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Associate Director, Upper Great Plains Transportation Institute

Dr. Brenda Lantz is the Associate Director of North Dakota State University's Upper Great Plains Transportation Institute as well as the Program Director for the Commercial Vehicle Safety Center at UGPTI. The Center serves as a point of contact for universities, law enforcement, and other agencies seeking assistance to establish

partnerships to improve commercial vehicle safety in the U.S. Western region. Staff with the Center also conduct safety-related research and analysis. Brenda holds a Master's degree in Statistics from North Dakota State University, and a Ph.D. in Business Administration, Supply Chain and Information Systems, from the Pennsylvania State University. She has more than 30 years of experience in transportation research, primarily in the commercial vehicle safety field, and has worked extensively with both government and private industry agencies.



Casey Matlock

Motor Carrier Specialist III, California Highway Patrol

Casey Matlock is a Motor Carrier Specialist III in the Motor Carrier Safety Program at California Highway Patrol (CHP) Headquarters. Casey's responsibilities include but are not limited to: statewide oversight of controlled substances and alcohol testing compliance inspections and Basic Inspection of Terminals (BIT). Additionally, Casey is responsible for ensuring departmental compliance with commercial

motor vehicle operation, and commercial driver-controlled substances and alcohol testing requirements. Casey has held multiple positions with CHP, starting with Automotive Technician, Motor Carrier Specialist I, II, and III. He has worked in the Department's commercial program for the past 17 years. While at Commercial Vehicle Section, has served as liaison with several federal and state agencies regarding motor carrier operations. Casey has worked with the California Highway Patrol for more than 24 years and began his career with the Department following serving his country in the United States Army as a heavy wheel vehicle mechanic.



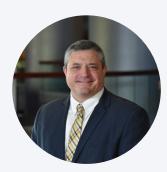


Cheri Daniels

Commercial Driver Licensing (CDL) Coordinator, California Department of Motor Vehicles

Cheri Daniels is the Commercial Driver Licensing Coordinator for the California Department of Motor Vehicles since 2017 and is responsible for activities related to occupational and commercial licensing. Prior to this position, she worked in the Driver Safety Branch as the

Headquarters Region Administrator. She held various positions in program administration and human resources throughout her 34-year career in the State of California government. Since 2020, the pandemic prompted CA DMV to expand their online services, which included upload of the commercial medicals. She leads the efforts on technology for commercial and occupational licensing to promote traffic safety and consumer protection.



Darrin Grondel, EdD

Traffic Safety Advocate, Summit Facilitator

Dr. Darrin Grondel currently serves as the Senior Vice President of Traffic Safety and Government Relations for the Foundation for Advancing Alcohol Responsibility and Director of the National Alliance to Stop Impaired Driving (NASID). Darrin previously served as the Director of the Washington Traffic Safety Commission (WTSC) from

2012-2020 and retired as a captain in 2017 from the Washington State Patrol, after 25 years of service. Darrin earned his Doctorate in Organizational Leadership from Brandman University (2016), MPA from the Evergreen State College (2004), and BA in Political Science from Brigham Young University (1995).





Eric SauerChief Executive Officer, California Trucking Association

Eric Sauer is the CEO for the nation's largest state trucking association, the California Trucking Association (CTA), and is responsible for managing the Association's operations and implementing its advocacy, regulatory and policy agenda and priorities. Mr. Sauer has been with

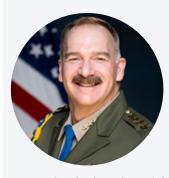
CTA since 2001 and throughout his tenure at CTA, he has worked extensively with the California Highway Patrol, Department of Motor Vehicles, Department of Transportation (Caltrans) and the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration on the development and implementation of major programs and regulations impacting the trucking industry. Eric has been honored by the California Highway Patrol for his efforts with the bi-annual Commercial Vehicle Safety Summit (CVSS). The CVSS is the only event of its kind in the nation and is a daylong event that emphasizes the importance of being a safe trucking company in California. In 2015 he was appointed to the California Road Charge Technical Advisory Committee. Additionally, Mr. Sauer has been the Chairperson for the California Transportation Permit Advisory Council (CTPAC) since its inception in 2003.



Ike Iketani *Traffic Safety Consultant, UC San Diego*

Ike Iketani, a retired California Highway Patrol Assistant Chief with over 32 years of experience, is a recognized authority on traffic safety issues. He is a court-certified instructor on cannabis influence and a certified drug recognition expert for drug influence detection. His involvement with statewide and national committees and task forces, participation in

multi-disciplinary investigations, and development of instructional programs provides critical insight into training delivery methodology and strategic planning. Mr. Iketani is proud to be a part of the TREDS team to share his expertise for the improvement of traffic safety.



Jim Epperson

CEO, Autonomous and Commercial Vehicle Consulting

Jim Epperson retired from the California Highway Patrol (CHP) in November of 2021 after 38.5 years of service to the people of California. He retired at the second highest rank in the Department, responsible for all field, operational and administrative functions statewide and over eleven thousand employees. During his career, he

worked closely with the federal government and has an extensive history with the United States Department of Transportation. He sat on several California State Transportation Agency committees including the Autonomous Vehicle (AV) Visioning Group. He worked consistently with the California Public Utilities Commission over the years as the CHP coregulates passenger transportation with them. He has been a member of the American Association of Motor Vehicle Administrators (AAMVA) Autonomous Vehicle Committee; AAMVA Law Enforcement Standing Committee; the California Transportation Agency Autonomous Vehicle Visioning Group; co-chair of the Commercial Vehicle Safety Alliance (CVSA) Enforcement and Industry Modernization Committee, Size and Weight Committee and Hazardous Materials Committee; California Partners for Advanced Transportation Technology Truck Platooning Project; CHP AV working group; California Freight Advisory Committee; California Transportation Permit Advisory Council; California Maritime Security Council; Regional Railroad Accident Preparedness and Immediate Response Fund Advisory Committee; and the Chair of the California Electronic Bypass Management System Steering Committee. Additionally, he has over twenty five years of hands-on experience performing CVSA inspections.





Raman Singh

Chief Executive Officer, North American Punjabi Trucking Association

Raman Singh's journey from an owner-operator to a leading advocate for change in the trucking industry is a testament to his entrepreneurial spirit and commitment to making a difference. Recognizing the need for representation and a platform for the Punjabi trucking community,

Raman embarked on a groundbreaking venture by producing the Punjabi Trucking Magazine, North American Punjabi Trucking Association, Podcast, the American Trucking Show and much more... Through these innovative platforms, Raman has not only provided valuable information and resources to truckers but has also amplified their voices and concerns within the trucking community. His dedication to promoting diversity and inclusion in trucking has earned him widespread recognition, including acknowledgment from the highest office in the land—the President of the United States. Raman's tireless advocacy for change has sparked conversations, inspired action, and paved the way for greater opportunities and representation for truckers of all backgrounds. His unwavering commitment to improving the trucking industry and empowering those within it serves as a shining example of leadership and innovation.



Lieutenant Robert Daniels

California Highway Patrol, Commercial Vehicle Section

Lieutenant Robert Daniels is a 23-year veteran of the largest state police agency in the nation. He currently serves as the manager of the CHP's numerous Federal Motor Carrier Safety Assistance Program grants, Information Technology Systems, and Credentialing Units. Lieutenant Daniels directs departmental operations regarding \$30 million in federal

grants for commercial motor vehicle enforcement; coordinates enforcement of driver licensing and vehicle registration; and is leading efforts for upgrade and development for 59 weigh stations statewide. Lieutenant Daniels currently serves as the Chair of the Commercial Vehicle Safety Alliance's Cooperative Hazardous Materials Enforcement Development Program.



Tim Huegel

Consultant - Commercial Vehicle Operations, Commercial Vehicle Consulting

Tim Huegel is retired from the California Highway Patrol after 37 years with the Motor Carrier Safety Operations Program. He was in supervision/management for 31 years, managing one of eight Motor Carrier Safety Units directly involved with enforcement of State and Federal rules and regulations. Mr. Huegel currently consults with the

commercial vehicle industry on safety matters, as well as being a qualified expert witness in civil proceedings. Commercial vehicle safety is his passion. His goal with the Summit is to help provide a more in-depth knowledge of Controlled Substances and Alcohol Use Testing requirements to better manage the required testing program on commercial drivers and to understand liabilities to avoid costly fines and sanctions.



Vicki Bowman, CMP, CED, CSEP

Executive Director, California Bus Association

Vicki Bowman, a seasoned industry veteran with 15 years of marketing experience at a top bus manufacturer, established VB Group in 2021 to participate in the motorcoach industry's revival. Serving as Executive Director at CBA and VMA, she orchestrates impactful events and fosters

collaborative initiatives. Vicki's dedication to enhancing member value and broadening client outreach underscores VB Group's reputation as a reliable ally in propelling the motorcoach business landscape forward.

