



THE AUSTIN COMPANY

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THE AUSTIN COMPANY PROMOTE STEVENS TO VICE PRESIDENT AND OPERATIONS MANAGER

CLEVELAND, OHIO – January 1, 2009. The Austin Company, an international firm offering a comprehensive portfolio of in-house architectural, engineering, design-build and construction management services, has promoted Charlie Stevens to Vice President and Operations Manager for their Atlanta office. As Vice President and Operations Manager, he is responsible for the design-build and construction management activities performed by the Atlanta office as well as contributing as part of the executive management team of The Austin Company.

Charlie joined The Austin Company in 1977 and has over thirty-six years of experience in construction services. In 1986 he became Unit Superintendent for the Southwest District, followed by Project Superintendent for the Southwest and Cleveland Districts. In 1997 he became the Manager of Construction for Austin's Southeast District and in 2006 became the Operations Manager for the Atlanta office. In addition to his field construction supervision, his practical experience and counsel have made major contributions to Austin's operations. His areas of expertise include construction management, construction supervision, scheduling, safety management and quality control.

He holds a General Contractor License in both Florida and Tennessee, and received his higher education from St. Louis University and Southeast Iowa College.

About The Austin Company:

The Austin Company is an international firm offering a comprehensive portfolio of in-house architectural, engineering, design-build, construction management and consulting services. In addition to services for the built environment, Austin offers value-added strategic planning services including site location, transportation/distribution consulting, facility/process audits and more. The Austin Company is headquartered in Cleveland, Ohio, with offices in Cleveland, Atlanta and Irvine, CA and is a wholly owned subsidiary of Kajima USA and a proud member of the Kajima family of companies. Kajima Corporation is one of the leading engineering and construction contractors in the world with nearly \$18.9 billion in total revenues for 2008.