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Personal Qualifications and Experience**

I have a First Class Bachelor of Science Honours (1996) in Applied Science and Forensic Measurement, I am a Professional Member of the Chartered Society of Forensic Sciences, a Chartered Forensic Practitioner and a Fellow of the Fingerprint Society. In 2017 I was awarded The Dr Ann Priston Award for Excellence in Casework.

I have been employed as a Fingerprint Specialist since 1997, initially with North Yorkshire Police as a Fingerprint Expert and latterly with Keith Borer Consultants in an enhanced role as a Forensic Scientist. As a Fingerprint Expert I specialise in the identification of fingerprints and establishing whether errors have occurred. I am experienced in scrutinising the practices and procedures of fingerprint comparisons including methodology and accuracy of results.

As a Forensic Scientist my expertise includes determining how items and surfaces were touched or handled and commenting on the potential age of fingerprints. I have had articles published in scientific journals with regard to cognitive bias, placement of prints and the age of fingerprints at crime scenes. I also give presentations to solicitors, barristers, Forensic Scientists, Fingerprint Officers and University students on such matters. I have carried out this type of work in several countries overseas including Ireland, Bermuda and Cyprus.

At Keith Borer Consultants I participate in a Continuous Professional Development Scheme within which I have successfully completed independent fingerprint competency tests from different providers. I also undertake regular training and development in the field of Fingerprint Evidence, including attending and speaking at conferences.

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