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Courtroom Testimony for Fingerprint Examiners

Instructor: Cameron Stauffer, CLPE

September 19 - 21, 2022 | 8 am - 5 pm

Tuition: \$459

Location:

**St. Louis Metropolitan Police Department
1915 Olive Street | St. Louis, MO 63103**

Lodging information:

**Courtyard by Marriott, St. Louis Downtown West
2340 Market Street | St. Louis, MO 63103
314-241-9111**

Room Rate: \$141 per night plus tax | Free Wi-Fi & \$10 per day for Parking

Booking Info: Call the hotel directly and mention Courtroom Testimony to receive this special rate.

This course has been approved for the following certification/recertification training credits: IAI Crime Scene Certification Board - 20, Latent Print Certification - 24, Tenprint Fingerprint Certification - 24, and Forensic Video Certification Board - 24. Please visit the IAI Certifications page at tritechtraining.com for additional information.



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ABOUT TRITECH

A leader in the forensics market, Tri-Tech Forensics provides evidence collection and crime scene investigation products and training to crime labs and crime scene investigators throughout the world. With over 30 years of experience, we are the nation's most proficient developer and manufacturer of forensic kits. We are committed to providing our customers with state-of-the-art forensics products and services at affordable prices. It is our goal, through our research and development program, to continue to develop superior products and training to aid in all aspects of crime scene investigation and crime lab analysis. We know how important our products and training are to the forensics community, from investigation to prosecution. Our mission is the same as our customers – *Identify. Protect. Preserve.*

COURSE DESCRIPTION

Courtroom Testimony for Fingerprint Examiners

In this new course, students will gain the knowledge and practical experience necessary to successfully and confidently testify in a court of law as a latent print examiner or tenprint examiner.

Fingerprint examiners are frequently called upon to testify in court regarding their techniques, observations, and conclusions. In order to be accepted as an expert witness, the fingerprint examiner must display a current and in-depth knowledge of the science. Although fingerprint testimony was accepted with few judicial challenges for over one hundred years, challenges to fingerprint science as a method of human identification are becoming more common. These challenges are usually brought forth in what are called Frye or Daubert hearings. The use of these hearings was the result of several judicial decisions in the late 20th Century.

The goal of this Courtroom Testimony for Fingerprint Examiners course is to provide the students with the knowledge, confidence and practical experience

necessary to survive qualifying questioning (voir dire), direct, and cross-examination. Students will learn how to take control of their testimony by preparing themselves and the concerned attorney(s) for the voir dire as well as direct examination. The course will cover techniques the witness can employ to effectively explain fingerprint science and its application to the judge and jury.

In order to maximize the students' opportunity to succeed, this course includes a review of the Frye decision and the Daubert trilogy, as well as several challenges to the admission of fingerprint evidence in court cases, including US v Mitchell (1999).

This course will employ both lecture and hands-on training, culminating in a full moot court on the third day of instruction. Due to the extensive amount of hands-on training in this course, enrollment is restricted to 16 participants.

COURSE INSTRUCTOR

CAMERON STAUFFER, CLPE



Cameron Stauffer is currently employed by the Broward County Sheriff's Office Crime Lab as a Criminalist III within the Latent Print Unit. He holds a Bachelors of Science degree from the University of South Carolina and a Technical Certificate in Mathematics/English from the Technical College of the Lowcountry. He is also certified by the International Association for Identification as a Certified Latent Print Examiner (CLPE).

Stauffer began his career as a Tenprint Examiner at the Miami-Dade Police Department in 2013 and was promoted to a Latent Print Examiner in 2015. He was later hired by the Broward Sheriff's Office as a Criminalist II in 2019. Cameron has presented on multiple occasions for the FDIAl Region 5, Miami-Dade Police Department, Miami-Dade Public Safety Training Institute, Miami-Dade Medical Examiner's Office, FDIAl Annual Training Conferences, United States Customs and Border Protection, Broward Sheriff's Office Department of Corrections and the Gold Coast Forensic Association. At those venues, he has instructed courses on Lifting and Processing Latent Prints, Taking Legible Prints, Courtroom Testimony, Latent Evidence Processing, ACE-V/Comparing Smart and Networking in Forensics.

Cameron is currently the Second Vice President of the FDIAl and is a member of the parent body IAI and Gold Coast Forensic Association. He is also on the Latent Print Science and Practices Committee, a member of the Long Range Planning Committee, and the Chairperson of the Resolutions and Legislative Committee for the FDIAl. He previously held the Region 5 Director position and oversaw Miami-Dade, Broward and Monroe counties from 2016-2019 and was the Third Vice President of the FDIAl from 2019-2021.