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## **Professional Profile**

I have over 38 years' experience in the identification of persons by their friction ridge detail gained within the Metropolitan Police, Northamptonshire Police and in the independent sector.

I have worked on numerous complex and sensitive, high-profile investigations including Terrorism, Murder and those involving the Independent Police Complaints Commission. My International experience has included working for the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime in Nigeria and many other Countries as a trainer or mentor, most currently in Jamaica, Somaliland and Djibouti.

I have attended numerous crime scenes and I am regularly called upon to give expert testimony.

## **Forensic Science Career**

I started my career in the Metropolitan Police Fingerprint Bureau in 1979 where I worked on many specialist teams including fraud and anti-terrorist. In 1989, I moved to Northamptonshire Police where I started their first Fingerprint Bureau, this included the recruitment of specialist staff.

Following redundancy in 2008, I started my own Company, Fingerprint Associates Limited and have been working as a Fingerprint Consultant with ArroGen Forensics since 2009.

## **Key Achievements and Contributions**

- During my career with Northamptonshire Police I project managed 3 separate installations of AFIS and Livescan implementations.
- I have undertaken work on three different projects in Nigeria (outside of the UNODC project) involving the analysis of thumbprints on disputed ballot forms, culminating in 7 hours in a witness box giving evidence to a Tribunal in Asaba, Nigeria.
- I was involved in the chemical treatment of items and the subsequent preparation of evidence for an alleged bribery case; this resulted in a Court appearance in Fanling Magistrates Court, Hong Kong to present that evidence.
- In September 2012, I undertook the training of specialists of the South African Police Service in Johannesburg on the 'Development of fingerprints using chemicals'.
- In May 2013, I was contracted to review the training needs of the Jamaica Constabulary Force Fingerprint Department, recommendations from this visit will result in further inputs to the Jamaica Constabulary Force Fingerprint Department.
- In April 2014, I was contracted, as a result of the TNA undertaken in 2013 to run a series of training courses for the Jamaica Constabulary Force Fingerprint Department, consisting of Foundation level refresher training, Intermediate level 'ACE-V' and 'Ridgeology' training, an 'Introduction to Fingerprint Development using Chemicals' and Evidence preparation and presentation training.
- In October 2104, I was contracted to provide training on Fingerprint Chemical Development techniques and also AFIS training for the State Security Bureau of Qatar for one month.

- In July 2015, I was contracted to provide an Initial or Basic Fingerprint Course to the Jamaican Constabulary Force Fingerprint Department for 11 Students, this course was for 4 weeks' duration and included instruction (both theoretical and practical) on the Henry System of Classification.
- Since November 2015, I have been involved in the mentoring and training of the Somaliland Police Fingerprint Bureau and Scenes of Crime Officers attached to the Counter Terrorism Unit. This project is still ongoing into 2017.
- In January 2016, I delivered basic fingerprint training to the Qatar Police Fingerprint Bureau.
- I have also undertaken pieces of work for the International Criminal Court in The Hague and in the United Kingdom have undertaken work for the Criminal Cases Review Commission and have reviewed a number of appeals against fingerprint evidence dating back many years.
- In May / June 2017 I was contracted to scope for and also install an AFIS system for the Republic of Djibouti. This also involved training staff in its use.

### Awards and Commendations

- March 1993 – Chief Constable's Commendation  
*"David Goodwin is commended for outstanding service to operational policing by the highest level of scientific support to officers of the Force"*
- July 1992 – Chief Constable's Commendation  
*"For work of outstanding quality, undertaken across two continents and completed through patience and perseverance in difficult circumstances well in excess of normal working hours and conditions. This work required considerable effort and ingenuity to overcome complex technical issues and was sustained over a six-month period to facilitate the re-introduction of the Automatic Fingerprint Recognition System to the 33 members of the AFR Consortium"*
- February 1996 – Assistant Chief Constable's Commendation  
*"Mr Goodwin is commended for his contribution to the development of the computerised Scientific Support system. He displayed a high level of skill and dedication, largely in his own time, to produce a system which is the envy of many other Police Forces"*

### Training Courses

- 2005 – Crime Scene Management
- 2005 – Forensic Evidence Recovery and Retrieval Techniques
- 2001 – Analysis of Distorted Marks
- 2001 – Advanced Ridgeology
- 1993 – Business French
- 1990 – Bureau Management
- 1989 – Forensic Photography
- 1985 – Crime Scene Examination
- 1984 – Advanced Fingerprint Course
- 1979 – Basic Fingerprint Course