Board of Trustees, Progressive Health Systems, Pekin, IL
- Chairman and Director of Board of Directors, Pekin Hospital, Pekin, IL
- Member, Board of Directors, Aeriform Corporation, Houston, TX
- Member, Board of Directors, nexAir LLC., Memphis, TN
- Member Board of Directors, Gas Tech Corporation, Indianapolis, IN
- Member, Board of Directors, Aerinex Corporation, Houston, TX.
- Member, Board of Directors, Arizona Welding Supply, Phoenix, AZ
- Bayfield, WI Chamber of Commerce committee activities
- Bayfield, WI school district committee activities
- Member of Gases and Welding Distributors Association
- Executive Director of “Pro Group” an alliance of six large distribution organizations in US and Canada
- Director, Bayfield County, WI Economic Development Corporation

