

Kelton K. Hays | Fire Investigator, IAAI-FIT, NAFI-CFEI, MO-CFI

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Professional Summary:

Mr. Hays has accumulated over 300 hours of fire investigation related training over the course of three (3) years. Additionally, he has over 11 years of service as a full-time firefighter, including over 4,000 hours of training. Mr. Hays' expertise in the fire service is beneficial to detecting the fire origin and cause. Due to his experience in the fire service, Mr. Hays specializes in fire behavior, flow patterns and building construction.

Mr. Hays is a Certified Fire Investigator through the International Association of Arson Investigators, the National Association of Fire Investigators, and the Missouri Division of Fire Safety. Additionally, he is licensed as a Private Fire Investigator in the State of Missouri.

Licenses and Certifications:

Fire Investigation Technician, International Association of Arson Investigators (2022)

Certified Fire and Explosion Investigator, National Association of Fire Investigators, Certificate Number 26594-16185 (2023)

Fire Investigator, Missouri Division of Fire Safety, Certificate Number 20-0845 (2020)

Licensed Private Fire Investigator, State of Missouri, License Number 2023038232 (2023)

Hazardous Materials Awareness Level, Missouri Division of Fire Safety (2016)

Hazardous Materials Operations Level, Missouri Division of Fire Safety (2016)

Prevention of and Response to Suicide Bombing Incidents, Energetic Materials Research and Testing Center (2017)

Incident Response to Terrorist Bombings, Energetic Materials Research and Testing Center (2017)

Ignitable Liquids and Class B Foam, Missouri Division of Fire Safety and Three Rivers College (2019, 2020)

Propane Emergencies, Missouri Division of Fire Safety and Three Rivers College (2022)

Hybrid Vehicle Firefighting, Missouri Division of Fire Safety (2023)

Fire Fighter 1, Missouri Division of Fire Safety, Certificate Number 16-289 (2016)

Fire Fighter 11, Missouri Division of Fire Safety, Certificate Number 16-291 (2016)

Emergency Medical Technician, National Registry Emergency Medical Technician (2019)

Professional Experience:

EFI Global, Camdenton, Missouri, Fire Investigator, 2023-Present
Terry Decker Investigations, Greenview, Missouri, Intern Fire Investigator, 2021-2023
Mid-County Fire Protection District, Camdenton, Missouri, Lieutenant Fire Fighter
2020-Present
Mid-County Fire Protection District, Camdenton, Missouri, Fire Fighter, 2014-2020

Specialized Education:

Hybrid Vehicle Firefighting, Missouri Division of Fire Safety, March 2023, 8 hours
Fire Investigation Training Course (Fire Scene Evidence Collection, Preservation, and Issues; Propane Gas Fire and Explosions), Professional Fire & Fraud Investigators Association, September 2022
Ignitable Liquids and Class B Foam, Missouri Division of Fire Safety and Three Rivers College, September 2022, 8 hours
Ethics and Fire Investigator, Missouri Chapter International Association of Arson Investigators, May 2022, 3 hours
Combining, Fire Science, Circumstantial Evidence & Logic. NFPA 921 Legal Precedents and Daubert, Missouri Chapter International Association of Arson Investigators, May 2022, 4 hours
Recognition of Explosives, Explosive Devices and Response Protocol, Missouri Chapter International Association of Arson Investigators, May 2022, 7 hours
Intro to Marie Fire Investigations, Missouri Chapter International Association of Arson Investigators, May 2022, 4 hours
Propane Emergencies, Missouri Emergency Response Commission, April 2022, 6 hours
Aggressive Interior Firefighting, University of Missouri Fire and Rescue Training Institute, February 2022, 12 hours
MC 306 Gasoline Truck Emergencies, Missouri Response Commission and Three Rivers College, September 2021, 8 hours
Vehicle Fire Fighting, University of Missouri Fire and Rescue Training Institute, November 2019, 8 hours
Ignitable Liquids and Class B Foam, Missouri Emergency Response Commission and Three Rivers College, June 2019, 4 hours
Building Construction, Gettemeier Training/Consulting and Three Rivers College, Prevention of and Response to Suicide Bombing Incidents, Energetic Materials Research and Testing Center, October 2017, 36 hours
Fire Fighter II, Missouri Division of Fire Safety, July 2016
Fire Fighter I, Missouri Division of Fire Safety, August 2016
Hazardous Materials Operations Level, Missouri Division of Fire Safety, June 2016
Hazardous Materials Awareness Level, Missouri Division of Fire Safety, June 2016
Hazardous Materials/ WMD Incident Response Awareness, University of Missouri Fire and Rescue Training Institute, September 2014,

Affiliations:

International Association of Arson Investigators, (IAAI)
Missouri Chapter International Association of Arson Investigators
National Association of Fire Investigators
Professional Fire & Fraud Investigators Association (PFFIA)
Missouri Division of Fire Safety
Fire Rescue 1
Fire Fighting Association of Missouri

Honors and Awards:

Certificate of Commendation for Meritorious Service, Mid-County Fire Protection District, 2015