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Curriculum Vitae

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EXPERIENCE

2015 - Present

GREAT FALLS POLICE DEPARTMENT

General Case Detective, Great Falls, Montana

Responsibilities include investigating death scenes in order to determine cause and manner. Process both violent homicide/assault scenes, non-violent property crime scenes, staged crime scenes, and officer involved shootings in order to preserve, identify, document and collect various items of evidence. Certified to operate and testify in use of the Faro 3D Crime Scene Scanner. Work closely with local coroner's office and State Medical Examiners while attending post mortem exams to complete equivocal death investigations. Research and recommend various items/equipment for crime scene processing for both field and department use. Complete detailed reports of incidents and provide expert testimony in court. During this time worked more than 50 suspicious death/homicide scenes, 6 of which was assigned lead investigator.

2011 - 2015

Patrol Officer, Great Falls, Montana

Responsibilities included responding to various radio calls which included both cold and in progress violent crimes. Follow up with various criminal cases in order to gather the needed evidence and information to obtain successful prosecutions. Was an active field training officer with emphasis spent to teach new officers the proper methods of processing crime scenes, importance of evidence collection, preservation and documentation.

2009 – 2011

HAVRE POLICE DEPARTMENT

Sergeant, Havre, Montana

Responsibilities included supervising several officers while handling various criminal investigations. Mentored younger officers in proper crime scene investigation and processing methods and techniques. Was assigned lead officer on any natural or suspicious death scenes and worked closely with the assigned coroner in order to determine cause and manner of death. Worked closely with local prosecutors in order to build successful cases from the crime scene to court. Also served as a field training officer which allowed me to teach new officers how to properly handle both simple and complex crime scenes/investigations.

2005 – 2009

Patrol Officer, Havre, Montana

Responsibilities included responding to calls for service and processing various types of crime scenes in order to preserve, identify, document and collect items of evidence. Assigned to manage department's evidence

inventory, research case status and handle according to case disposition. Also assisted in researching and ordering various evidence collection supplies and training on their proper use.

2004 – 2005

WOLF POINT POLICE DEPARTMENT

Patrolman, Wolf Point, Montana

Responsibilities included patrolling city wide and responding to calls for service. Calls included disturbances, property crimes, sexual offenses, serious assaults to homicides. Was responsible for preserving, locating, documenting and collecting various items of evidence. Also testified in local, state, federal and tribal court rooms. Worked closely with drug task force and federal partners due to violent crime associated in Indian Country.

2002 – 2004

ROOSEVELT COUNTY / FORT PECK TRIBES 911 EMERGENCY CALL CENTER

Emergency Dispatcher, Wolf Point, Montana

Responsibilities included answering both emergent and non-emergent radio calls in order to organize and dispatch the appropriate resources. Resources included police, fire, medical, fish and game, and department of transportation. At the request of law enforcement would complete various CJIN/NCIC database checks.

ADDITIONAL TRAINING (1,304 hours of total POST accredited training)

- MT Coroner's Refresher/Death Investigations, Great Falls, MT (2018)
- Montana Violent Crime Investigators Association, "Homicide Investigations From Call to Court" (various instructors), Missoula, Montana (2017)
- FBI Basic Historical Cell Site Analysis Course, Cellular Analysis Survey Team (CAST), Missoula, Montana (2017)
- Dustin Forensics/Faro Focus 3D Crime Scene Scanner, Great Falls, Montana (2017)
- Montana Medicolegal Death Investigation Conference, University of Montana School of Extended & Lifelong Learning, Missoula, Montana (2016)
- Fundamentals of Crime Scene Examination and Evidence Collection, Ron Smith and Associates, Great Falls, Montana (2016)
- Background Investigations for Public Safety Positions, Glacken and Associates, Billings, Montana (2016)
- Labor Relations Information System (LRIS), Advanced Course in Police Discipline, Las Vegas, Nevada (2015)
- Primary SWAT/Tactical Team Operations, Great Falls, Montana (2015)
- Inside the Tape Homicide Investigation & Crime Scene Management (2014)
- Montana Violent Crime Investigators Association "Advanced Homicide Investigation Officer Involved Shootings", Billings, Montana (2013)
- Child Forensic Interview, Montana Department of Justice Criminal Investigations, Helena, Montana (2013)

- Police Vehicle Operations Course (PVOC) Instructor, Montana Law Enforcement Academy, Helena, Montana (2012)
- Leadership and Mastering Performance Management Phase I & II, Gallagher-Westfall Group, Inc, Helena, Montana (2010)
- React to Active Shooter, Billings Police Department, Havre Montana (2010)
- FLETC State and Local Law Enforcement Training Symposium, Helena Montana (2010)
- Field Training Officer, Kaminsky and Associates, Inc, Missoula Montana (2010)
- Sergeant's Academy, The Results Group, Ltd. Great Falls, Montana (2009)
- Basic Instructor Development, Great Falls, Montana (2009)
- Montana Violent Crime Investigators Association Conference, Homicide Investigation, Missoula, Montana (2008)
- Crime Scene Processing for Patrol Officers, Forensic Training Services, Inc, Billings Montana (2008)
- FLETC Drug Law Enforcement School for Patrol Officers, Shelby, Montana (2007)
- The Reid Technique of Interview and Interrogation, John E. Reid and Associates, Glasgow, Montana (2006)
- State and Local Anti-Terrorism Training, Tribal Lands Anti-Terrorism Briefing, US Department of Justice, Havre, Montana (2006)
- Gang Homicide Investigation, Rocky Mountain Information Network (RMIN)/Arizona Homicide Investigators Association (AHIA), Scottsdale, Arizona (2006)
- Northern Border Narcotics Interdiction Targeting & Enforcement Operations, US Customs and Border Protection, Cut Bank Montana (2006)
- Montana Law Enforcement Academy Class #125, Helena, Montana (2005)
- Montana Law Enforcement Academy Class #25, Helena, Montana (2002)
- Arson Detection for the 1st Responder, Montana State University Extension Service, Wolf Point, Montana (2002)

CERTIFICATIONS

- Certified Crime Scene Analyst International Association of Identification 2018
- Peace Officer Instructor-Firearms 2016
- Peace Officer Advanced Certificate 2016
- Field Training Officer 2010
- Peace Officer Supervisory Certificate 2010
- Peace Officer Intermediate Certificate 2009
- Peace Officer Basic Certificate 2007
- Public Safety Communicator Certificate 2002

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

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| 2018 | Great Falls Police Active Shooter (adjunct instructor) |
| 2017 | Great Falls Police Citizens Master Academy / Interview & Interrogation |
| 2017-present | Armed Intruder / Medical blocks (several 2 hour blocks) |
| 2017 | Tourniquet application/Combat Casualty Care Havre Police Department |
| 2017 | Great Falls Police Citizen's Academy Investigations overview/case study |
| 2016 | Great Falls Police Citizen's Master Academy / Interview & Interrogation |
| 2016 | Great Falls Police SWAT Basic (adjunct instructor) |
| 2016 | Tourniquet application/Combat Casualty Care Department Homeland Security (Great Falls) |
| 2015-current | Tourniquet application/Combat Casualty Care Great Falls Police |
| 2015 | Great Falls Police Citizen's Academy Investigations overview/case study |
| 2012-2015 | Police Vehicle Operations Montana Law Enforcement Academy (adjunct instructor/primary agency instructor) |
| 2011-current | Montana Law Enforcement Academy Firearms Basic Academy (adjunct instructor) |
| 2008-2011 | Havre Police Department Firearms (interagency) |
| 2008 | Havre School District Law Related Education (1 hour blocks) |
| 2007 | Havre Middle School District Safe Driving (1 hour blocks) |

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

International Association of Identification

- 2017 member

Montana Violent Crime Investigators Association

- 2017 board of directors

Great Falls Police Protective Association

- 2018 President
- 2017 Vice President

- 2016 Vice President

Montana Police Protective Association

- 2010 Executive Board Member
- 2009 Executive Board Member

Special Olympics Montana

- 2006-2011 Law Enforcement Torch Run Leg Leader
- 2006-2011 Law Enforcement Special Event Coordinator

CAREER AWARDS

- 2017 Award of Commendation
- 2015 MPPA/MACOP Officer Of the Year (State of Montana)
- 2015 Great Falls Police Letter of Commendation
- 2012 Great Falls Police Letter of Commendation
- 2011 Letter of Appreciation Lewis and Clark County Sheriff's Office (agency assistance)
- 2010 Special Olympics Montana "Un-Sung Hero Award"
- 2009 NAPO Top Cop Honorable Mention
- 2009 Medal of Honor Montana Police Protective Association/MT Chief's Of Police
- 2008 Medal of Valor Havre Police Department