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Since my retirement from the South Carolina Law Enforcement Division I have been offering my services as a private consultant in the areas of fingerprint identification, footwear identification, bloodstain pattern interpretation, crime scene analysis, crime scene photography and evidence collection and preservation. In December of 1994 I retired from the South Carolina Law Enforcement Division where, for a period of eight years, I was assigned to the Latent Fingerprint and Crime Scene Unit. During this time I conducted numerous investigations involving a wide variety of criminal activity including, but not limited to, criminal sexual assault, robbery, burglary, hit-and-run, felony D.U.I. and numerous death investigations which often involved self-defense issues, police related shootings, questionable suicides and homicides. Additionally, my twenty-plus years of law enforcement experience encompass uniform patrol, warrant and civil process, conducting background investigations, police related computer operations to include the Automated Fingerprint Identification System (A.F.I.S.) and various other assignments.

I have testified as an expert witness in courts of record throughout the state of South Carolina. I have also had occasion to testify in the states of North Carolina, Georgia, Maryland and in Federal District Court.

I am a member in good standing of the International Association for Identification Member Number 11424, and a former member of the South Carolina Division of the International Association for Identification and the International Association of Bloodstain Pattern Analysts.

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EDUCATION:

Bachelor of General Studies, University of South Carolina, Columbia, S.C. – 1977

Associate in Science in Criminal Justice, University of South Carolina – 1975

WORK EXPERIENCE:

Feb. 1995 – Present: Self-employed as a Forensic Consultant in the areas of Fingerprint Identification, Footwear Identification, Crime Scene Analysis, Bloodstain Pattern Interpretation and Evidence Collection and Preservation.

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P.O. Box 21398
Columbia, South Carolina 29221

July 1993 – Dec. 1994: Assigned to SLED Regulatory Section-
(Retired 12/7/94) Position: Special Agent – Conduct background investigations for individuals applying for concealed weapons permits, private detective registrations, private and premise security companies and new pistol dealers. Conduct inspections, monitor activities and investigate complaints of aforementioned individuals and businesses.

Mar. 1985 – July 1993: Assigned to SLED Latent Print/Crime Scene Unit
Position: Criminalist. Investigate, document, prepare cases and testify in all areas of fingerprint identification, footwear identification, crime scene reconstruction, crime scene photography, death investigation and bloodstain pattern interpretation. Operate Automated Fingerprint Identification System (A.F.I.S.). Testify in courts of record throughout South Carolina, to include Federal District Court. Additionally, testified in the area of fingerprint identification in the states of North Carolina, Georgia and Maryland.

Richland County Sheriff's Department
1400 Huger Street
Columbia, South Carolina 29201

July 1979 – Mar. 1985: Position – Sergeant, Special Services Division/Fugitive-Warrant Division. Team leader - Special Operations Response Team, with training in special weapons, hostage negotiation, riot control, counter-terrorists activities, executive protection and counter-sniper tactics.

University of South Carolina Police Department
503 South Main Street
Columbia, South Carolina 29201

Feb. 1979 – June 1979: Position- Patrolman- Uniform Patrol Division

Lexington County Sheriff's Department
501 Gibson Road
Lexington, South Carolina 29072

Aug 1977 – Jan. 1979: Position- Deputy Sheriff – Uniform Patrol Division

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May 1974 – Aug. 1977: Position: Computer Operator. Operated and maintained National Law Enforcement Teletype System (NLETS)

June 1973 – May 1974: Attend University of South Carolina, Beaufort Campus

United States Marine Corps
Headquarters
Commandant of the Marine Corps
Washington, District of Columbia

June 1969 – June 1973: Position – Sergeant in charge of Communications Watch.
Process classified material.

Specialized Training:

South Carolina Criminal Justice Academy, Basic Law Enforcement Training
Certification – Basic Class IX – 1978

Department of the Treasury, Federal Law Enforcement Training Center, Glynco, Georgia, Modified Special Operations Response Team for Law Enforcement Officers
Class 82 – MSOR – 202 - 1982

Valencia Community College, Orlando, Florida - Interpretation of Bloodstains in Death Scene Investigations – 1985

South Carolina Criminal Justice Academy – Basic Fingerprint – 1985

South Carolina Criminal Justice Academy – Law Enforcement Photography – 1986

Department of the Army – Fort Jackson, S.C. – Death Investigation Workshop – 1986

Federal Bureau of Investigation Academy – Quantico, Virginia – Administrative Advanced Latent Fingerprint School – 1986

72nd International Association for Identification Educational Conference, Alexandria, Virginia – 1987

The Southern Police Institute – University of Louisville, Kentucky – Homicide Investigation – 1988

South Carolina Law Enforcement Division Forensic Sciences Laboratory
Bloodstain Evidence Workshop I – 1989

Certified Crime Scene Analyst – International Association for Identification Crime Scene Certification Board – 1990

Texas Tech University – Lubbock, Texas – Laser Fingerprint Development Workshop – 1990

The International Association for Identification – South Carolina State Division – Forensic Techniques – 1991

De La Rue Printrak – South Carolina Law Enforcement Division Forensic Laboratory – Orion Latent Workstation Operations (Automated Fingerprint Identification System) – 1990

Recovery of Skeletal Remains, The International Association for Identification – South Carolina State Division – 1997

Forensic Pathology and the Crime Scene Investigator - The International Association for Identification – South Carolina State Division – 1998

Basic Fingerprint Techniques – The International Association for Identification South Carolina State Division – 1998

The Expert Witness in the Courtroom – The International Association for Identification – South Carolina State Division – 1998

Introduction to Death Scene Reconstruction – The International Association for Identification – South Carolina State Division -1999

Tracks at Crime Scenes – International Association for Identification – South Carolina State Division – 1999

Aspects of Forensic Odontology – The International Association for Identification – South Carolina State Division – 2000

Chemical Techniques of Fingerprint Development – The International Association for Identification – South Carolina State Division – 2000

Pathology of Gunshot Wounds – The International Association for Identification- South Carolina State Division - 2000

Courtroom Testimony – The International Association for Identification – South Carolina State Division - 2001

Forensic Photography – The International Association for Identification – South Carolina State Division 2001

Forensic Applications of DNA – The International Association for Identification –South Carolina State Division – 2002

Bloodstain Pattern Interpretation – The International Association for Identification – South Carolina State Division – 2003

Scene Processing: A Systematic Approach to the Explosives Incident – The International Association for Identification – 2003

The Science of Forensic Anthropology – The International Association for Identification – South Carolina State Division – 2004

Behavioral Analysis of Crime Scenes – The International Association for Identification- South Carolina State Division – 2004

Shooting Reconstruction Workshop – International Association for Identification – South Carolina State Division – 2004

Professional Organizations:

International Association for Identification

Former Member International Association of Bloodstain Pattern Analysts

Former Member South Carolina Division of the International Association for Identification

Former Licensed Private Investigator – State of South Carolina