

# **CURRICULUM VITAE Duane T. Lemons, CFI**

## Area of Specialization:

Fire Investigation

## Background and Professional Experience:

Mr. Duane T. Lemons has been a Fire Investigator for over twenty years. He has served the community of Carson City, Nevada as a Fire Inspector II / Investigator. Mr. Lemons is a Certified Fire Investigator and Evidence Collection Technician through the International Association of Arson Investigators and is also Pro-Board Certified as a fire investigator. In addition, Mr. Lemons is a Certified Fire and Explosion Investigator through the National Association of Fire Investigators and is a Certified Fire Plans Examiner, Building Plans Examiner, and Fire Inspector II through the International Code Council.

Mr. Lemons' certifications include Fire Investigator I, II & III, Fire Inspector I, II, & III and Plans Examiner from the Nevada State Fire Marshal's office. He also held certificates of registration from the Nevada State Fire Marshal's office for fire sprinklers, fire suppression systems and was an installer and field serviceman for these systems.

Prior to the fire service Mr. Lemons earned a Certification of Technology in Heating, Ventilating, and Air Conditioning from Odessa College. Mr. Lemons worked in the HVAC field for several years working on units from small window units to large commercial water chillers and boilers. Mr. Lemons was also a Certified Welder, graduating from Odessa Trade School. He operated a general oil field welding business in the early 1980's until moving into the HVAC trade.

With the work experience Mr. Lemons has acquired in his career, he has a solid background in fire investigation and exceeds the fundamental requirements of NFPA 921 and 1033.

## **AREAS OF EXPERTISE**

Arson and Bomb Investigation Fire Cause & Origin Fire, Life Safety & Codes

## Fire Protection Equipment and Service Practices Construction Defect (Fire related)

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

2015-Present Fire Cause Analysis, Berkeley, Ca. Fire Investigator (Nevada)

2013-Present Terry Taylor Investigations Minden, Nevada Fire Investigator

2000-Present Duane Lemons Code Consulting Carson City, Nevada Code Consultant/Plans Examiner

2001-2012 Carson City Fire Department Carson City, Nevada Fire Inspector II

Carson City Fire Department Carson City, Nevada Fire Inspector

Warren Engine Company # 1 Carson City, Nevada Training Officer and Firefighter

Carson City Building & Safety Division Carson City, Nevada Building Inspector

Firemaster, Sparks, Nevada Life Safety Technician

Carson City Fire Department Carson City, Nevada Fire Inspector Intern

City of Reno, Reno, Nevada Maintenance Worker II

State of Nevada Carson City, Nevada Heating & Air Conditioning Technician

OK Refrigeration Sparks, Nevada Heating & Air Conditioning Technician

Permian General Hospital Andrews, Texas Building Maintenance Engineer

Tomaco Industries Andrews, Texas Salesman

Lemons Heating & Air Conditioning Owner, Heating & Air Conditioning Technician Duane T. Lemons Welding Owner & Welder

J T Enterprises Odessa, Texas Welder

Various Construction Companies, Reno Nevada

#### **EDUCATION**

Western Nevada Community College, Carson City, Nevada Participation in Associates of Applied Science Degree/Fire Science

Truckee Meadows Community College, Reno, Nevada Participation in Heating and Air Conditioning Curriculum and Fire Science Classes

Odessa College, Odessa, Texas Certificate of Technology, Heating and Air Conditioning

Odessa Trade School, Odessa, Texas Certificate of Technology, Welding

#### PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

International Association of Arson Investigators
Nevada Chapter # 43, International Association of Arson Investigators
International Association of Fire Fighters
International Fire Code Institute
International Conference of Building Officials
International Code Council
Fire Prevention Association of Nevada
National Association of Fire Investigators

#### **EXPERT TESTIMONY**

Qualified as an expert for fire cause and origin in depositions Qualified as an expert for fire and life safety in Justice Court Districts 1 and 2 in Carson City, Nevada

#### **CERTIFICATIONS - FIRE SERVICE**

#### National Fire Academy

Fire/Arson Investigation – 1997, Tested Fire Inspection Principles – 1999, Tested Fire Protection; Structures and Systems – 2001, Tested Community Risk Issues and Intervention – 2003
Emergency Response to Terrorism – 1997
Presenting Effective Public Education Programs – 1994
Electrical Aspects of Fire Investigations – 2010 Tested
Commissioning New Occupancies – 2013
Residential Sprinkler Plan Review - 2012

#### California State Fire Marshal

Fire Prevention

Fire Prevention

Fire Investigation

1-A - 1994, Tested
1-B - 1994, Tested
1-A - 1997, Tested
1-B - 1997, Tested

#### California Division of Forestry

Wildland Fire Investigation - 1997

#### Nevada State Fire Marshal

Fire Prevention Officer I – 1994, Tested Hazardous Materials Team Member – 1994, Tested Fire Service Instructor II – 1998, Tested Incident Safety Officer – 1997, Tested Basic Wildland Firefighting – 1996, Tested Nevada Fire Investigator III Fire Inspector I – 2013 Tested Fire Inspector II – 2013 Tested Fire Inspector III – 2013 Tested Plans Examiner – 2013 Tested

## Nevada Division of Forestry

P-151 Wildfire Origin and Cause Determination – 2001 Wildland Arson Investigation – 2000

#### **International Association of Arson Investigators**

NFPA 921 Sword and Shield – 1996, Tested New Directions in Arson Investigation – 1997, Tested Advanced Fire Investigation – 1998, Tested Investigation of Electrical Appliance Fires - 1999, Tested Advanced Fire Investigation – 2002, Tested Advanced Fire Investigation – 2003, Tested Natural Gas Related Fires-2004, Tested Advanced Fire Investigation – 2004, Tested

Advanced Fire Investigation – 2006, Tested

Advanced Fire Investigation – 2007, Tested

Advanced Fire Investigation – 2008, Tested

Youth Set Fire Investigation – 2008, Tested

Basic fire Investigation Train the Trainer – 2009, Tested

Certified Fire Investigator # 43-018, Tested

Understanding Fire Through Candles Experiments-2009, Tested

Fire Investigator Scene Safety- 2009, Tested

Arc Mapping Basics- 2010, Tested

Documenting the Event- 2010, Tested

Uses of Natural Gas & Propane-2010, Tested

Electrical Safety- November 2010, Tested

Motive, Means, and Opportunity, August 2011 Tested

Introduction to Fire Dynamics and Modeling, September 2011, Tested

Evidence Collection Technician Certificate # 158, April 2014 Tested

2014 IAAI ITC General Session Examination – June, 2014 – Tested

Physical Evidence at the Fire Scene – January, 2014 – Tested

Introduction to Evidence – January, 2014 – Tested

Ethics and the Fire Investigator – February, 2014 – Tested

DNA – February, 2014 – Tested

NFPA 1033 and Your Career – February, 2014 – Tested

Evidence Examination: What Happens at the Lab? – February, 2014 – Tested

The Practical Application of the Relationship Between NFPA 1033 & 921 – February, 2014 – Tested

The Scientific Method for Fire and Explosion Investigation – February, 2014 – Tested

Basic Electricity - March, 2014 - Tested

Fatal Fire Investigations – September, 2014 – Tested

#### **International Fire Code Institute**

Uniform Fire Code Inspector # 0875309-65 – 1994, 1997, 2000, 2003, 2006, 2009 Tested Applications of the UBC for Fire Code Enforcement Personnel – 1994 Overview of the Uniform Fire Code – 1994 Inspection of Fire Sprinkler Systems – 1994

#### **International Conference of Building Officials**

Building Plans Examiner # 0875309-60 – 2000, 2003 & 2006, 2009, Tested UBC/UFC Plans Review and Inspection – 1994, Tested 1994 UBC Nonstructural Update – 1995 1994 Uniform Mechanical Code Update

#### **International Code Council**

Building Plans Examiner #0875309-66–2003, 2006, 2009, Tested Fire Inspector II #0875309-67 – 2003, 2006, 2009, Tested Fire Plans Examiner #0875309-F3, 2003, 2006 & 2009, Tested

#### American Fire Sprinkler Association

NFPA 13 Installation of Sprinkler Systems – 1997 Plan Review for Fire Sprinkler & Standpipe Systems – 1997 Hydraulic Calculation Seminar – 1997 NFPA 25 Maintenance and Testing of Fire Sprinkler Systems – 1997

#### **National Wildfire Coordinating Group**

S- 190 Introduction to Wildland Fire Behavior

FI-210 Wildland Fire Investigation, Tested

FI-210 Wildland Fire Investigation Instructor 2009

FI-210 Wildland Fire Investigation Instructor 2011

FI-210 Wildland Fire Investigation Instructor 2013

#### **National Fire Prevention Association**

Water Supply Analysis and Hydraulic Calculations 2013

#### **National Fire Sprinkler Association, Inc.**

Sprinkler Protection for Storage Occupancies – 1998 Pumps for Fire Protection – 1998

#### Fire Prevention Association of Nevada

Overview of NFPA 750: Water Mist Fire Suppression Systems – June, 2013

#### Lee S. Cole & Associates, Inc.

Investigation of Vehicle Fires – 2002

#### **Regional Public Safety Training Center**

Evidence collection & Packaging at Arson & Bombing Scenes-2009, Tested Advanced Post Blast Analysis and Investigation

## **National Board on Fire Service Professional Qualifications**

Fire Investigator-2009 Fire Investigator – 2014

# **National Association of Fire Investigators**

Certified Fire and Explosion Investigator # 16215-8699, Tested

# Copies of certificates available upon request

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