



Ohio Transportation Engineering Conference



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Why did I want to become an Engineer?

- High school guidance counselor
- Volunteer on C&O Canal restoration



My Career Path



Princeton University

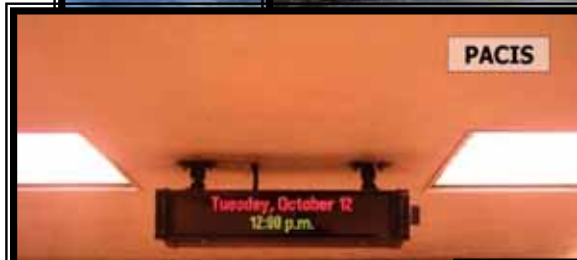
- Princeton University
 - 6th class of women
 - 1:10 women ratio at Engineering school
 - National team rower



Tagus River Bridge

- New York City bridge firm
 - First woman engineer
 - Moved up to senior project manager

My Career Path



- Chief Engineer at NYCDOT
- Return to private sector
- Return to public sector as Chief Engineer at NYC Transit

Why am I a "Trailblazer"?

- Worked hard, never refused an assignment
- Great mentors
- Grew up with four brothers
- All girl high school
- Princeton University
- Well developed sense of humor



Advice to Women Pursuing Engineering Careers

- Engineering is objective, which is good for women
- Make your projects successful
- Never turn down an opportunity to grow
- Don't depend on your supervisor to do what is best for you
- Treat people fairly and help others when you can
- Have a can-do attitude
- Get a feel for working on the "other side"
- Also, parenting is great for developing management skills