

CURRICULUM VITAE

LINDA POE

IAAI-CFI®, NAFI-CFEI

Ms. Poe joined Fire Cause Analysis in September 2019. Since that time she has investigated over 200 fires with Fire Cause Analysis. Prior to joining Fire Cause Analysis, Ms. Poe worked for the Clark County Fire Department in Las Vegas Nevada for over 19 years. She conducted over 600 fire investigations including residential, commercial, vehicles and wildland fires. Ms. Poe has training in fire investigations, fire education, fire suppression and law enforcement. She is an Internationally Certified Fire Investigator and National Certified Fire & Explosion Investigator.

Ms. Poe's investigations include handling large scale fires as well as fatalities, proving her ability to coordinate with law enforcement agencies, insurance companies, and Federal and State agencies.

Ms. Poe was a Nevada certified Peace Officer and completed the Nevada P.O.S.T program. She refined her investigative skills in origin and cause fire and explosion investigations, arson investigations, fatality fire investigations, and insurance investigations, as a result of her work experience and training received through Clark County Fire Department and Fire Cause Analysis.

Ms. Poe follows a systematic approach using the scientific method as outlined in NFPA 921 while performing fire scene investigations in accordance with NFPA 1033.

Professional Experience

- **Certified Fire Investigator**, Fire Cause Analysis, Berkeley, CA Sept 2019 – Present

Duties: Respond to all manner of fires through the state of Nevada, Arizona, and California making determinations as to the origin and cause of the fire or explosion. Work with other fire related agencies within each state and jurisdiction, as well as insurance agencies.

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- **Fire Investigator**, Clark County Fire Department - Fire Investigation Division, Las Vegas, Nevada 2015 – Sept 2019

Duties: Respond to all manner of fires through Clark County, Nevada making determinations as to the origin and cause of the fire. In those fires that are subsequently classified as incendiary, continue the investigation to determine who is responsible for setting the fire. Also, responsible for putting a criminal prosecution package together to submit to the Clark County District Attorney and/or United States Attorney; and then testifying as an expert witness in the criminal case.

- **Firefighter/Paramedic**, Clark County Fire Department, Las Vegas, Nevada 2001-2015

Duties: Respond to all manner of fire and emergency medicine calls. Sole responsibility for fire suppression while responding to and assisting in the extinguishment of fire calls. Ms. Poe also completed a Fire Engineer Academy and was a certified operator/driver for the fire department. Duties in reference to paramedicine include responding to all types of medical calls, assess, treat, and triage patients in accordance with Southern Nevada Health District guidelines. As a paramedic and the highest level of care on medical calls, Ms. Poe was responsible for delegating responsibilities on all calls as well as documenting and completing the patient care report.

Education

- Fire Science Management (ongoing), College of Southern Nevada
- Business Administration, Associate Degree, Erie Community College New York May 1993
- Occupational Studies, Associate Degree, Bryant & Stratton Business Institute June 1986

Professional Designations and Certifications

- Certified Fire Investigator, International Association of Arson Investigators, IAAI-CFI (IAAI) 2020-Present
- Fire Investigator Technician, International Association of Arson Investigators, IAAI-FIT 2017-2020
- Certified Fire and Explosion Investigator, National Association of Fire Investigators, NAFI-CFEI 2013-Present
- P.O.S.T. Nevada Peace Officer (Cat 2) Post ID # 32134 2014-2019
- Youth Firesetter Intervention Specialist 2018-2019
- Fire Investigator II, Nevada State Fire Marshal 2017-2019
- Fire Investigator I, Nevada State Fire Marshal 2015-2017

- Paramedic, Clark County Health District 2003-2015
- Firefighter II Nevada State Fire Marshal 2002-2019
- Firefighter I Nevada State Fire 2001-2019

Professional Licenses

- Arizona private investigator license # 1733615
- California private investigator license # PI11582
- Nevada private investigator license # R-2019-09821

Professional Associations

- International Association of Arson Investigators (IAAI) Member
- Nevada Chapter International Association of Arson Investigators (NV-IAAI) Member
- National Association of Fire Investigators (NAFI) Member
- International Association of Fire Fighters (IAFF) Member
- Western States Auto Theft Investigators Association (WSATI) Southern Chapter Member

Professional Association Honors and Awards

- 2020 Law Enforcement Award, United States Attorney's Office District of Nevada, United States v. Andrew Joseph Sanders, December 2020
- First Responder Honoree of the Month, 95.5 The Bull, September 2019
- Safety Officer Award Recognition (SOAR) for joint arson investigation with Mesquite Police Department, Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department, and Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms (ATF) September 2017

Deposition and Trial Testimony

- Badger Mutual Insurance Company as subrogee for Michael Davis vs Dana Conger, Tina Conger 12/2023, Case A-22-859951-C
- The State of Nevada vs. Melissa Ashley Jones, 11/2019, Case C-19-338993-1
- Clark County Grand Jury Nevada vs. Thomas Bowler 07/2017, Case 17FR0002X (2017-714628, 2017-7148810, 2017-7173807, 2017-7175024, 2017-7209852)

Professional Development

In addition to academic education, Ms. Poe received continuing education training in law enforcement, management, and medical first responder (paramedic), as well as specialized training in fire and explosion origin and cause investigation, fire suppression, hazardous materials and other fire-related fields used in fire investigation.

2023

- IAAI NV (International Association of Arson Investigators Nevada Chapter) - Fire Investigations Training: Cognitive Interviewing, Bricelyn Street Fire case review, Fire Arms and Fire Causes, Project Firewall, Ventilation Effects
- SCFIA(Southern California Fraud Investigators Association Conference) - Speaker
“Arson Investigations that Sizzle”

2022

- IAAI NV (International Association of Arson Investigators Nevada Chapter) - Fire Investigations Training: Timeline Management and Warrant Preparation, Exploitation of Routers for Investigation Leads, Kansas City Double Firefighter Fatality case review, Electrical for Fire Investigators
- SCFIA(Southern California Fraud Investigators Association Conference) - Speaker
“Car-Be-Queing, Vehicle Arsonists, Liar, Liar, Pants on Fire”

2019

- ATF Quarterly Fire Investigator Training
- Timeline Management
- Establishing a UAS Program
- Fire Dynamics
- Damage Dynamics
- Understanding Ventilation as it Relates to Multiple Vents
- Electronic Search Warrants
- Working with the District Attorney and the Judicial Process

2018

- An overview of Discovery Obligations in Criminal Cases
- Fire Protection for Commercial Cooking Operations
- Nevada Electrical Seminar

- Youth Firesetter Intervention Specialist
- Fundamentals of Criminal Intelligence
- Investigating Marijuana Concentrate and Grow Operation Incidents
- Investigator Resources: NICB and VIPER

2017

- Fire Protection Systems
- Estimating the Fire Loss
- Courtroom Testimony Training
- Electrical Safety for Fire Investigators
- NFPA 921 Update
- Forensic Analysis of Fire Debris

2016

- Below 100 (North Las Vegas Police Department)
- Public & Private Fire Investigations, compare
- Fatal Fire Investigations
- Interview and Interrogations Course for Patrol
- Evidence Documentation, Collection and Preservation

2015

- Commission on Peace Officer's Standards and Training
- Fire/Arson Origin & Cause Academy
- HIPPA – What You Can & Can't Do During Your Investigations
- Vehicle Fire Investigations
- Vehicle Fires – Follow Up
- Arson for Prosecutors Course
- Fire Dynamics
- Juvenile Forensic Interview Techniques
- Street Survival Seminar

2014

- Fatality Investigations and Preserving the Scene

- Arc Mapping
- Key Steps to take after the Fire is determined to be Incendiary

2013

- Processing the Fire Scene Utilizing the Scientific Method
- Explosive Mechanisms for the Fire Investigator
- Crime Scene Preservation and Evidence Collection and Principles of Investigation
- Expert testimony, What Could Possibly Go Wrong, When You Take the Stand
- Fire & Hazard Prevention and Codes
- New Fire/Arson Investigator Academy
- Processing the Fire Scene Utilizing the Scientific Methods

Certified Fire Investigator (CFITrainer.net) on-line tested courses: 125 hours

- (8) Investigating Marijuana Concentrate and Grow Operation Incidents
- (16) Nevada Electrical Fire Seminar
- (2) How First Responders Impact the Fire Investigation
- (3) DNA
- (3) Ethics and the Fire Investigator
- (3) Fire Investigator Scene Safety
- (3) The Scientific Method for Fire and Explosion Investigation
- (4) Understanding Fire Through the Candle Experiments
- (4) Arc Mapping Basics
- (4) Critical Thinking Solves Cases
- (4) Documenting the Event
- (3) Electrical Safety
- (3) Writing the Initial Origin and Cause Report
- (4) A Ventilation-Focused Approach to the impact of Building Structures and Systems on Fire Development
- (3) Effective Investigation and Testimony
- (4) Evidence Examination: What Happens at the Lab
- (4) Explosion Dynamics

- (4) Introduction to Evidence
- (3) Fundamentals of Residential Building Construction
- (4) Introduction to Fire Dynamics and Modeling
- (4) Physical Evidence at the Fire Scene
- (3) Fire Protection Systems
- (4) Investigating Fatal Fires
- (4) Investigating Motor Vehicle Fires
- (4) Vacant and Abandoned Building: Hazards and Solutions
- (3) Writing the Initial Origin and Cause Report
- (2) The Practical Application of the Relationship Between NFPA 1033/912
- (3) Fundamentals of Residential Building Construction
- (4) Investigating Fatal Fires

TECHNICAL TRAINING

- Emergency Medical Technician Basic EMS# 56020 Issued 05-21-2001
- Emergency Medical Technician Intermediate EMS # 56020 Issued 05-21-2003
- Emergency Medical Technician Paramedic EMS # 56020 Issued 01-31-2005
- FEMA IS-00100 ICS Introduction to the Incident Command System Issued 08-31- 2008
- FEMA IS-00200 ICS Single Resources and Initial Action Incidents Issued 08-31-2008
- FEMA IS-00700 National Incident Management System (NIMS) an Introduction
Issued 08-31- 2008
- FEMA IS-00800 National Response Plan (NRP), an Introduction Issued 08-31-2008
- First Responder Operations National Institute of Occupational Health and Safety
05-22-2003 (16 Hrs)
- Hazardous Materials Technician (Operational) Issued 04-30-2001
- Swift Water First Responder Issued 05-11-2001
- Driver / Operator Advanced Driver Training Certificate Issued 11-5-2005
- Public Agency Training Council, New Fire and Arson Investigator Academy
12/13/2013 (35 Hrs)
- State of Nevada Peace Officers Standards and Training (P.O.S.T) Issued 05-16-2014

- FEMA National Fire Academy Fire Arson Origin & Cause Investigations

July 31, 2015 (80 Hrs)