



Michigan Service Center

Franklin Matthews

Special Investigator

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EMPLOYMENT:

Unified Investigations & Sciences, Inc.
Special Investigator
Atlanta, Georgia
October 2006 – Present

Crawford Investigation Service, Inc.
Fire & Forensic Unit
Atlanta, Georgia
Special Investigator
August 2000 to October 2006

City of Alpena Fire Department
Alpena, Michigan
Fire Suppression Officer, Fire Marshal, Fire Investigator,
Deputy Chief
Sept. 1969 to April 2001

EDUCATION:

Rochester Michigan High School

Alpena Community College: Fire Science Program

Lansing MI Community College: Fire Science

SPECIALIZED TRAINING:

- Michigan Fire Fighters Training Council- Instructor Training -Fire Officer I-II-III-IV Classes-40 hours-2004-Tested
- Michigan Arson Control Committee-Update of NFPA 921-Sterling Heights Michigan- 2004- 7 Hours - Tested
- Michigan Chapter International Association Arson Investigators- Regional Arson Fire/Arson Investigation Seminar-Alpena Community Collage CRTC Site-Alpena- 6 hours- 2001
- Michigan Firefighters Training Council- Train the Trainer Clandestine Lab-Awareness Course-Lansing Michigan-2001-Tested
- On Guard Training For Life-CRTC Training Site-Phelps Collins Air Base- Alpena Michigan- 40 hours -2000-Tested
- Michigan Chapter International Association of Arson Investigators-Regional Seminar-Alpena CRTC/Alpena Community Collage- Techniques of Fire/Arson Investigation-16 hours-1999-Tested
- Michigan Arson Prevention Committee Juvenile Affairs Sub Committee & Macomb Community Collage - Bay City Michigan- Juvenile Fire setters Seminar- 1998-18 hours-Tested
- Michigan Chapter International Association of Arson Investigators-Special Course Fire/Arson Investigation-22 hours-1998-Tested
- Michigan Chapter International Association Arson Investigators-Regional Seminar- Alpena Community Collage-Alpena Michigan-1998-16 hours-Tested
- Michigan Firefighters Training Council-Lansing Michigan-Arson Detection for the First Responder-Train the Trainer(Instructor)- 16 hours-1997-Tested
- Michigan Chapter International Association of Arson Investigators- Central Michigan University-Mt Pleasant Michigan Special Course Fire and Arson Investigation-35 hours-1997-Tested
- Kirkland Community Collage - Law Enforcement Training Program-Alpena Michigan-Police Photography Course-8 hours-1996-Tested
- Ohio Fire Academy-Columbus Ohio-Hazardous Material Tech & Specialist Refresher Course-16 hours-Tested-1996
- Michigan State Police-Hazardous Materials Section-Crystal Mountain Facility-Frankfort Michigan-Hazardous Materials MEMA Training Conference-15 ½ hours-1996-Tested

SPECIALIZED TRAINING (CON'T):

- Ohio Department Of Public Safety- Division of Emergency Medical Services- CRTC Phelps Collins Air Base-Alpena Michigan-Hazardous Material Technician Refresher Course-8 hours-1995-Tested
- Michigan Chapter International Association Arson Investigators-Special Course Fire/Arson Investigation-35 hours-1995-Tested
- Michigan Chapter International Association Arson Investigators- Mt Pleasant Michigan- Special Course Fire/Arson Investigation-35 hours-1994-Tested
- Michigan Arson Prevention Committee-Bay City Michigan-Juvenile Arson and Prevention-20 hours-1993-Tested
- Michigan Chapter International Association of Arson Investigators-Eastern Michigan University Ypsilanti Michigan- Techniques of Fire/Arson Investigation-35 hours- 1993-Tested
- Michigan State Police Training Academy- Lansing Michigan- Hazardous Material Technician Level Training-80 hours-1993 Tested.
- Criminal Justice Training Center-Macomb Community Collage-Mt. Clemens Michigan- Juvenile Fire Setters Training- 18 hours-1993-Tested
- Michigan Firefighters Training Council- Hazardous Material Operations Level Training-18 hours-1992-Tested
- Michigan Chapter International Association of Arson Investigators-Western Michigan University-Kalamazoo Michigan-Techniques of Fire/Arson Investigation-35 hours-1992-Tested
- Michigan Firefighters Training Council- Alpena Michigan-Hazardous Material Awareness Class-4 hours- 1991-Tested
- Michigan Chapter International Association of Arson Investigators- Fire/Arson Investigation-Central Michigan University-Mt Pleasant Michigan- 32 hours-1991-Tested
- Michigan Chapter International Association of Arson Investigators-Regional Seminar-Alpena Michigan- Techniques of Fire/Arson Investigation-6 hours-1991-Tested
- International Association of Arson Investigators International Seminar -Dearborn Michigan- Techniques of Fire Investigation- 35 hours-1990- Tested
- Michigan Arson School-Western Michigan University- Kalamazoo Michigan- Techniques of Fire Arson Investigation- 32 hours-1988- Tested

SPECIALIZED TRAINING (CON'T):

- Michigan Chapter International Association of Arson Investigators- Techniques of Fire/Arson Investigation. Central Michigan University Mt. Pleasant Michigan- 36 hours- 1987- Tested
- National Fire Academy (FEMA) Emmetsburg Maryland- Techniques of Fire/Arson Investigation- 80 hours-1986-Tested.
- Michigan Chapter International Arson Investigators Association- Techniques of Fire/Arson Investigation- Eastern Michigan University Ypsilanti Michigan- 36 hours- 1986
- Michigan Chapter International Association of Arson Investigators-Regional Seminar Techniques of Fire/Arson Investigation- Alpena Community Collage- Alpena Michigan- 16 hours-1985
- Michigan Chapter International Association of Arson Investigators-Regional Seminar - Techniques of Fire/Arson Investigation-Kirkland Community Collage-Roscommon Michigan-6 hours- 1985
- National Fire Academy/Michigan Firefighters Training Council-Westland Michigan- Screening and Recognition of the Juvenile Fire Setter- 16 hours-1985
- Michigan Chapter International Arson Investigators- Techniques of Fire/Arson Investigation- 6 hours-1979
- International Association of Arson Investigators-Advanced Course of Fire/Arson Investigation-Lansing Michigan – 32 hours- 1979- Tested.
- Michigan State Police Fire Marshal Division- Regional Arson Seminar Techniques of Fire Investigation- Alpena Community Collage- Alpena Michigan- 6 hours- 1979.
- Michigan Arson Control Committee Seminar- Techniques of Fire/Arson Investigation-Ann Arbor Michigan-36 hours- 1978- Tested
- Michigan Fire Fighters Training Council- Traverse City Michigan- Hazardous Material Instructors Course- 1978-32 hours-Tested
- Michigan Arson Control-University of Michigan –Ann Arbor Michigan- Arson Control Course - 1978-24 hours
- Michigan Arson Control Committee Seminar- University Of Michigan Ann Arbor Michigan- Techniques of Fire/Arson Investigation- 26 Hours- 1977-Tested
- Michigan Chapter International Association of Arson Investigators- Techniques of Fire/Arson Investigation- 16 hours –1977

SPECIALIZED TRAINING (CON'T):

- Alpena Community Collage- Alpena Michigan- Techniques of Fire/Arson Investigation- 16 hours- 1977
- Michigan Arson Control Committee Seminar- University of Michigan- Ann Arbor Michigan – Techniques of Fire Arson Investigation- 24 hours -1976-Tested.
- Alpena Community Collage- Alpena Michigan- Techniques of Fire/Arson Investigation- 16 hours- 1976
- Alpena Community Collage- Alpena Michigan- Electrical Fire Investigation-4 hours-1976

EXPERIENCE:

Mr. Matthews has personally investigated over 1,110 structural fire investigations.
Investigations include fires and explosions,
Involving single & multiple fatalities, fraud, subrogation and vehicle losses.

PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS:

International Association of Arson Investigators (IAAI)

Michigan Fire Inspectors Society

CERTIFICATIONS:

Certified State Fire/Arson Investigator- Michigan
State Police Fire Marshal

COURT QUALIFICATIONS:

Court Qualified Expert witness - Fire Causation & Origin
Alpena County (MI) District Court, Michigan,
Alpena County (MI) Circuit Court, Michigan
Alcona County (MI) District Court, Michigan