Anthony D. Saunders

*Certified Chef*

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**Summary of Qualifications**

* Well-traveled professional chef with 30+ years of hospitality and food service experience.
* Apprenticed under head chefs and executive chefs of 4-star establishments.
* Experienced in banqueting, pastry work, and butchering.
* Capable of handling all restaurant operations, from staffing to ordering and inventorying, and menu planning.
* Previously served as *garde manger,* overseeing cold salads, appetizers, and hors d'œuvres.
* Trained apprentices and cooks in various back-of-house duties.

**Professional Experience**

Beacon Restaurant Wichita, Kansas

*Supervisor*

* Fulfilled multiple positions between two locations.
* Managed kitchen staff of 4 employees.
* Created daily specials using inventory on hand to utilize ingredients before expiration.
* Coordinated activities with other managers to increase efficiency and minimize downtime.
* Oversaw general back-of-house operations, including cooking, prepping, and clean up.

Denny’s Wichita, Kansas

*Lead Cook*

* Prepped required items for daily food service, including: vegetables, mixed items (pancake batter, etc.), and meats.
* Pulled frozen items from freezers to thaw ahead of time for service.
* Followed par counts to bring line up to stock.
* Set line for evening service.
* Handled majority of food service independently throughout the week.

Timberline Steakhouse Wichita, Kansas

*Cook*

* Operated multiple stations, including: grill, sauté, and fry.
* Cooked banquet meals for off-site customers up to 50 people.
* Served guests table-side using *guéridon cart*.

Aramark Corporation Ellsworth, Kansas

*Cook*

* Prepared meals for several hundred guests.
* Seasoned meals according to taste when possible.
* Created appetizing entrees using limited ingredients and resources.
* Operated 200 gal steam kettles and tilt-pans.
* Baked fresh breads, cakes, and cookies.

**Accolades**

* Promoted to Kitchen Manager of Don’s Restaurant, Wichita, Kansas.

**Education**

Chef de Tournant (1986) *Bahamas Hotel Training College* Nassau, Bahamas