



Alaska Scientific Crime Detection Laboratory Statement of Qualifications

Name	Melanie Wright	Date	7/25/2019
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Job Title	Forensic Scientist II
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Indicate all disciplines in which you currently perform testing or calibration work according to the Scope of Accreditation:

<input type="checkbox"/>	Drug Chemistry	<input type="checkbox"/>	Toxicology - Testing
<input type="checkbox"/>	Biology	<input type="checkbox"/>	Firearms/Toolmarks
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Latent Prints	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Crime Scene
<input type="checkbox"/>	Breath Alcohol (non-accredited discipline)		

For each discipline checked in the table above, list all categories in which you perform work:

Latent Print Processing, Crime Scene Processing.
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Education: List all higher academic institutions attended (list high school only if no college degree has been attained).

Institution	Dates Attended	Major	Degree Completed
University of Alaska Anchorage	2006-2015	Biological Sciences	Bachelor of Arts, Minor in Justice
University of Alaska Anchorage	2006-2011	General	Associate of Arts

Continuing Education: List formal coursework, conferences, workshops, in-service and other training received applicable to past and current forensic related positions.

Course Title	Source of Training	Date(s) of Training
Forensic ISO/IEC 17025:2017 Internal Auditor Training (26 hours)	Emma K. Dutton, Ph.D. – Instructional Designer Alaska Scientific Crime Detection Laboratory	June 17-20, 2019
Completed Alaska Scientific Crime Detection Laboratory Crime Scene Processing Training (8 months)	Alaska Scientific Crime Detection Laboratory	July 13, 2018
Methods of Instruction (40 hours)	Suzie Pyle, APSC Instructor Anchorage Airport Police & Fire Station	November 6-10, 2017
Completed Alaska Scientific Crime Detection Laboratory Latent Print Processing Training (2 months)	Alaska Scientific Crime Detection Laboratory	September 28, 2017
Science In The Courtroom: A Legal, Practical & Evidence-Based Guide for the Forensic Specialist (14 hours)	Val Van Brocklin Alaska Scientific Crime Detection Laboratory	August 21-22, 2017
Crime Scene Photography (8 hours)	Alaska Scientific Crime Detection Laboratory	July 12, 2017
28 CFR Part 23 (1 hour)	Bureau of Justice Assistance (Online)	June 28, 2017
Using Reflected Ultraviolet Imaging (RUVIS) to Find More Latent Evidence (1 hour)	Sirchie (Online)	June 20, 2017
Forensic DNA Testing: Techniques for Optimizing Evidence Collection and Using a Local DNA Database to Reduce Crime (1 hour)	NMS Labs/SmallPond (Online)	April 11, 2017
Academy for Supervisors (40 hours)	State of Alaska	June 2013

Testimony: Complete the information below for testimony provided.

Discipline or Category of Testimony	Period of Time in Which Testimony Occurred	Approximate Number of Times Testified

Professional Affiliations: List professional organizations of which you are or have been a member. Indicate any offices or other positions held and the date(s) of these activities.

Organization	Period of Membership	Offices or Positions Held/Dates
International Association for Identification (IAI)	2017-Present	Member

Employment History: List all scientific or technical positions held, particularly those related to forensic science. **List current position first.** Add additional sections as necessary.

Job Title	Forensic Scientist II	Tenure	8/16/2018 - Present
Employer	Department of Public Safety, Alaska Scientific Crime Detection Laboratory		
Provide a brief description of principal duties:			
Process a variety of physical evidence for latent friction ridge detail using physical, chemical and photographic techniques. Ridge detail is developed, documented and digitally preserved for Forensic Scientist's to utilize for examination. Provide technical support to crime scene investigators and other law enforcement personnel by applying techniques and procedures to the documentation, collection and processing of evidence at crime scenes. Provide training/instruction to Forensic Scientists and Law Enforcement.			

Job Title	Forensic Scientist I	Tenure	7/16/2017-8/15/2018
Employer	Department of Public Safety, Alaska Scientific Crime Detection Laboratory		
Provide a brief description of principal duties:			
Process a variety of physical evidence for latent friction ridge detail using physical, chemical and photographic techniques. Ridge detail is developed, documented and digitally preserved for Forensic Scientist's to utilize for examination. Provide technical support to crime scene investigators and other law enforcement personnel by applying techniques and procedures to the documentation, collection and processing of evidence at crime scenes.			

Job Title	Criminal Justice Technician II	Tenure	5/16/2016-7/15/2017
Employer	Department of Public Safety, Alaska State Troopers		
Provide a brief description of principal duties:			
Conduct forensic examinations of digital evidence in a laboratory environment and operate under best practices for preservation of data, seizure of data, and documentation of results, complying with laboratory procedures and relevant legal limitations. Provide technical and administrative support to law enforcement personnel as needed.			

Job Title	Administrative Assistant II	Tenure	3/2013-5/2016
Employer	Alaska Department of Military and Veterans' Affairs, Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Management		
Provide a brief description of principal duties:			
Division's representative for managing human resources and personnel, payroll, office management, correspondence, and travel. Other key duties include supervision of three employees, calendaring, logistics, procurement, records retention, and coordinator for the State Emergency Response Commission.			

Other Qualifications: List below all personal certifications identifying the issuing organization and the dates; all scientific publications and/or presentations you have authored or co-authored, research in which you are or have been involved, academic or other teaching positions you have held, and any other information which you consider relevant to your qualifications.

Law Enforcement Training Provided:
May 14-17, 2019 – Crime Scene Photography, Footwear, Latent Prints, Physical Evidence Collection and Packaging, and Chemical Enhancement. Alaska Law Enforcement Academy, Sitka AK (32 hours)
November 27-29, 2018 –Crime Scene Processing and Advanced Crime Scene Processing. Various Law Enforcement Personnel, State Crime Detection Laboratory Anchorage AK (24 hours)
May 22-23, 2018 –Crime Scene Processing and Advanced Crime Scene Processing. Various Law Enforcement Personnel, State Crime Detection Laboratory Anchorage AK (16 hours)
May 8-11, 2018 – Crime Scene Photography, Footwear, Latent Prints, Physical Evidence Collection and Packaging, and Chemical Enhancement. Alaska Law Enforcement Academy, Sitka AK (32 hours)
May 7, 2018 – Crime Scene Processing. Sitka Police Department, Sitka AK (8 hours)

April 4-5, 2018 – Crime Scene Processing and Advanced Crime Scene Processing. Kenai Police Department, Kenai AK (16 hours)

April 3, 2018 – Crime Scene Processing. Homer Police Department, Homer AK (4 hours)

January 10, 2018 – Physical Evidence Collection and Packaging, Footwear. VPSO, Palmer Courthouse (4 hours)

November 29, 2017 – Crime Scene Photography, Physical Evidence Collection and Packaging, Latent Prints. Anchorage Airport Police and Fire Department, Anchorage (4 hours)