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My name is Savannah Thomas (formerly Donarski). I am currently a Fire Protection Engineer at Jensen Hughes and have been in the fire protection industry since 2015. I received my bachelor's degree in mechanical engineering from the New York Institute of Technology on Long Island, NY.

Like some of us fire protection people, I "fell" into the industry not entirely knowing it existed prior to joining. I am so happy I did. I was offered a position in the plumbing and fire protection department at a NYC MEP firm as my first job after graduation. I then made my way to Colorado and joined a Colorado MEP firm in their fire and life safety department, where I gained experience in various aspects of fire protection, including fire protection and fire alarm design, smoke control system commissioning, and code consulting. I earned my Professional Engineer (PE) license in fire protection in 2020. In late 2021, I transitioned to my current position at Jensen Hughes where our work is all about fire and life safety and where I continuously have the opportunity to grow my skills and work with many experienced and talented fire protection engineers.

The field of fire protection offers so much, not only to the public first and foremost, but also to us working in the industry. It is complex, diverse, and rewarding. I am fortunate to be a part of a community that takes pride in the work we do and truly cares about public safety and moving the industry forward. I have had the pleasure of getting to know members of the Rocky Mountain Chapter of SFPE through project work, in the field, and other SFPE events. I look forward to the opportunity to contribute to the success of our chapter through collaboration with the others on the board and to cultivating more relationships in the industry.

For a little fun: I like to spend my spare time playing volleyball, running, and making elaborate fire protection related Halloween costumes.



