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I graduated from Florida State University in 1972 with a degree in Business Management and immediately entered Military service. I spent 6 ½ years in the Army, most of that time in Europe. In 1981 I was living in Charleston, South Carolina and joined Waste Industries, a regional solid waste company based in Raleigh N.C., as a Division Manager. Over the next ten years with Waste Industries I advanced to become a Regional Manager with 4 companies in North and South Carolina, primarily on the seacoast.

In 1990 I took a leave of absence to care for my father who had been diagnosed with cancer. He lived here on St Croix. I returned to the states in November of 1991 and went to work for my old boss as a Manager of a solid waste hauling company and industrial landfill. In 1993, I was transferred to Wabash Indiana as the Manager of an acquisition company that consisted of a 12 truck hauling company and a 1000 ton per day municipal landfill. Over the next three years as our little company grew I became responsible for 4 hauling companies and 5 landfills in my region. In 1996 our little company Republic Waste, was purchased and I was promoted to Regional Vice President based out of Lexington Kentucky. I stayed with Republic until March 1997, when most of the original managers of the company were released.

I came to St Croix in August of 1997. During the last 13 years I have co-owned restaurants, started a landscaping company and remodeled two homes. After realizing that I was way too young to retire I went looking for a position that would test my skills and provide me with a challenge. I'm happy to say I ended up here at Coakley Bay.