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Latent Print Specialist

Crime Scene Reconstruction

Forensic Document Analyst

EXPERIENCE

· Employed with Speckin Forensic Laboratories- October 1997- Present

Responsibilities include the development and preservation of latent prints from all types of evidence and the comparison of latent prints in order to make identifications, all aspects of forensic document analysis including handwriting and crime scene investigation and reconstruction.

· Michigan State Police Crime Lab (1976-1997)

Transferred to the Warren Crime Laboratory in May of 1976 and successfully completed a mandatory three year training program in latent print processing and identification and crime scene collection/preservation of evidence by court qualified forensic examiners. During this time period I worked on over 7600 cases and assisted in the processing of approximately 200 major crime scenes.

· Michigan State Police (1972-1976)

Successfully completed trooper recruit school in the fall of 1972 and was assigned as a road trooper at the Romeo State Police Post from 1972 until May of 1976. During this time my activities included road patrol, crime scene investigation, the investigation of criminal activity and testimony in court.

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

- Michigan-Ontario Identification Association – Life Member
- International Association for Identification – Life Member
- American Academy of Forensic Sciences – Provisional Member

FORMAL EDUCATION

- Bachelor of Science degree in Criminal Justice from Michigan State University, 1972

TECHNICAL EDUCATION

- Three-year training program in latent print processing/identification and crime scene collection and preservation of evidence under the guidance of court qualified Michigan State Police forensic specialists.
- International Homicide Investigation in Findlay Ohio
- Recovering Skeletal Remains, Dept. of State Police/MSU School of Anthropology
- Supervisor Development, Michigan State Police, Lansing, MI

MICHAEL J. SINKE

- Forensic Pathology-The Study of Violent Death, MSU School of Criminal Justice
- Instructor Development- Federal Bureau of Investigation, Michigan State Police Academy, Lansing, MI
- Crime Scene Investigation, Federal Bureau of Investigation, Quantico, VA
- Advanced Latent Print, Federal Bureau of Investigation, Washtenaw Community College, Ypsilanti, MI
- The Physical Significance of Bloodstain Evidence, Laboratory of Forensic Science, Corning, New York
- Three Year training program at Speckin Forensics Laboratories in Forensic Document Analysis under the guidance of Leonard Speckin, Robert Kullman and Erich Speckin.

COURT QUALIFIED

- Latent prints (development and identification)
- Document Analysis
- Crime Scene Reconstruction

ACTIVITIES

- Prior Teaching/Lecturing Experience/Other
- Served on the committee for the establishment of the Automated Fingerprint Identification System for the Michigan State Police
- Guest lecturer at Lansing Community College and Michigan State University
- Involved in teaching of new state police recruits and crime scene investigators at the Michigan State Police Academy for almost two decades.
- Member of Pre-ASCLD inspection team for the New York City Crime Laboratory (latent prints and questioned documents).
- Member of Investigative Team for the Houston Police Department Crime Laboratory Review Project (questioned documents).
- Participated in reenactments and interviews for casework performed for Unsolved Mysteries, 48 Hours and Forensic Files.