

## **Vita**

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Jeffrey Scott Smith was born on May 30, 1980 in Norfolk, Virginia, to William and Edith Smith of Virginia Beach. In 1998, he graduated from Kempsville High School and started college at Virginia Tech. Upon earning a B.S. degree in 2002, Jeffrey continued his academic work at Tech as a Borden Chemical Fellow and received his M.S. degree under the direction of Dr. Joseph Loferski. After graduation, Jeff will be employed by Trus Joist as a Process Engineer in Hazard, Kentucky.