
Louis F. Centofanti, Ph.D.

EDUCATION

B.S., Youngstown State University, Chemistry, 1965

M.S., University of Michigan, Chemistry, 1967

Ph. D., University of Michigan, Chemistry, 1968

Post Doctoral Fellow, University of Utah, 1968-1969

EXPERIENCE

Dr. Centofanti has spoken or presented papers at numerous scientific meetings on chemical and energy matters, and has published over 25 papers and patents. At Monsanto he directed projects in the heavy chemical area and has a great deal of experience with the process development and plant construction. Dr. Centofanti has also directed projects in unconventional gas, coal conversion to liquids and gases, eastern oil shale, lubrication oil utilization, and PCB chemical destruction. In 1981 he developed and commercialized the PPM process which has become the preferred method of treatment for PCB contaminated oils. Centofanti, in 1991, founded a new hazardous waste company focused on treatment and recycling.

Dr. Centofanti has been recognized as a leader in waste reclamation, chemical and energy development in the Southeastern United States. For his efforts, he received in 1980, a special award from the U.S. Department of Energy, in 1979 an award from the governor of Mississippi, and in 1981 from the governor of Florida, the Governor's Energy Award. In 1980 Dr. Centofanti was made an honorary member of the Alabama Energy Board. Because of his work with the PPM process and PPM Inc., the Advanced Technology Development Institute of Atlanta, Georgia selected Centofanti as Georgia's 1985 Entrepreneur of the Year.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

1991-Present Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer, Perma-Fix Environmental Services, Inc. Founder and President of hazardous waste management firm specializing in the treatment and recycling of hazardous waste.

1985-1991 Sr. Vice President, USPCI Responsible for overall management and operational responsibility for treatment, reclamation and technical groups within the corporation. Managed treatment groups which had \$58 million in revenue and \$16 million in operation profits

1981-1985 President, PPM Inc. Founder and President of Hazardous Waste firm specializing in the handling and treatment of PCB waste.

1979-1981 U.S. Department of Energy, Atlanta, Georgia, Regional Representative of the Secretary Managed energy development and conservation programs in the Southeastern United States.

1973-1979 Monsanto Chemical Company, St. Louis, Missouri, Senior Research Chemist and Environmental Affairs Specialist. Responsible for public acceptance of industrial chemicals; also worked on product development and plant design.

1969-1973 Emory University, Atlanta, Georgia Assistant Professor Taught chemistry, conducted a research and development program in organometallic chemistry.

1968-1969 University of Utah, Salt Lake City, Utah
Instructor and Research Associate in chemistry.

CIVIC, COMMUNITY AND PROFESSIONAL POSITIONS AND AWARDS

1971-1972 Chairman- Georgia/ Alabama Sierra Club

1970 WSB Radio Award- Community Activity

1975 Chairman- American Chemical Society, Midwest Award

1975 Chairman- St. Louis Sierra Club

1976 Member, Board of Directors- St. Louis American Chemical Society

1976 Chairman- St. Louis American Chemical Society Awards Committee

1976 Carter Delegate- Missouri Democratic State Caucus

1976 Member- Missouri Democratic State Resolutions Committee

1976 Member and Assistant Coordinator, Energy Task Force, Carter Presidential Campaign

1976 Member, Board of Directors- Missouri League of Conservation Voters

1977-1978 Vice President- Coalition for the Environment

1978 Chairman ACS Midwest Regional Meeting

1979 Certificate of Appreciation- Mississippi Governor's Office

1980 Honorary Member- Alabama Energy Board

- 1979-1981 Department of Energy Representative to Southern States Energy Board
(17 southern states)
- 1979-1981 Department of Energy Representative to Southern Legislative Conference
(Legislative Leaders of 19 southern states)
- 1981 Governor's Energy Award- Florida
- 1979-1981 Department of Energy Representative to Southern Governor's Association
(17 southern states)
- 1985 Georgia's "Entrepreneur of the Year" (chosen by Georgia Tech's Advanced Technology
Development Center)
- 1988 Member, Democratic National Committee- Business Council
- 2007 Elected to the Carter Center Board of Councilors