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EDUCATION

- 1999 Associate of Applied Science Degree, Criminal Justice, College of Lake County, Grayslake, IL
- 1996 Bachelor of Science Degree, Business Management, National Louis University, Chicago, IL
- 1986 Graduate, Antioch High School, Antioch, IL

SEMINARS AND ADVANCED TRAINING

- 2024 * Illinois & Iowa Chapter, IAAI Training Seminar, Rock Island, IL (8 Hrs. Tested)
- 2023 * Vehicle Fire Investigation Training Program, NAFI, Lexington, KY (28 Hrs. Tested)
* WI-IAAI 2023 Spring Seminar, Stevens Point, WI (20 Hrs. Tested)
* Live Event – Managing the Fire Claim, CFITrainer.net (2 Hrs. Tested)
* IA/IL-IAAI Joint Chapter Seminar, Rock Island, IL (8 Hrs. Tested)
- 2022 * IL-IAAI Training Seminar, Aurora, IL (16 Hrs. Tested)
* Legal Aspects of Arson and Fire Investigations, WI-IAAI, Kenosha, WI (8 Hrs. Tested)
- 2021 * Certified Fire Investigator, International Association of Arson Investigators (IAAI)
* Charting Your Career Path in Fire Investigation, CFITrainer.net (3 Hrs. Tested)
* Writing the Initial Origin and Cause Report, CFITrainer.net (3 Hrs. Tested)
- 2020 * IASIU International Annual Training
* Central Illinois Fire Investigators Association (CIFIA) Annual Training Conference, Peoria, IL (16 Hrs. Tested)
- 2019 * Illinois Chapter IAAI Annual Training Conference, Champaign, IL (24 Hrs. Tested)
- 2018 * IL-IAAI Annual Training Conference, Champaign, IL (24 Hrs. Tested)
* ISO Fraud Management Conference

- 2017
 - * IASIU International Annual Training
 - * Fire Investigation for the Insurance Professional, IL-IAAI, Champaign, IL (8 Hrs. Tested)

- 2016
 - * IL-IAAI Annual Training Conference, Champaign, IL (28 Hrs. Tested)
 - * Fire Investigation in Today's Environment, IAAI, (8 Hrs. Tested)
 - * NSPII Midwest Medical Fraud Symposium
 - * Understanding Fire Through the Candle Experiments, CFITrainer.net (4 Hrs. Tested)

- 2015
 - * International Association of Arson Investigators International Training Conference, Rosemont, IL (32 Hrs. Tested)
 - * ISO Fraud Management Conference

- 2014
 - * IL-IAAI Terrance Hoyle Northern Zone Training Conference, Mokena, IL (16 Hrs. Tested)
 - * Cook County Regional Organized Crime Training Conference
 - * Central Illinois Fire Investigators Association (CIFIA) Annual Training Conference, East Peoria, IL (15 Hrs. Tested)

- 2013
 - * Central Illinois Fire Investigators Association (CIFIA) Annual Training Conference, East Peoria, IL (15 Hrs. Tested)

- 2012
 - * Illinois Chapter IAAI Annual Training Conference, Champaign, IL (12 Hrs. Tested)

- 2011
 - * The Fire Investigator & the 2011 NFPA 921 Changes, CFITrainer.net (4 Hrs. Tested)

- 2010
 - * IL-IAAI Southern Zone Training Conference, Collinsville, IL (14 Hrs. Tested)
 - * Central Illinois Fire Investigators Association (CIFIA) Annual Training Conference, Peoria, IL (15 Hrs. Tested)
 - * Illinois Chapter IAAI Annual Training Conference, Campaign, IL (36 Hrs. Tested)
 - * Ethics and the Fire Investigator, CFITrainer.net (3 Hrs. Tested)
 - * Insurance and the Fire Investigation, CFITrainer.net (4 Hrs. Tested)
 - * Introduction to Fire Dynamics and Modeling, CFITrainer.net (4 Hrs. Tested)
 - * Investigating Motor Vehicle Fires, CFITrainer.net (4 Hrs. Tested)
 - * Motive, Means, and Opportunity: Determining Responsibility in an Arson Case, CFITrainer.net (4 Hrs. Tested)
 - * The Scientific Method for Fire and Explosion Investigation, CFITrainer.net (3 Hrs. Tested)

- 2009
 - * Vehicle and Structure Fire Training Session, Rimkus
 - * IL-IAAI Northern Zone Training Conference
 - * The Scientific Method for Fire and Explosion Investigations, CFITrainer.net

- 2007
 - * IASIU International Annual Training

- 2006
 - * Illinois Chapter IAAI Annual Training Conference, Champaign, IL

- 2001 * Central Illinois Fire Investigators Association (CIFIA) Annual Training Conference, East Peoria, IL
- 2000 * National Healthcare Anti-Fraud Association (NHCAA) Annual Training Conference
* Illinois Chapter IAAI Annual Training Conference, Urbana, IL (28 Hrs. Tested)
- 1999 * National Insurance Crime Bureau (NICB) Advanced Special Investigations Academy
* Central Illinois Fire Investigators Association (CIFIA) Annual Training Conference, East Peoria, IL
* Illinois Chapter IAAI Annual Training Conference, Urbana, IL
- 1998 * Gas & Electric Appliance Fire Seminar, Fire Findings, Benton Harbor, MI
* Central Illinois Fire Investigators Association (CIFIA) Annual Training Conference, Peoria, IL
* Illinois Chapter IAAI Annual Training Conference, Urbana, IL
- 1997 * IASIU International Annual Training
* Central Illinois Fire Investigators Association (CIFIA) Annual Training Conference, Peoria, IL
- 1996 * International Association of Arson Investigators International Annual Training Conference, St. Louis, MO (28 Hrs. Tested)
* Illinois Chapter IAAI Annual Training Conference, Urbana, IL (24 Hrs. Tested)
- 1995 * Third District Arson Seminar, Harvey, IL (12 Hrs.)
* Northern Illinois Arson Seminar, Rockford, IL
* Central Illinois Fire Investigators Association (CIFIA) Annual Training Conference
* Illinois Chapter IAAI Annual Training Conference, Urbana, IL (32 Hrs. Tested)
- 1994 * Northern Illinois Arson Seminar, Rockford, IL
* Central Illinois Fire Investigators Association (CIFIA) Annual Training Conference
* Illinois Chapter IAAI Annual Training Conference, Urbana, IL (32 Hrs. Tested)
* National Insurance Crime Bureau (NICB) Special Investigations Academy

IASIU AND ILLINOIS CHAPTER IASIU MONTHLY TRAINING SESSIONS

- 2022 * Evidence: Fire Scene to Lab to Courtroom
* PI's in the field: Manned and Unmanned Surveillance
* The Fraudsters Mindset
* HVAC Copper Theft
* IASIU Ethics Course
* Workers Compensation Fraud
- 2021 * EUO's: When and How to Use This Tool
* NFPA 921: Is Negative Corpus Dead?
* Spring Storms and Their Effect on Property Fraud

- 2020
 - * EDR and Damage Analysis for Fraud Investigations
 - * Financial Factoring and the Commodity of Debt
 - * Workers Comp Investigations, from Single Claim to Major Case
 - * Synthetic IDs
 - * Process Driven Social Media Investigations
 - * Medical Canvassing
 - * Material Misrepresentation
 - * Investigation to Litigation
 - * Investigating Body Shop and Odometer Fraud
 - * In Person vs Phone Interviewing Claimants
 - * Exposing Insurance Fraud with Vehicle Crash Data
 - * Investigating PA Claims
 - * Tow Vendors and Litigation Loans
 - * Investigating Low Impact Injury Claims
 - * Telemedicine: An Emerging Trend

- 2019
 - * Low Speed Collisions
 - * Pain Management Claims
 - * Auto Theft Task Force
 - * NICTA Ethics Course

- 2018
 - * Use of Smart Technology in Arson
 - * Online Searching Tools

- 2017
 - * Investigative Tips from Inspector General
 - * IL Work Comp Fraud Bureau

- 2016
 - * NICB Investigations
 - * Implementing Analytics
 - * IASIU Ethics Course

- 2015
 - * Investigation of Suspicious Claims and Motive
 - * Workers Comp Fraud
 - * Operationalizing Fraud Analytics
 - * Handwriting Analysis

- 2014
 - * Exponent Failure Analysis
 - * Social Intelligence Gathering

- 2013
 - * Auto Theft in Chicago
 - * Legal Updates

CERTIFICATIONS

International Association of Arson Investigators

IAAI-CFI, #12-166

National Association of Fire Investigators

NAFI-CFEI, #28141-16351v

NAFI-CVFI, #28141-16351v

Licenses and Certifications

Certified Fire Investigator (IAAI-CFI) (2006) International Association of Arson Investigators (IAAI)

Certified Insurance Fraud Investigator (CIFI) (2001) International Association of Special Investigation Units (IASIU)

Fraud Claim Law Specialist (FCLS) (1995) American Educational Institute (AEI)

Certified Firefighter I & II (WI) (2012 & 2016)

Licensed Emergency Medical Responder (EMR) (2013)

Certified Driver/Pump Operator (WI) (2014)

Licensed Emergency Medical Technician (EMT) (WI) (2015)

INSTRUCTOR OR PANELIST

COUNTRY Financial Insurance Training for Claims Staff for Fire and Fraud Claims (1995 – 2021)

IAAI/IASIU Fire Investigation for the Insurance Professional (2017)

Randall Fire Department – First Responders Role in Fire Investigation (2016)

Twin Lakes Fire Department – First Responders Role in Fire Investigation (2016)

Fire Investigators Strike Force – Connections Insurance Investigation and Fire Investigation (2015)

PUBLICATIONS

NICB Property Claim Investigation Guide (Credited Contributor 2018)

ENGAGEMENTS

Illinois Hijacking & Motor Vehicle Theft Prevention & Insurance Verification Council

Illinois Secretary of State Office 2018 – 2023 (Retired)

Governor appointed

General Council Member

Grant Review Committee Member

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

International Association of Arson Investigators
Illinois Chapter, International Association of Arson Investigators
Wisconsin Chapter, International Association of Arson Investigators
International Association of Special Investigation Units (IASIU)
Illinois Chapter, International Association of Special Investigation Units

FIRE SERVICE AND EMPLOYMENT EXPERIENCE

4/23 – Present	Fire Investigator, FireTech, Inc., East Peoria, IL
2015 – Present	Firefighter/EMT, Twin Lakes Fire Department and Rescue Squad
2015 – Present	Kenosha County Fire Investigation Task Force (WI) Founding Member Investigation Team Leader Executive Board Member
2012 – Present	Town of Randall Volunteer Fire Department Battalion Chief (1/2023 – Present) Captain (1/2021 – 1/2023) Lieutenant (7/2013 – 1/2021) EMS Coordinator (7/2013 – Present) Firefighter / EMT (2/2012 – 7/2013)
1989 – 4/23	COUNTRY Financial (CCSI – Country Mutual Insurance Company) Claims (Multi-Line Office, Field, Senior Positions), 7+ Years Special Investigations Unit (Investigator, Supervisor, Manager), 27+ Years