



## **Southern Service Center**

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### **EDUCATION:**

Union High School  
Rimersburg, Pennsylvania

Pennsylvania State Police Academy  
Hershey, Pennsylvania  
Police Procedures

### **MILITARY:**

US Air Force  
Airman 1<sup>st</sup> E-4  
Tactical Wing  
Weapons & Electrical Technician

### **EMPLOYMENT:**

Unified Investigations & Sciences, Inc.  
Knoxville, Tennessee  
Senior Investigator  
July 2004 to Present

Crawford Investigation Services  
Knoxville, Tennessee  
Operations Manager and Fire Investigator  
June 1997 to June 2004

## **EMPLOYMENT (CON'T):**

UBA Fire and Explosion Investigations  
Harrisburg, Pennsylvania  
1995 to 1996

Pennsylvania State Police  
Harrisburg, Pennsylvania  
Police Officer, Criminal Investigator, and Fire Marshal  
April 1971 to March 1995

## **SPECIALIZED TRAINING:**

- Tennessee Chapter International Association of Arson Investigators, Pigeon Forge, Tennessee, Modern Techniques of Fire and Arson Investigation, Certificate Awarded, 32 hours, August 1 through 6, 2010
- Tennessee Chapter International Association of Arson Investigators, Pigeon Forge, Tennessee, Modern Techniques of Fire and Arson Investigation, Certificate Awarded, 32 hours, August 24 through 28, 2009
- Tennessee Chapter International Association of Arson Investigators, Gatlinburg, Tennessee, Modern Techniques of Fire & Arson Investigation, Certificate Awarded, August 2008, 32 hours, Tested
- Tennessee Chapter International Association of Arson Investigators, Pigeon Forge, Tennessee, Modern Techniques of Fire & Arson Investigation, Certificate Awarded, 32 hours, August 6-10, 2007, Tested
- SEAK Seminar, Advanced Deposition Skills for Experts, Warren Group in Inmo, South Carolina, Certificate Awarded, 8 hours, May 10, 2007
- Tennessee Chapter International Association of Arson Investigators, Gatlinburg, Tennessee, Modern Techniques of Fire & Arson Investigation, Certificate Awarded, 32 hours, July 31 to August 4, 2006, Tested
- Tennessee Chapter International Association of Arson Investigators, Gatlinburg, Tennessee, Modern Techniques of Fire & Arson Investigation, Certificate Awarded, 32 hours, August 1-5, 2005, Tested
- Tennessee Chapter International Association of Arson Investigators, Gatlinburg, Tennessee, Modern Techniques of Fire & Arson Investigation, Certificate Awarded, 32 hours, August 2-6, 2004, Tested

## **SPECIALIZED TRAINING (CON'T):**

- Georgia Fire Investigator's Association, Dalton, Georgia, Fire Investigation Techniques, Certificate Awarded, 19 hours, March 3-5, 2004, Tested
- Tennessee Chapter International Association of Arson Investigators, Gatlinburg, Tennessee, Modern Techniques of Fire & Arson Investigation, Certificate Awarded, 32 hours, August 4-8, 2003, Tested
- Tennessee Emergency Management Agency, Tennessee State Fire Academy, Shelbyville, Tennessee, Domestic Preparedness/WMD Awareness and Operations Training, Certificate Awarded, 16 hours, May 14-15, 2003
- New Mexico Tech, Energetic Materials Research & Testing Center, Tennessee State Fire School, Incident Response to Terrorist Bombings, Awareness Training Course, Certificate Awarded, 8 hours, May 14, 2003
- North Carolina Insurance Crime Information Exchange, Southern Pines, North Carolina, Aspects of Insurance Fraud, Certificate Awarded, 12 hours, February 2003, Tested
- Crawford Investigation Services, Atlanta, Georgia, NFPA 921 Guide for Fire Explosive Investigations, Certificate Awarded, 40 hours, February 2003, Tested
- North Carolina/South Carolina Chapter, International Association of Arson Investigators, Myrtle Beach, South Carolina, Fire Investigation Approaches, Certificate Awarded, 32 hours, October 2002, Tested
- Tennessee Chapter, International Association of Arson Investigators, Gatlinburg, Tennessee, Techniques of Fire and Arson Investigation, Certificate Awarded, 32 hours, August 2002, Tested
- Pennsylvania Chapter, International Association of Arson Investigators, National Fire Academy, NFPA 921, Certificate Awarded, 16 hours, January 2001, Tested
- Tennessee Chapter International Association of Arson Investigators, Gatlinburg, Tennessee, Techniques of Arson Investigation, Certificate Awarded, 32 hours, August 2001, Tested
- Fire Findings Laboratories, Benton Harbor, Michigan, Investigation of Gas and Electric Appliance Fires, Certificate Awarded, 16 hours, October 2000, Tested
- Tennessee Chapter, International Association of Arson Investigators, Gatlinburg, Tennessee, Techniques of Arson Investigation, Certificate Awarded, 32 hours, August 2000, Tested

## **SPECIALIZED TRAINING (CON'T):**

- Tennessee Advisory Committee on Arson, Murfreesboro, Tennessee, Fire Investigation, Certificate Awarded, 32 hours, May 1999, Tested
- Georgia Chapter, International Association of Arson Investigators, Athens, Georgia, Fire Investigation, Certificate Awarded, 16 hours, March 1999
- Tennessee Chapter, International Association of Arson Investigators, Gatlinburg, Tennessee, Techniques of Fire Investigation, Certificate Awarded, 32 hours, August 1999, Tested
- Mississippi State Fire Academy, Jackson, Mississippi, Hazardous Materials Technician, Certificate Awarded, 45 hours, November 1998, Tested
- National Association of Fire & Explosion Investigators, Atlanta, Georgia, Cause and Origin of Fires & Explosions, Certificate Awarded, 16 hours, August 1998, Tested
- Tennessee Chapter International Association of Arson Investigators, Gatlinburg, Tennessee, Techniques of Arson Investigation, Certificate Awarded, 32 hours, August 1997, Tested
- National Fire Academy, Murfreesboro, Tennessee, Arson Detection for the First Responder, Train-The-Trainer, Certificate Awarded, 40 hours, April 1997, Tested
- Tennessee Chapter International Association of Arson Investigators, Gatlinburg, Tennessee, Techniques of Arson Investigation, Certificate Awarded, 32 hours, August 1996, Tested
- International Association of Arson Investigators, Nashville, Tennessee, Electrical Fire Investigation, Certificate Awarded, 20 hours, January 1996, Tested
- Tennessee Chapter International Association of Arson Investigators, Gatlinburg, Tennessee, Techniques of Arson Investigation, Certificate Awarded, 32 hours, August 1995, Tested
- Pennsylvania State Fire Academy, Lewiston, Pennsylvania, Fire & Arson Investigation, Electrical II Certificate Awarded, 32 hours, January 1995, Tested
- Federal Emergency Management Agency, Greentree, Pennsylvania, Juvenile Fire Setters Intervention, 16 hours, Certificate Awarded, September 1994, Tested
- Pennsylvania State Fire Academy, Lewiston, Pennsylvania, Fire & Arson Investigation, Electrical Certificate Awarded, 40 hours, September 1994, Tested

## **SPECIALIZED TRAINING (CON'T):**

- Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms National Academy, Brunswick, Georgia, Advanced Explosives Investigative Techniques, Certificate Awarded, 80 hours, September 1994, Tested
- Pennsylvania State Fire Academy, Lewistown, Pennsylvania, Fire & Arson Photography, Certificate Awarded, 24 hours April 1994, Tested
- National Fire Academy, Lewiston, Pennsylvania, Building Construction, Certificate Awarded, 32 hours March 1994, Tested
- Pennsylvania State Fire Academy, Lewistown, Pennsylvania, Advanced Arson Detection & Fire Investigation, Certificate Awarded, 30 hours, September 1993, Tested
- Lawrence County Fire Chief's Association, New Wilmington, Pennsylvania, Firefighter's Responsibilities in Arson Detection, Certificate Awarded, 16 hours, April 1992, Tested
- Pennsylvania Chapter International Association of Arson Investigators, State College, Pennsylvania, Arson Detection Certificate Awarded, 32 hours, June 1992, Tested
- Pennsylvania State Fire Academy, Lewiston, Pennsylvania, Advanced Arson Detection & Fire Investigation, Certificate Awarded, 40 hours, October 1991, Tested
- National Fire Academy, Hershey, Pennsylvania, Fire Arson Detection Certificate Awarded, 40 hours, October 1991, Tested
- Eastern Kentucky University, Richmond, Kentucky, Kinesics Interviewing, Certificate Awarded, 40 hours, December 1987, Tested
- Pennsylvania State Police Academy, Hershey, Pennsylvania, Auto Theft Certificate Awarded, 40 hours, March 1985, Tested
- Pennsylvania State Police Academy, Hershey, Pennsylvania, Criminal Investigator, Certificate Awarded, 80 hours, April 1979, Tested

## **EXPERIENCE:**

Mr. Fowler has personally worked or supervised, to date, more than 3,500 fire and explosion investigations across the United States and has over 35,000 hours on-site experience.

**PROFESSIONAL  
ORGANIZATIONS:**

International Association of Arson Investigators (IAAI)  
National Association of Fire Investigators (NAFI)  
Pennsylvania Chapter, International Association of Arson  
Investigators  
Tennessee Chapter, International Association of Arson  
Investigators  
Knoxville & Tennessee Claims Association  
Tri-State Fraud Investigations Association, Past President  
Tennessee Advisory Committee on Arson  
Tri-Cities Claims Association, President for 2005

**COURT  
QUALIFICATIONS:**

Expert Witness: Child Abuse  
Commonwealth of Pennsylvania  
Lawrence County, New Castle, Pennsylvania  
Mercer County, Mercer, Pennsylvania

Expert Witness: Fire Causation  
Commonwealth of Pennsylvania  
Lawrence County, New Castle, Pennsylvania

Beaver County, Beaver Falls, Pennsylvania  
Armstrong County, Kittanning, Pennsylvania

**EXPERT WITNESS  
QUALIFICATIONS:**

Expert Witness: Origin and Cause  
Federal Court Chattanooga, Tennessee  
Federal Court Knoxville, Tennessee  
State Court Atlanta, Georgia  
State Court Knoxville, Tennessee  
State Court McMinnville, Tennessee  
State Court Rome, Georgia  
Commonwealth Court Somerset, Kentucky  
State Court Jamestown, Tennessee  
Federal Court Rome, Georgia

**CERTIFICATIONS:**

International Association of Arson Investigators  
Certified Fire Investigator (No. 04-098)

**CERTIFICATIONS (CON'T):**

National Association of Fire Investigators  
Certified Fire and Explosion Investigator (No. 6234-2025)

National Fire Academy / Tennessee State Fire School  
Certified Instructor

**GUEST LECTURER:**

Chicora Fire Department, Chicora, Pennsylvania, ACT 921 Fire Investigation for Firemen, January 1993

Beaver County Fire Chief, Beaver Falls, Pennsylvania, ACT 921 Fire Investigation for Firemen, January 1993

Butler Fire Department, Butler, Pennsylvania, ACT 921 Fire Investigation for Firemen, February 1993

DER-Fire Wardens, Knox, Pennsylvania, ACT 921 Fire Investigation for Firemen, March 1993

Mercer Township Fire Department, Butler, Pennsylvania, ACT 921 Fire Investigation for Firemen, April 1993

Lawrence County Fire School, New Castle, Pennsylvania, ACT 921 Fire Investigation for Firemen, June 1993

City of Sharon Fire Department, Sharon, Pennsylvania, ACT 921 Fire Investigation for Firemen, August 1993

Beaver Falls Fire Department & West Mayfield Fire Department, Beaver County, Pennsylvania, ACT 921 Fire Investigation for Firemen, April 1994

Beaver County Fire Chiefs, Beaver County, Pennsylvania, ACT 921 Fire Investigations for Firemen, May 1994

Big Beaver Fire Department, Beaver County, Pennsylvania, ACT 921 Fire Investigations for Firemen, June 1994

Southern Beaver County Fire Department, Beaver County, Pennsylvania, ACT 921 Fire Investigations for Firemen, October 1994

**GUEST LECTURER (CON'T):**

Union Fire Department, Mahoning Fire Department, Edinburg,  
Pennsylvania, ACT 921 Fire Investigations for Firemen, February  
1995

**MAJOR LOSSES  
UNITED STATES:**

J & J Chemical  
Athens, Georgia  
Hazardous Materials Fire Loss Investigation  
August 2010

Kansas City Power and Light  
Kansas City, Missouri  
Electric Generating Plant, February 1999

R.J. Reynolds  
Rural Hall, North Carolina  
Tobacco Storage Warehouse, September 1997

Reactive Metals  
West Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, 1994

Cheese Manufacturing Plant  
New Castle, Pennsylvania, 1992