

## **Cassius M. Willis**



### **Rail Service Employee LRV**

Utah Transit Authority Midvale, UT

03/2021 - current

Daily fleet outbound setup. Conduct Rail Vehicle inspections for mechanical and safety compliance. Operate LRV's safely within yard limits. Prepare vehicles for maintenance repairs. Participate in LRV managements idea sharing program (for new SOP's and improvement of current SOP's)

### **Remote Control Engineer, Conductor**

Union Pacific Railroad SLC, UT

10/2017 - 03/2020 (Roper, North Salt Lake, Ogden, Midvale & Provo Conventional Rail Yards)

Build & Transport Conventional Freight Trains for Long Haul & Local Industries. Inspect & Certify Trains for Mechanical & Safety Standards. FRA Class 6 Engineer, FRA Class 8 Conductor, Crew Forman. GCOR Proficiency & Compliance. Locomotive & Remote Control Systems Operation. Remote Control Train Handling. US DOT Hazardous Materials Training & Proficiency. Homeland Security - Rail Safety Sensitive Material Training & Proficiency. Railroad Operations Safety Training & Proficiency (Yard and Mainline). Railcar Mechanical Cross-training. Locomotive Mechanical Cross-training. FRA Mechanically Qualified Person. Railroad Radio Communication Procedure Training & Proficiency. Attention to detail & task focused under extreme circumstances and in extreme environments. Critical & Creative Thinking. Report Writing. Record Keeping. Time Management. Detailed Team Communication & Collaboration.

### **Ramp Supervisor - Yardmaster**

Rail Terminal Services, Union Pacific Railroad Seattle, WA

06/1999 - 03/2000 (Argo Intermodal Yard)

Design Outbound Intermodal Freight Trains using inventory metrics, GCOR & Company Policy. Determine inbound deramping - staging - storage by freight schedule priority, equipment condition & staffing. Supervise 20+ Union employees for efficiency, contractual & policy compliance. Assign job duties nightly. Monitor safety conditions per FRA, OSHA & company policy standards. Manage emergencies by coordinating internal & external response, control communications, documenting & reporting, facilitate D/A testing. Produce nightly activity, on-time & incident reports. US DOT Hazardous Materials Training & Proficiency. I maximized customer service for my clients (UPS-USPS-FedEx) while minimizing information discrepancies through proactive communication & relationship nurturing.

## **Train Coordinator - Yardmaster**

Parsec Inc., Burlington Northern Santa Fe Railroad Seattle, WA

02/1998 - 06/1999 (South Seattle Intermodal Yard)

Supervised 40+ Union employees for efficiency, contractual and policy compliance (Operations, Car, Crane & Diesel Mechanics, Clerks). Assign job duties nightly. Design Outbound Intermodal Freight Trains using inventory metrics, GCOR and Company Policy. Determine inbound deramping - staging - storage by freight schedule priority, equipment condition & staffing. Produce nightly activity, on-time & incident reports. US DOT Hazardous Materials Training & Proficiency. I maximized customer service for my clients (UPS-USPS-FedEx) while minimizing information discrepancies through proactive communication & relationship nurturing. \*Achieved highest percentage score (99%) of any BNSF RR facility on Annual Federal Safety Compliance Audit.

## **Line-up Resolve - Assistant Yardmaster**

Pacific Rail Services-Parsec Inc., Norfolk Southern Railroad Atlanta, GA

1996 - 1998 (Inman Intermodal Yard)

Resolve, Manage, Prevent & Report Freight Information Conflicts. Assist Line-Up Desk -Yardmaster in the Design of Outbound Trains. Liaison to Railroad Clients such as UPS, USPS & FedEx. US DOT Hazardous Materials Training & Proficiency. I started as a gate clerk, yard inventory, train verification, hostler, side-loader, crane operator and data entry clerk.

## **Professional Actor**

SAG-AFTRA Burbank, CA - 2000 - 09/2017

I worked as a professional Actor in Theatre, Television, Movies & Commercials. I trained formally for 12 years with Instructor Janet Alhanti in Advanced Classical, Contemporary & Stylized Character - Scene Study. I worked for various Studios & Production Companies such as CBS, Warner Bros, FOX, NBC, ABC, Seattle Opera House.

The many skills I learned over that time include: Advanced Communication, Advanced Public Speaking, Advanced Creative Thinking, Critical Listening, Critical Thinking, Self- Motivation, Discipline, Dedication, Time Management, Poised Under Pressure, Resilience, Conflict Resolution, Multi-Tasking, Working Within a Team, Creative Collaboration, Creative Writing, Advanced Human Behavioral Characteristics, Advanced Cultural - Religious Ideological Awareness.

## **Security Officer / Training Officer**

Warner Bros. Studios - Burbank, CA - 07/2001 to 10/2008

I was Trained & Licensed as a Security Officer, Trained & Certified as an American Red Cross Instructor for Warner Brothers Studio Facilities. In my duties over nearly eight years with the WB Studio Protection Group I held the positions of Security Officer, Stage Officer, Training Officer, Acting Supervisor, Training Instructor, Dispatcher and Executive Protection Agent. As Training Officer &

American Red Cross Instructor I taught weekly CPR, AED, First Aid & Standard Operating Procedures. As Security Officer I sought compliance to Warner Bros. policies among fellow employees vendors & clients. As Stage Officer I monitored safety conditions per OSHA regulations & deployed conflict de-escalation techniques. As Dispatcher I monitored a "state of the art" camera, alarm, card access system & assisted with customer service. On Special Event assignments, two others & I handled all Executive Protection duties for the studio. I was regularly trusted with sensitive materials, access & information. I wrote 100+ incident reports on small and large matters alike. I gave deposition on a high profile incident. I received a Commendation Award from the Vice President of Warner Brothers World Wide Studio Protection Group for my actions during a medical incident.

## **EDUCATION**

EMS Certification, Advanced Emergency Medical Technician  
Savannah Technical College - Savannah, GA 5/1994 - 3/1995  
Rescue Specialists - Extrication Technician - Emergency Vehicle Operator

Meisner Technique, Classical - Stylized - Contemporary Scene Study, Performance & Literature  
Los Angeles, CA 2003-2015 Janet AlHanti

FRA Certification, GCOR Training 2017 Salt Lake Community College, Union Pacific

Ramp Yard Management, Ramp Supervisor Training Seattle, WA 1999 Union Pacific facility

Yard Operations, Yardmaster Training Seattle, WA 1998 BNSF facility

## **SKILLS**

GCOR proficiency, US DOT Hazmat, PC/Apple, MS Office Pro, Report Writing, Customer Service, Advanced Public Speaking, Safety focus, Supervision, Training & Development Instructor, ARC Instructor, Advanced Emergency Medical Technician, Advanced Communication, Advanced Creative Thinking, Critical Thinking, Critical Listening, Conflict Resolution, Classical Theater