

Simmeana Westbrook | Fire Investigation, NAFI-Certified Fire/Explosion Investigation

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Professional Summary:

Simmie Westbrook has over 20 years of experience in the fire service and insurance industry where she has conducted in excess of 2000 fire origin and cause investigations. She has experience as a Lead Fire investigator, advanced peace officer, master fire inspector, emergency management technician, and insurance industry claims specialist. Mrs. Westbrook has extensive training in fire origin and cause determination, arson investigations, scene management, evidence management, and fraud investigations. Mrs. Westbrook is a Certified Fire/Explosion/Vehicle Investigator with the National Association of Fire Investigators, and a Master Inspector with Texas Commission on Fire Protection. Her areas of investigative expertise include:

- Residential & commercial fire investigations
- Vehicle fire investigations
- Fraud Investigations
- Scene Management

Mrs. Westbrook worked in Public Safety not only as an Arson Investigator, but also as a Section Chief of Fire Prevention Education and Inspection where she managed and lead multiple teams of Fire Prevention Officers responsible for the inspection, compliance and testing of life safety systems in new and existing construction projects, hazardous material locations, municipal airports, and high-rise healthcare facilities in the City of Dallas.

Licenses and Certifications:

Certified Fire & Explosion Investigator, National Association of Fire Investigators

Advanced Peace Officer, TCOLE

TCCF/IFSAC – Advanced Arson Investigator, Master Inspector, Instructor II

Adjusters License / All-Lines – Texas Department of Insurance

Professional Experience:

EFI Global, Inc., EIT / Fire Investigator, 2024 – present

State Farm Fire and Casualty Company, Claims Specialist, 2023 - 2024

BCFS: Health and Human Services / Emergency Mgt Technician, 2021-2022

Dallas Fire-Rescue Department, Fire Prevention Section Chief 2018-2021

Dallas Fire-Rescue Department, Fire/Arson Investigation Captain 2013 – 2018

Dallas Fire-Rescue Department, Fire Prevention training instructor / Lieutenant, 2000-2013

United States Air Force, SSgt, 1990-1999

Specialized Education:

Law Enforcement and the Elderly, TCOLE, 2023,
Ethics for Law Enforcement, TCOLE 2023
Crisis Intervention, Dallas Police Academy, 2022,
Arrest, Search, and Seizure, Johnson County Sheriff's Office, 2020
Advanced Human Trafficking, Montgomery County Sheriff's office, 2020
Basic Electricity, CFI Trainer, 2020
Critical Evaluation and Testing of Commonly Reported Accidental Causes, CFI Trainer, 2020
Effective Investigation and Testimony, CFI Trainer, 2020
Electrical Safety, CFI Trainer, 2020
Explosion Dynamics, CFI Trainer, 2020
Fire Flow Analysis, CFI Trainer, 2020
How First Responders Impact the Fire Investigation, CFI Trainer 2020
Use of Force, Dallas Police Academy, 2019
De-Escalation Techniques, Dallas Police Academy, 2019
Civilian Interaction Training, Baylor Healthcare System DPS, 2019
Incident Command System, IS100c, IS200b, IS700b, IS703a, IS706, IS800, ICS300, ICS400 Dallas, TX, 2014

Education:

Bachelor of Science, Business Management, University of Phoenix, Sacramento, CA 2002

Affiliations:

International Association of Professional Black Fire Fighters, Member
International Association of Arson Investigators, Member
National Association of Fire Investigators, Member
North Texas Fire Marshalls Association, Member

Courses Instructed/ Guest Lecturer:

Fire Prevention and Code Enforcement