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A self-motivated and organised professional Forensic Scientist with over thirty years court reporting experience working for the UK's leading forensic services provider. A known and respected forensic expert both national and internationally providing leadership in the marks area of forensic science.

Skills and Achievements

Technical – Forensic Science Casework

- A very experienced forensic scientist in a broad range of examinations areas including footwear marks, tool marks, tyre marks, physical fits, packaging and manufacturing marks. Performed critical findings checks on active casework in these areas to provide quality assurance that observations and conclusions are scientifically accurate and robust.
- Recognised as highly skilled in the assessment, strategy setting, comparison and detailed interpretation of complex cases with extensive experience across a broad range of casework examination types. Includes successfully completing complex terrorist and murder cases and other serious high-profile casework. (Worked for the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) and was responsible for reporting all aspects of marks and traces work for terrorist incidents in England and Wales between 1989 and 1995).
- Provided expert advice on all aspects of the forensic process including, recovery, enhancement, strategy setting and comparison to optimise evidential potential. Also provided advice on the use of forensic material and its contribution to police intelligence.
- Presented expert evidence in court, including Central Criminal Court and Court of Appeal. Ensured that evidence was clearly presented in terms that would be understandable to the layman, while maintaining scientific accuracy.
- Designed and delivered training and mentoring to colleagues in various aspects of work including footwear comparison to improve consistency and ensure continuity of expertise.
- Designed and wrote new Quality Management System documentation for Forensic Science Service Ltd in specific work areas including standards and competencies for practitioners.
- Investigated quality failures that have occurred within the marks area and implemented changes to equipment and processes to address the issues raised to ensure maintenance of quality standards.

External

- The Forensic Science Service® representative on European Network of Forensic Science Institutes (ENFSI) Expert Working Group Marks. Elected Chair in 2005
- Technical Assessor for United Kingdom Accreditation Service (UKAS) since 2012. Assessment against ISO1702 and Forensic Science Regulators Code of Conduct and Practice.
- Lead Assessor for Marks for Council for the Registration of Forensic Practitioners (CRFP) for seven years.

CAREER SUMMARY

The Forensic Science Service® /Metropolitan Police Forensic Science Laboratory

Independent Forensic Consultant. Director of Principal Forensic Services Ltd and owner of Baldwin Forensic Consultancy Ltd. Undertaken work for UKAS and other European Accreditation Services. Assessment of experts in European Laboratories. Review of casework delivered in UK and overseas. Delivered training courses for Case-assessment and Interpretation.	2012 – present day
Principal Scientist (Specialist Advisor, Professional Lead, National Scientific Lead for quality in Marks disciplines plus Imaging), including continued active participation in casework.	2001 to 2012
Senior Forensic Scientist – senior caseworker responsible for reporting all Terrorist Incidents and other high-profile cases. Awarded Metropolitan Police Service Commissioners Commendation for work undertaken on a multiple murder/attempted murder case. In addition, line management responsibilities. Selected to be Specialist Adviser Volume crime working with a customer focus on delivery of work.	1989 - 2001
Assistant Forensic Scientist / Forensic Scientist – Responsible for reporting own casework from 1980. Additional areas of responsibility and roles during this period.	1974 - 1989

QUALIFICATIONS

B.Sc. (Honours) in Chemistry Polytechnic of North London 1977

TRAINING

Project Management Internal Course
Fundamental Consultancy Skills – Civil, Service Collage
Introduction to Systems Auditing – Civil Service Collage
Audit Training – Internal Course
Lean Sigma Improvement (course run by PRISM Consultancy)
UKAS Technical Assessor

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Security Clearance Level SC.