

SPEAKER BIOGRAPHY

BLAINE LEWIS

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Professional Summary:

Blaine Lewis is the General Manager of Purchasing Supplier Development at Toyota Motor North America, Inc. (TMNA), based in Saline, Michigan. TMNA plays a crucial role in supporting Toyota's engineering and manufacturing operations across North America.

TOYOTA History:

Blaine joined Toyota in 1997 as a Quality Engineer at the Toyota Powertrain facility in Buffalo, West Virginia. Over his 27-year career at TMNA, he has held various roles, including a two-year assignment at Toyota Motor Corporation (TMC) in Toyota City, Japan.

In 2003, Blaine transitioned to the Purchasing Supplier Development division, where he spent nearly a decade supporting Supplier Engineering for Powertrain, Chassis, Interior/Exterior, and Seats. During this period, he was also responsible to manage the Cross-Functional Toyota Supplier Part Tracking Team.

Following his TMC assignment, Blaine led the Electronics Commercial team during the launch of Toyota's first North American-developed multimedia system. After rotations through the Chassis and Body teams, he became a key architect of the newly reformed PSD-Engineering Team.

Prior to TOYOTA:

Blaine began his automotive career in 1994 as a Supplier Quality Engineer with Hitachi Automotive, culminating his 31 years of experience in the automotive industry.

Other Leadership:

In addition to his direct responsibilities at TMNA, Blaine has served as the Executive Sponsor of Toyota's Research and Development Veterans Association since 2023.



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