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## EDUCATION

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Bachelor of Arts 1983  
Physical Education  
University of Texas, Austin

Texas Department of Public Safety 1986  
All Services Recruit Academy  
Austin, Texas

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## CERTIFICATIONS

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Licensed as a Private Investigator with the Texas Private Security Bureau, Texas  
Department of Public Safety

Texas Commission on Law Enforcement Officers Standards & Education (TCLEOSE)  
Masters Certificate

Recognized as Expert in Accident Reconstruction by 49<sup>th</sup>, 79<sup>th</sup>, 105<sup>th</sup> and 229<sup>th</sup> District  
Courts of Texas (As a Texas Highway Patrol Sergeant)

Certified to Conduct FMCSR Inspections of Commercial Motor Vehicles, Texas  
Department of Public Safety

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## SPECIALIZED TRAINING/EXPERIENCE IN ACCIDENT INVESTIGATION

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Human Factors and Nighttime Visibility

Heavy Vehicle Event Data Recorder Systems Applications

FARO Focus Laser Scanner and Scene 2019 Software Course

FARO 3D Scanning Introduction Course

Texas Vehicle Safety Inspections Course

Crash Data Retrieval Data Analyst Course

Event Data Recorder Applications Course  
(Crash Data Retrieval Technician Level 1 & 2)

Pedestrian/ Auto Investigation Course

**ARAS 360-** Advanced 3D Computer Diagramming and Animation for Incident Reconstruction

**CRUSH** – Energy Applications in Collision Investigation

**Visual Statement-** Basic and Advanced Diagramming and Animation

Team Leader/Member, Crash Reconstruction Team, Texas Highway Patrol District 3A

Advanced Crash Investigation School Level VI  
(**SOKIA** Total Station-Forensic Scene Mapping/**Mapscenes** - Computer Aided Crash Drawing)

Advanced Accident Reconstruction Level V  
(**Auto Sketch** - Computer Aided Crash Drawing)

Advanced Crash Investigation School Level IV  
(Commercial Motor Vehicle Crash Investigation/Calculation of Braking Efficiency)

Advanced Crash Investigation School Level III  
(Conservation of Linear Momentum)

Advanced Accident Investigation and Reconstruction Level II  
(Speed, Time and Distance Calculations)

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SPECIALIZED TRAINING IN LAW ENFORCEMENT

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- TASER X2 CEW Training

- Texas DMV Motor Carrier Enforcement Training
- Advanced Law Enforcement Rapid Response Training
- Patrol Rifle
- National Incident Management System 100, 200, 700, 701, 702, 703, 800
  - Identity Theft
  - Sex Offender Characteristics Web with Exercises
  - Child Abuse Web with Exercises
  - Sexual Assault Web with Exercises
  - Family Violence Web w/ Exercises
  - National Incident Management System
  - DWI Report Writing
  - Safety for All
  - Sexual Harassment Policy
  - Understanding, Combating and Surviving Terrorism
  - Incident Command System
  - Governor's Management Development Program
  - Team Building and Officer Motivation Skills
  - Mobile Video Taping Instructor's School
  - Firearms Instructors' School
  - Leadership Skills for Survival

- TLE First Line Supervisor's Course
- Highway Interdiction Course
- Kinesic Interview Levels 1&2
- Advanced Criminal Gang Course
- Criminal Gang Investigation Course
- Counter Drug Manager's Course
- Drug Diversion Investigation Course
- Aerial Cannabis Spotter Training
- White Collar Crime Seminar
- Covert Operations School
- Basic Criminal Law Enforcement Sergeant/Investigators Training
- 4<sup>th</sup> Amendment and More Seminar
- Techniques of Standardized Field Sobriety Testing
- Breath Test Operator's Course

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PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

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Aug 2007-Present	Palacios Accident Reconstruction, LLC Owner/ Manager
Aug 2011- Apr 2014	University of Texas at San Antonio Police Department Corporal
Jul 2007 – Apr 2008	Jim Wells County Sheriff's Office Administrator

Jun 1986 – Jul 2007	Texas Department of Public Safety Apr 1997 - Jul 2007 Sergeant, Highway Patrol Svc. Oct 1991 - Mar 1997 Investigator, Narcotics Svc. Jun 1986 - Sep 1991 Trooper, Highway Patrol Svc.
Jun 2003 –Oct 2007	Instructor (Part-time) Navy Armed Sentry Course Del Mar Regional Police Academy Del Mar College
Feb 2000- Oct 2000	Division Transportation Officer (Major) 49 <sup>th</sup> Armored Division Task Force Eagle- Bosnia-Herzegovina
May 1983- May 1986	District Executive Capitol Area Council Boy Scouts of America

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MILITARY EXPERIENCE - TEXAS ARMY NATIONAL GUARD

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Jan 1998- Retired Aug 2003	Division Transportation Officer 49 <sup>th</sup> Armored Division
Jan 1995- Dec 1997	Movement Control Officer 49 <sup>th</sup> Armored Division Support Command
Dec 1991- Dec 1994	Supply and Services Officer 49 <sup>th</sup> Armored Division Support Command
Oct 1988- Nov 1991	Commander Company A, 249 <sup>th</sup> Main Support Battalion
Apr 1986- Sep 1988	Communications Officer 249 <sup>th</sup> Support Battalion
Dec 1984- Mar 1986	Platoon Leader/ Signal Officer HHB Division Artillery 49 <sup>th</sup> Armored Division

May 1982- Apr 1984      Platoon Leader  
Company A  
249<sup>th</sup> Signal Battalion

May 1982                      Commissioned 2<sup>nd</sup> Lieutenant  
University of Texas at Austin-ROTC

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#### AWARDS & HONORS

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Chief's Commendation -2011  
University of Texas at San Antonio Police Department

Meritorious Service Medal - 2000  
49<sup>th</sup> Armored Division Bosnia-Herzegovina  
United States Army

Valley Forge Cross - 1988  
National Guard Association of the United States

K.L. Berry Award-1988  
National Guard Association of Texas

Director's Citation - 1987  
Texas Department of Public Safety

Norman Zator Award – 1986  
Highest Scholastic Average in Academy  
Texas Department of Public Safety

Texas Achievement Award - 1978  
University of Texas at Austin