

# State of the Workforce The Power of Stay Interviews

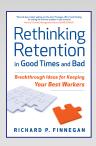


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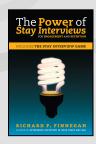
#### Finnegan Background

"Recovering HR director" solved turnover for Siberian banks, African gold mines, Chinese multi-national corporations...and the CIA



Author, Rethinking Retention in Good Times and Bad, endorsed by BusinessWeek as offers "fresh thinking for solving the turnover problem in any economy"

Author, The Power of Stay Interviews for Engagement & Retention, top-selling SHRM-published book in history





Author, *The Stay Interview*, published January, 2015, in 20 languages + an audio book

Noted expert by BusinessWeek, Chief Executive Magazine, & Consulting Magazine

Converget C. Suite Analytics 2014

#### Today's Agenda

Stay Interviews: What & Why?

Trust Building Essentials

Stay Interview Process & Practice

Stay Action Plan & Retention Forecast

What Makes People Happy?



### **Stay Interviews**

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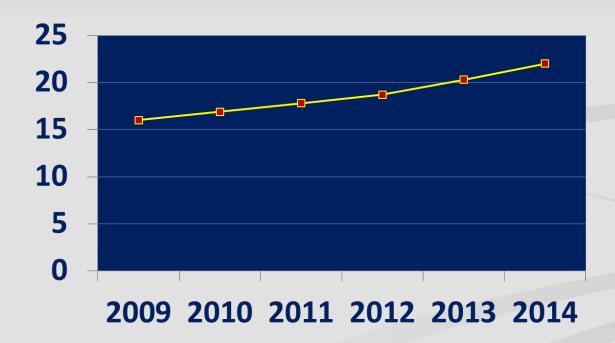
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#### Why Is This Important?

**U.S. Voluntary Quit Percentages, Post Recession** 

**U.S.** Bureau of Labor Statistics



Unemployment
U.S. 5.5%
Montana 4.5%
Billings 3.0%



#### Report Turnover in Dollar\$

#### Actual client turnover costs by job:

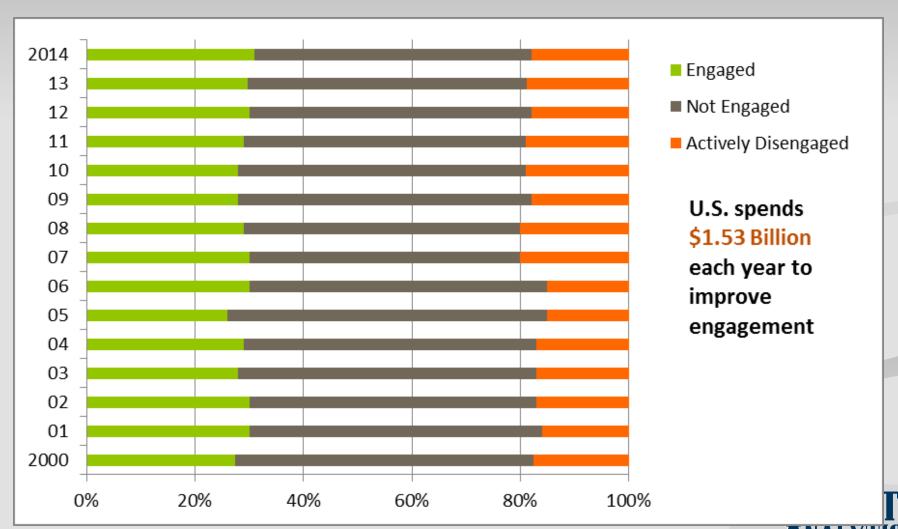
- ✓ Physician...\$225,808
- ✓ Software engineer....\$131,000
- ✓ Call center representative...\$29,447
- ✓Truck loader/unloader...\$4,955





### **Engagement Stuck**

Gallup/Bersin



#### **How Much More Do Engaged Employees Produce?**

- Gallup: 22% more profitability/ lower turnover (TO)/higher earnings per share (EPS)
- □ GPTW Institute: 20% more productivity/lower TO/higher EPS
- Hewitt: % engaged correlates with higher shareholder returns (S/H)
- Kenexa: double S/H returns
- WorkUSA/Watson Wyatt: 26% more revenue per employee

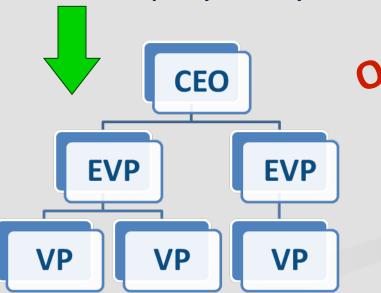




# **Are Your Retention Efforts Driven By Accountabilities or Programs?**

#### **Business Accountabilities**

driven by executives from the top like sales, service, quality, & safety



#### **Retention Programs**

driven from the side like town hall meetings, employee appreciation week, newsletters





86% of the time



## Supervisors' Impact on Engagement & Retention



"If you have a turnover problem, look first to your managers"...Gallup

Employees stay for managers first and co-workers second...salary.com

Employees' levels of engagement higher when their supervisors had higher levels of engagement...DDI

"When employees stay, it is because of their immediate managers"... National Education Association

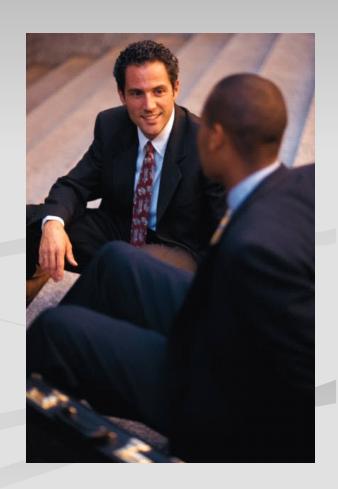
Employees who stay primarily for their supervisors stay longer, perform better, and are more satisfied with their pay...TalentKeepers



#### The Real Power of Supervision

A global consulting firm interviewed 1,000 recently-quit employees and asked about pay, benefits, development, advancement and relationships with supervisors...and found supervisor relationships influenced all other opinions, concluding...

"Offering a higher salary or developmental/advancement opportunity may not be enough to retain employees"





#### Which Side Matters More?

Pay, benefits, bonuses, Employee appreciation week, Employee of the month, Brown bag lunches, Leaderboard winners, career Ladders, employee surveys, Exit surveys, onboarding, Training monitoring sessions, Team meetings, all-hands Meetings...and almost everything else



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Employees trust their direct supervisors on all levels throughout your organization



### Supervisors vs Programs

Good Programs + Good Supervisors = Retention & Engagement

Good Programs + Poor Supervisors =
Turnover & Disengagement





# Introducing the Power of Trust





# Why Was Your Best Boss Your Best Boss?

My best boss ever was my best boss because...



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# Why Was Your Worst Boss Your Worst Boss?



### My worst boss ever was my worst boss because...

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#### The Fortune Top 100, 2015: #1



"The tech giant celebrates its sixth year at No. 1 and recently bolstered its parental leave benefits. New parents, regardless of gender...can now get up to twelve weeks of fully paid baby bonding time. Google also provides \$500 of "Baby Bonding Bucks" to all new parents to use during the first three months of their child's life."

#### The Fortune Top 100, 2014

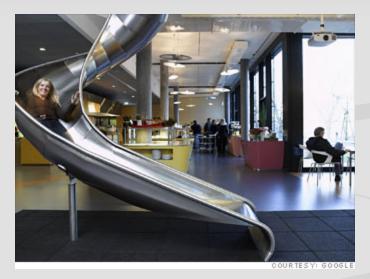
#1: Google



"Google donates \$50 for every five hours an employee volunteers. Last year a new program sent employees to Ghana and India to work on community projects."

### The Fortune Top 100, 2013

#1: Google



"The Internet juggernaut takes the Best Companies crown for the fourth time, and not just for the 100,000 hours of subsidized massages it doled out in 2012. New this year are three wellness centers and a seven-acre sports complex, which includes a roller hockey rink; courts for basketball, bocce, and shuffle ball; and horseshoe pits"

### The Fortune Top 100, 2012

#1: Google



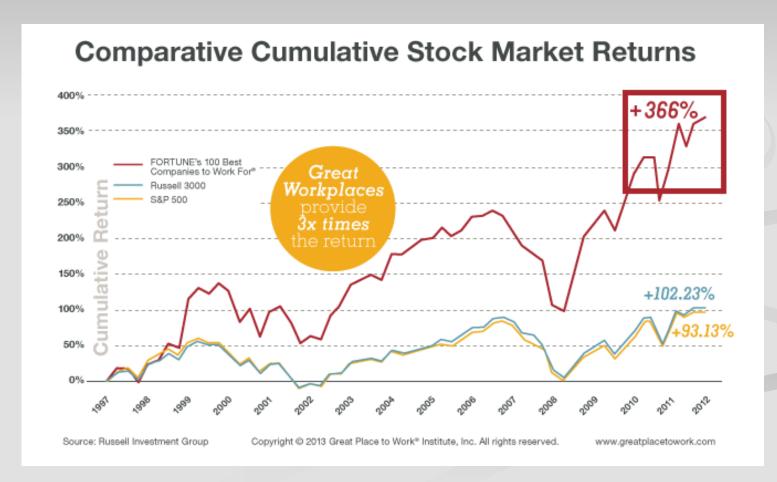
"Employees rave about their mission, the culture, and the famous perks of the Plex: bocce courts, a bowling alley, eyebrow shaping...25 cafes, all gratis"



"Two-thirds of a company's score is based on the results of the Great Place To Work's Trust Index Survey"

"Any company can be a great place to work. Our approach is based on the major findings of 20 years of research – that trust between managers and employees is the primary defining characteristic of the very best workplaces."

#### **Building Trust 1-1 Builds Profits**





# Google's Quest To Build A Better Boss

#### What Makes A Great Boss At



As published in The New York Times, March 12th, 2011

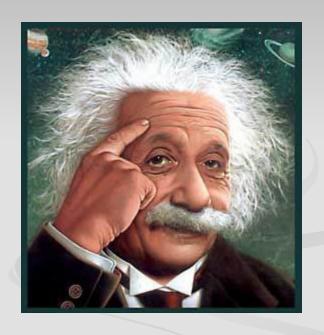


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"Technical expertise – the ability, say, to write computer code in your sleep - ranked dead last among Google's big eight. What employees valued most were (1) even-keeled bosses who made time for one-on-one meetings, (2) who helped people puzzle through problems by asking questions, not dictating answers, and (3) who took an interest in employees' lives and careers."

#### One Big Lesson Learned

It's not what you give them, it's how you treat them...and firstline supervisors most influence employees' relationships with managers, colleagues, and duties



Insanity: Doing the same thing over and over again and expecting different results

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#### 3 Stay Interview Success Stories



Florida Hospital Zephyrhills... All turnover 37%; nurseturnover 70%

Burcham Hills Retirement
Community...Nurse turnover
70%; 100% retention first
180 days

Novo 1 Call Centers...Agent turnover 20%



#### **Stay Interview Process Key Ingredients**

Conducted by supervisors vs. HR

The **Power** of

Top-Selling SHRM-Published Book in History

**Separate from Performance Review** 

Repeat each 6 months for all existing employees / 2 times a year for new hires with first one in first 90 days and a second one at 180 days

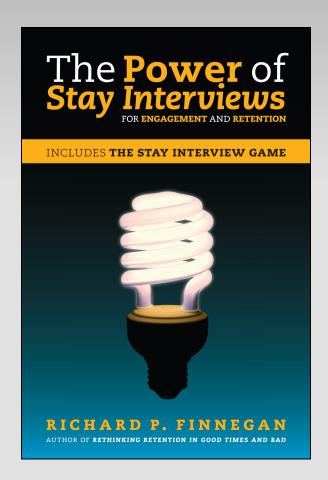
Script opening, questions, probes, closing

**Create individual Stay Action Plans** 

**Managers Forecast Retention** 



#### **Stay Interview Top 5 Questions**



Top-Selling SHRM-Published Book in History

- 1. What do you look forward to each day when you commute to work?
- 2. What are you learning here? Want to learn?
- 3. Why do you stay here?
- 4. What could cause you to leave us?
- 5. What can I do to make your job better for you?

### Retention Forecast "HeatMap"

Leader: Rodriguez	Perf Rating/ 5 Hi, 1 Lo	Green 1+ yrs	Yellow 6-12 Months	Red 0-6 Months	Retention Plan
Kim Johnson	4				Provide mentor for
Burt Brown	5				Develop skills for possible promotion to
Cindy Stone	3				Pleased with current role & circumstance
Ralph Jimenez	2				Coaching for performance



### Gallup's 100 Year Commitment

Surveying citizens of the world to learn what brings most happiness over 100 years. So far the answer is which...

- a. Good health?
- b. A good job?
- c. Love and respect from others?
- d. Money for needs and more?
- e. Better life for your children?



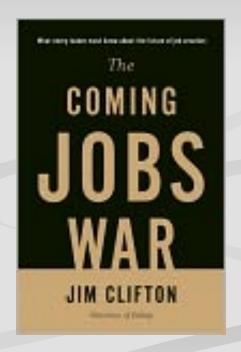
**GALLUP** 

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#### **Blunt Finish**

Jim Clifton, CEO, Gallup...

"Let's get rid of managers from hell, double the number of great managers & engaged employees, and have those managers lead on what actually matters... The country's employees will be twice as effective, they'll create far more customers, companies will grow, spiraling healthcare costs will decrease, and desperately needed GDP will boom like never before."



#### **To Obtain**

- ✓ How to Cost Turnover & Engagement
- ✓ Engagement Correlations to Productivity
- ✓ The Stay Interview Manager
   Training Game

Please Give Me Your Business Card/Include # of Employees



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