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to

BRIAN M. CHAPMAN

for his over 25 years of dedicated service to the graphic arts industry, as leader of the research team that developed the first electronic dot generation (halftone screener) system which also produced the first modular scanner, as senior member of the team that developed and commercialized the first all digital scanner using colorimetric input, as a long time member of TAGA, as chair of its Electronic Prepress Workshop, and as one of TAGA's past presidents, TAGA honors Brian M. Chapman.



BRIAN CHAPMAN is Director of Business Planning for Kodak Electronic Printing Systems, a part of the Graphic Imaging Systems Division of Eastman Kodak Company. He is a graduate of the University of Bridgeport (Connecticut) with BS and MS degrees in mechanical engineering and has an MBA (Master's Degree in Business Administration) from the University of Connecticut. After obtaining his BSME degree, he worked for several years as a mechanical engineer in the aviation and space industry.

In 1967, he joined the Time Inc. Springdale Laboratory where he worked on the industry's first nylon letterpress plate system. From there he moved to Vice President of Research for Printing Development, Inc. (PDI), a subsidiary of Time Inc. At PDI he directed pioneering research projects that developed products over a decade ahead of the rest of the industry. He led the research team that developed the industry's first electronic dot generation (halftone screening) system, and personally developed the algorithms the system used to produce conventional screen angles. This team also developed and built the first modular scanner system.

After PDI was sold by Time Inc. to Japanese investors, Brian joined Hell Graphic Systems as President and CEO. He built the facilities for producing the Hell Chromagraph DC299 scanner. In 1981, he joined EIKONIX Corp. as Vice President working on the research and development of the Designmaster 8000 Color Prepress System which was the first all-digital scanner using a colorimetric color space to record and process color images. EIKONIX was acquired by Kodak in 1986.

Brian has been a member of TAGA since 1974. He is a past president and has chaired the Electronic Prepress Workshop almost since its organization in 1983. Brian has been a member of many industry committees and a speaker at many industry conferences and meetings. He is presently Prepress Vice President of the Research and Engineering Council of the Graphic Arts Industry.