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David Meier is an internationally recognized authority on Lean Manufacturing and The Toyota Production System (TPS). David is the co-author of the best selling books, *The Toyota Way Fieldbook*, (McGraw-Hill, 2005), and *Toyota Talent*, (McGraw-Hill, 2007) with Jeffrey Liker. In these hands-on books David and Jeff detail the language, concepts, and tools that managers need to bring Toyota’s success-proven practices to life in any organization.

David had the opportunity to learn the Toyota Production System as one of the first group leaders hired at Toyota’s Georgetown, Kentucky facility in the plastics molding department. He was trained and mentored in Japan and Kentucky over a ten-year period by Toyota Sensei. In 2001, David founded Lean Associates, Inc., a consulting firm dedicated to supporting companies that are pursuing implementation of the Toyota Production System.

David has been a trainer and speaker for over fifteen years and he has presented training workshops in North America, Russia, Europe, Brazil, and Asia for many groups including: the Society of Manufacturing Engineers, AME, The University of Michigan, The Montreal Board of Trade, ORG PROM Russia, Made In China, Inc., The Lean Product and Process Development Exchange, The Window and Door Manufacturers Association, AIM Inlines Thailand, Continuous Quality
Improvement Network, and the Shingo Prize Conference. David has supported many companies in a variety of industries including healthcare, food, automotive, aerospace, wood and plastic products, chemical processing, metal machining, fabricating, welding, and assembly operations in both manufacturing and non-manufacturing work areas. He specializes in developing TPS expertise within organizations so that they become capable of achieving lean transformation.

**Client List:**
- Ford Motor Company
- Kodak
- Delphi Automotive
- McCain Foods
- SunOpta
- MI Windows and Doors
- Hong Kong Productivity Council
- DuPont
- Siemens VDO
- Danaher
- Colder Products
- Shore Master
- SAAB Aeronatics
- Scania
- Stonel Metso
- Lockheed Martin
- Hoffman (Pentair Technical Products)
- Mouser Custom Cabinetry
- Parker-Hannifin
- Cedar Woods
- Kraft Foods
- Kennametal
- WABCO
- Global Finishing Solutions
- Curran Contracting Group
- Beth Israel Deaconess Hospital
- Applied Materials
- Volcano
- Donnelly Custom Manufacturing
- BTD Fabrication

**Publications**

2007

"**Toyota Talent**"
Co-authored with Jeffrey Liker
Published by: McGraw Hill, 2007

2005

"**The Toyota Way Field Book**"
Co-authored with Jeffrey Liker
Published by: McGraw Hill, 2005

2001

"**Lean Manufacturing: A Plant Floor Guide**" (Total Systems Development)
Chapter 3 “Lean Measurements and Their Use”
Chapter 5 “Business Case Development”
Published by: Society of Manufacturing Engineers, 2001
The Client List was based on a true story about a prostitution scandal in Odessa, Texas in January 2005. See more Â». Goofs. Throughout season two Kyle and Riley meet with Kyle's lawyer in a common visiting room. There would be designated rooms for attorney/client meetings because of privilege. See more Â». Connections. Last year â€œThe Client Listâ€ propelled Lifetime to number one in the Sunday 10:00pm time period among Women 18+. After last seasonâ€™s cliffhanger finale, season two of â€œThe Client Listâ€ promises to be no easier for Riley Parks (Hewitt) at home or at work. The Texas single mother of two who, after being deserted by her husband and left in financial straits, took a job at a seemingly traditional day spa only to learn that sexual favors are being offered there on the side.