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Shooting Incident Documentation

Instructor: Cory Latham, CSCSA
August 21 - 23, 2017

Tuition: \$399

Westminster Police Department
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Lodging information:

Ayres Hotel Fountain Valley / Huntington Beach
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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

Shooting Incident Documentation

Detectives and forensic investigators are frequently summoned to scenes of violence involving firearms. These incidents, including homicides and officer-involved shootings, should be investigated to their logical conclusion. That requires an understanding of the firearms related evidence at the scene, and how to properly document it.

This two and one-half-day course teaches the student how to properly interpret physical evidence, and to document the scene through notetaking, diagramming, and photography. Use of rods, lasers, and protractors will be covered, as will the use of mathematics in determining bullet flight paths.

This is designed as an introduction to the 40-hour Shooting Incident Reconstruction course, or as a standalone course for those students more concerned with documenting scenes as opposed to reconstructing them.

Course content:

Day 1 Intro / Shooting Reconstruction Concepts

Firearms & Ammunition Components
Defect Characteristics & Target Surface Considerations

Day 2 Review Defect Characteristics & Day 1 Exercises

Chemical Testing of Defects
The Laboratory's Role in Shooting Reconstruction
Flight Path Rods
Vehicles

Day 3 Mathematics in Shooting Reconstruction Class Wrap-up & Certificates

This course does not include live-fire exercises.

COURSE INSTRUCTOR

CORY LATHAM

Cory started his career in 1997, working as a Forensic Scientist in the Biology/DNA Section. In 2001, he transferred to the position of Special Agent where he was assigned to the field division. During this period, he primarily worked with death investigations and person crimes. In 2010, Cory was selected as Team Leader of his agency's Crime Scene Response Team and continues to serve in that position.

He holds a Bachelor's degree in Life Science from Kansas State University and is a graduate of the National Forensic Academy, Session 26. Cory is certified through the International Association for Identification (IAI) as a Certified Senior Crime Scene Analyst and Bloodstain Pattern Analyst. He is a court recognized expert in the areas of crime scene analysis, shooting reconstruction, and bloodstain pattern analysis. He also serves as a subject matter expert and instructor for the National Forensic Academy in the areas of crime scene management as well as bloodstain pattern analysis and shooting reconstruction.

Cory is President and Crime Scene Certification committee chairman for the Kansas Division of the IAI. He serves on the IAI's Science and Practice Subcommittee for BPA and, since 2009, on the Association for Crime Scene Reconstruction (ACSR) Board.

