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EDUCATION:

Master of Science in Forensic Science **Virginia Commonwealth University**
December, 1998 Richmond, VA

Bachelor of Science – Biology **Lock Haven University of Pennsylvania**
Minor in Chemistry Lock Haven, PA
May, 1997

EXPERIENCE:

March 2008 – present

Ryan Forensic DNA Consulting, Consultant

Provide Forensic DNA and Serology consultation services and Expert Witness testimony to law enforcement, prosecutorial and defense agencies.

July 2007 – present

National University, Adjunct Professor

Created course syllabus and all test materials for the courses: “Advanced Forensic Serology and DNA” and “Advanced Criminalistics” for the Master of Forensic Science program at National University.

June, 2006 – Present

National Forensic Science Tech. Center, DNA Auditor/Assessor

Fully trained by the FBI to perform DNA Audits of forensic DNA laboratories following the FBI’s National DNA Quality Assurance Standards.

July 2008 – February 2009

LawOfficer.com, Contributing Author

Wrote a monthly column for lawofficer.com concentrating on DNA-related topics.

September, 2006 – March, 2008

Crime Scene Technologies, Forensic DNA Technical Leader

Performed DNA casework and was responsible for all technical aspects of the lab including technically reviewing other analyst’s work, troubleshooting problems, validating new methods, and writing policies and procedures.

November, 2005 – August, 2006

Charlotte-Mecklenburg Police Dept. Crime Lab, Criminalist II

Forensic DNA case-working analyst.

July, 2005 – November 2005

Hillsborough Community College, Adjunct Instructor

Created and taught a course entitled “Introduction to Criminalistics”.

EXPERIENCE (cont.):

November, 2004 – November 2005

University of Florida, Teaching Assistant

Teaching Assistant for the online Master of Science in Forensic Science program.

May, 2002 – November, 2005

Florida Department of Law Enforcement, Crime Laboratory Analyst

Forensic DNA case-working analyst. Received training as a forensic serologist.

January, 1999- May, 2002

The Bode Technology Group, Inc., Forensic DNA Analyst 2

Forensic DNA case-working analyst. Participated in projects such as: identification of victims of the Alaska Airlines crash, identification of remains from mass graves in Bosnia, and identification of victims of the World Trade Center disaster.

PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS:

American Academy of Forensic Sciences

1997-present

EXPERT WITNESS TESTIMONY:

Court qualified as an expert in Serology and Forensic DNA Analysis in the States of: California, Idaho, Maryland, Rhode Island (Superior and Supreme Court), Texas, Washington, and Florida (in Alachua, Polk, Pinellas, Pasco, Duval, Citrus, Sarasota, Hillsborough, Hernando, Highlands, Collier, Lee, and Charlotte counties and Federal Court in Tampa) for a total of over 40 times as well as 21 expert deposition experiences.

PUBLICATIONS AND AWARDS:

- ◇ Eleni N, Levedakou, Freeman, D.A., Budzynski, M.J., Early, B.E., Damaso, R.C., Pollard, A.M., Townley, A.J., Gombos, J. L., Lewis, J.L., Kist, F.G., Hockensmith, M.E., Terwilliger, M.L., Amriott, E., McElfresh, K.C., Schumm, J.W., **Ulery, S.R.**, Konotop, F., Sessa, T.L., Sailus, J.S., Crouse, C.A., Tomsey, C.S., Ban, J.D., and Nelson, M.S. Characterization and Validation Studies of PowerPlex 2.1, a Nine-Locus Short Tandem Repeat (STR) Multiplex System and Penta D Monoplex, Journal of Forensic Sciences, July 2002.
- ◇ **Ryan, S.R.** and Kelepecz, B.K., "DNA on Guns; How Do You Preserve the Evidence?", Law Officer Magazine, pp 48- 51 Vol. 4 (9) September 2008.
- ◇ Awarded the 2004 Davis Productivity Award from the State of Florida
- ◇ Awarded a commendation from the Sarasota Police Department, March 2005