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Professional Summary:

Mr. Toft has 20 years of experience in the fire service and a total of 17 years as a public and private fire investigator. During his time in the fire service he obtained the rank of Fire Captain, Tactical Paramedic team leader and Terrorism Liaison Officer. He has extensive experience and knowledge in evaluating fire origin and cause, fire behavior, scene analysis, report writing, scene documentation, interviewing, working with hostile events and multiagency coordination with private, local, state and federal entities. He has conducted over 200 fire investigations. Mr. Toft served this country for four years as a United States Marine.

Areas of Expertise:

- Fire Origin and Cause
- Origin and Cause for Vehicle Fires
- Scene Analysis
- Witness Interviews

Licenses and Certifications:

Certified Fire Investigator, International Association of Arson Investigators, 21-052653

Fire Investigation Technician, International Association of Arson Investigators

Certified Fire and Explosion Investigator, National Association of Fire Investigators, 24033-13723

Certified Fire Investigator Level C, Canadian Association of Fire Investigators

Washington State Private Investigator, License number - 5052

Montana State Private Investigator, License number – 35035

Oregon State Private Investigator, License number - 100794

Fire Officer, California State Fire Marshal, 150-7176

Project Experience:**Multi Commercial Structure Fire, Gardiner, MT
Commercial and Residential Structure Fire**

Worked in conjunction with local and state agencies to determine the cause and origin of the fire that destroyed four commercial structures.

**Fatal Residential Structure Fire, Pollock Pines, CA
Multi-agency Fire Investigation**

Worked in conjunction with local and state agencies to determine the cause and origin of a fire that caused a fatality.

**Affordable Self Storage, Placerville, CA
Commercial and Residential Structure Fire**

Coordinated a multi-agency investigation into the cause of a fire involving multiple units of a storage facility and a connected residence.

Professional Experience:

EFI Global, Fire Investigator, 2020-Present
El Dorado County Fire Protection District, Fire Captain/Paramedic, Fire Investigator 2017-2020
El Dorado County Fire Protection District, Fire Fighter/Paramedic, Fire Investigator 2005-2016
Calistoga Fire Department, Fire Engineer, Fire Investigator 2004-2006
Calistoga Fire Department, Fire Fighter, 2000-2003

Specialized Education:

The Potential Value of Electronic Evidence in Fire Investigations, CFITrainer.net, 2021
Expert Witness Courtroom Testimony Course, International Association of Arson Investigators, 2020
Fire Investigator Health and Safety in the Post Fire Environment, EFI Global, 2020
Principles of Fire Investigation Multi-Program, CFI Trainer 2020
Class III Competent Person Asbestos Operations and Maintenance Course, PBS Environmental, 2020
Fundamentals of Residential Building Construction, CFITrainer.net, 2020
Residential Natural Gas Systems, CFITrainer.net, 2020
Insurance and the Fire Investigator, CFITrainer.net, 2020
Residential Electrical Systems, CFITrainer.net, 2020
Understanding Undetermined, CFITrainer.net, 2020
Public Fire Investigator – Friend or Foe? National Association of Subrogation Professionals, 2020
S-110 Basic Wildland Fire Orientation, National Wildfire Coordinating Group, 2020
Investigating Railroad Caused Wildfires, National Wildfire Coordinating Group, 2020
Wildland Fire Investigations, CFITrainer.net, 2020
Fire Investigation for Company Officers, CFITrainer.net, 2020
Marine Fires, Canadian Association of Fire Investigators, 2019
Fire Spread. Beyond Origin and Cause, National Association of Subrogation Professionals, 2019
Fire Behavior in a Single-Family Dwelling, National Fire Academy, 2019
Introduction to Fire Dynamics and Modeling, CFITrainer.net, 2019
Fire Flow Analysis, CFITrainer.net, 2019
Ethics and the Fire Investigator, CFITrainer.net, 2019
Introduction to Evidence, CFITrainer.net, 2019
Post Flashover Fires, CFITrainer.net, 2019
Practical Application of the Relationship Between NFPA 1033 and NFPA 921, CFITrainer.net, 2019
Scientific Method of Fire and Explosion Investigation, CFITrainer.net, 2019
Fundamentals of Interviewing, CFITrainer.net, 2019

Investigating Fatal Fires, CFITrainer.net, 2019
Documenting the Scene, CFITrainer.net, 2019
Investigating Motor Vehicle Fires, CFITrainer.net, 2019
Basic Electricity, CFITrainer.net, 2019
Explosion Dynamics, CFITrainer.net, 2019
NFPA 1033 and Your Career, CFITrainer.net, 2019
Motive, Means, and Opportunity: Determining Responsibility in an Arson Case, CFITrainer.net, 2018
Firing Operations, California State Fire Marshal, 2017
Stop the Bleed Instructor, American College of Surgeons, 2017
Company Officer, California State Fire Marshall, 2014
Fire Prevention, California State Fire Marshal, 2014
Training Instructor 1B Psychomotor Lesson Delivery, California State Fire Marshal, 2014
Command 1B Incident Management for Company Officers, California State Fire Marshal, 2011
Training Instructor 1A Cognitive Lesson Delivery, California State Fire Marshal, 2011
Terrorism Liaison Officer Course, Central California Intelligence Center, 2011
Tactical Medicine Module A and B, International School of Tactical Medicine, 2011
S-290 Intermediate Wildland Fire Behavior, National Wildfire Coordinating Group, 2005
Fire Investigation 1, California State Fire Marshal, 2003

Education:

Fire Technology Career Certificate, Santa Rose Junior College, Santa Rose, California, 2002
Paramedic Program Certificate of Completion, Mendocino College, Ukiah, California, 2005

Affiliations:

International Association of Arson Investigators (IAAI)
Canadian Association of Fire Investigators (CAFI)
National Association of Fire Investigators (NAFI)

Honors and Awards:

Certificate of Commendation, El Dorado County Sheriff's Office, 2016
Certificate of Recognition, Santa Rose Junior College, 2002