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Curriculum Vitae

EDGAR R. "RON" SMITH

Professional Specialties

Latent Print Examination / Forensic Management / Crime Scene Examination

Instructional Areas: Latent Print Examinations & Courtroom Testimony Techniques

Experience

July 1, 2002 - Present President: Ron Smith & Associates, Inc.

Duties: Forensic consulting and technical training of forensic specialists and criminal investigators. Conduct case consultations with prosecutors and defense attorneys. Provide full range of latent print related services to law enforcement agencies and the private sector. Review of expert witness testimony transcripts and provision of technical testimony training in both criminal and civil cases. Determine and implement company policies and supervise daily activities of full time and contractual employees and forensic specialists. Conducted seminars in over 45 states and numerous other countries.

December 1987 - June 31, 2002 Mississippi Crime Laboratory

Position: Associate Director

Duties: Supervised daily forensic activities of a regional forensic laboratory. Served as senior latent print examiner and technical reviewer of latent print casework. Served as the primary expert witness testimony trainer for the Mississippi Crime Laboratory system. Served as the AFIS latent print coordinator for the State of Mississippi. Supervised crime scene examinations. Lectured at the state law enforcement academy.

January 1978 - November 1987 Mississippi Crime Laboratory

Position: Fingerprint Examiner III

Duties: Examined physical evidence for the presence or absence of latent prints and conducted comparisons with known inked prints. Provided expert witness testimony. Supervised the daily activities of all other latent print examiners within the Mississippi Crime Laboratory system. Collected physical evidence at crime scenes. Lectured at the state law enforcement academy.

Position: Fingerprint Examiner

Duties: Examined physical evidence for the presence or absence of latent prints and conducted comparisons with known inked prints. Supervised the daily activities of other latent print examiners. Lectured at the state law enforcement academy. Conducted crime scene examinations.

June 1972 - May 1973 Federal Bureau of Investigation

Position: Fingerprint Technician

Duties: Classified, searched and filed criminal arrest fingerprint cards using modified Henry system of fingerprint classification.

Education

Earned a Bachelor's of Science Degree in Interdisciplinary Studies (Criminal Justice and Management) from Mississippi State University

Professional Affiliations

International Association for Identification:

Positions Held: Chairman of Fingerprint Identification Committee (2 years)

Chairman of Standardization Review II Committee (2 years) Member of Resolution, Membership and Safety Committees

Regional Vice-President (6 years)

Member of Latent Print Examiner Certification Board (6 years)

Member of IAI Board of Directors (7 years)

Mississippi Division of International Association for Identification:

Positions held: Charter Member Secretary/Treasurer

Vice-President (Two Terms) President (Two Terms)
Chairman, Board of Directors Regional Representative

Professional Certifications

Diplomate of the International Association for Identification as a Certified Latent Print Examiner

Diplomate of the International Association for Identification as a Certified Senior Crime Scene Analyst (1990 thru 2012)

Awards

Recipient of the "John A. Dondero Memorial Award" presented by the International Association for Identification at their Annual Educational Conference in Miami, Florida in July 2001. This is the highest award available from the I.A.I. for a professional working within the forensic identification field.

Recipient of the "Dedication to Service" award presented by the International Association for Identification at their Annual Educational Conference in Dallas, Texas in August 2005.

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