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## RESUME

### SUMMARY

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I am a life long resident of California. I grew up in Porterville and lived there for the first thirty five years of my life. I then moved to Visalia where I resided for the next twenty seven years. I was absent from Tulare County for four years while serving as a Security Policeman in the United States Air Force. I currently live in Santa Maria and have been here since 2009.

### WORK HISTORY

2014 to Now: **Driver**

Employed part time as a driver for the local Cadillac Chevrolet dealer and the local Chrysler Jeep Dodge Ram dealer. I drive cars and trucks for the dealers to deliver vehicles to customers and dealer trades around the state of California.

1976 to Now: **Private Investigator – Self Employed**

Licensed by the State of California. Conduct pre-trial investigations for attorneys in all types of cases. In most criminal cases I investigated for the defense and in civil cases for the plaintiff. I have investigated hundreds of homicides, rapes, robberies, assaults, kidnappings, frauds and thefts. I have also investigated hundreds of traffic accidents and personal injury cases. Some cases involved contractual disputes and I have also conducted several internal affairs investigations for police agencies and fire departments.

1989 to Now: **Range Master / Firearms Instructor (The Gun School)**

Self- employed and certified by the California D.O.J. as a Firearms Safety Instructor, Calif. P.O.S.T. Rangemaster Firearms Instructor; BSIS Firearms Instructor, CCW Instructor for Tulare County, Kings County, San Luis Obispo County, Santa Barbara County, NRA Pistol Instructor.

1990 to 2015 **Business & Community Education – College of the Sequoias**

Adjunct Faculty at College of the Sequoias teaching self-defense, firearms, tear gas and BSIS firearms courses.

2002 to 2009: **Registered Representative – Principal Financial Group**

Agent for Principal Financial Group & Princor. Provided Life, Health & Disability Insurance, Retirement plans, College Savings plans, Mutual Funds and other investments to individuals and small businesses in the United States and twelve other countries around the world.

1998 to 1998: **Administration of Justice Instructor – West Hills Community College**

Adjunct Faculty at West Hills Community College in the Criminal Justice Division.

1996 to 2001: **Trustee – Tulare County Board of Education**

I was a Trustee on the Tulare County Board of Education representing Area #4. As a board member we set policy and controlled a \$110 million dollar budget for the Tulare County Office of Education and we were over site for 47 school districts.

1993 to 1998: **Speaker – Self Defense**

I conducted free seminars for civic groups called “Citizens Security & Self Protection Seminar”. These seminars were designed to inform the public about how victims are selected, how not to be selected and what to do if you are selected as a target of a criminal.

1994 to 1997: **Captain – California State Military Reserve**

Executive Officer, 5<sup>th</sup> Brigade, 505<sup>th</sup> Battalion, Visalia National Guard. The SMR is the reserve force for the California National Guard and we are a training cadre.

1991 to 1995: **Tear Gas Instructor – College of the Sequoias**

Certified by the FBI, California DOJ and P.O.S.T. I taught tear gas class for security officers and civilians as required by California DOJ.

1970 to 1976: **Deputy Sheriff – Tulare County Sheriff Department**

Duties were general law enforcement in the Porterville area which is the high crime area of Tulare County, CA. I was a member of the only riot control team Tulare County ever had, which was eventually converted into the Special Tactical Enforcement Team (STEP), aka: SWAT Team. I was a sniper on that first team. I also served in the Tulare County Jail for 13 months and 19 days.

1969 to 1970: **Police Officer – City of Lindsay**

General law enforcement duties including criminal investigations and traffic accident investigations.

1965 to 1969: **Security Police Officer – United States Air Force**

General law enforcement and security duties on a military installation. Member of the Strategic Air Command Elite Guard for one year. Volunteered for duty in Vietnam and was sent to Clark Air Base in the Philippine Islands for one year where I was assigned to Town Patrol. Discharged in February 1969 at the rank of Sergeant that I held for two years.

**EDUCATION**

1960 to 1964: Porterville High School – Graduated

1971 to 1974: Porterville Junior College – AA Degree in Police Science

1976 to 1976: Berkeley University – Teaching Credential

**SPECIAL EDUCATION**

1965 United States Air Force – Military Police School. San Antonio, Texas.

1969 Law Enforcement Officers Training School – FBI Major Case Investigation Course.

1970 Tulare / Kings County Police Officers Academy – College of the Sequoias

1975 Advanced Officers School – College of the Sequoias.

1988 NRA Security & Law Enforcement Firearms Instructor School – Raton, New Mexico.

1990 California P.O.S.T. Range Master / Firearms Instructor School – Fresno, CA.

1990 GLOCK Pistol Armorer School – Diablo Canyon Training Center, Avila Beach, CA.

1991 ASP Tactical Baton Instructor School – Visalia, CA

1991 FBI Chemical Agent Instructor School, San Bernardino Co. Sheriff Dept.

1994 California State Military Reserve Basic Orientation Course, Camp SLO.

1995 California State Military Reserve Staff Officers Management Course, Camp SLO.

2011 Sabre Pepper Spray Instructor School

2012 Taser Instructor Course

**CREDENTIALS**

1976 California Community College Limited Services Credential – Police Science (Criminology).

1976 California Standard Designated Teaching Credential – Vocational

## **CERTIFICATES**

1970	California Peace Officers Standards & Training - Basic Certificate
1974	California Peace Officers Standards & Training – Intermediate Certificate.
1983	Solo Rated Ultralight Pilot Certificate
1987	N.A.S.D.S. Open Water Scuba Diver Certificate
1988	NRA Security Firearms Instructor Development School Certificate
1989	Level One Defensive Pistol Course Certificate
1990	California P.O.S.T. Range Master / Firearms Instructor Certificate
1991	ASP Tactical Baton Instructor Certificate
1991	FBI Non-Lethal Chemical Agent Instructor Certificate
1994	California State Military Reserve Basic Orientation Course Certificate
1994	California State Military Reserve Staff Officers Management Course Certificate.
1995	Department of Civilian Marksmanship Certificate – Expert
2011	Sabre Pepper Spray Instructor Certificate
2012	Taser Non-Lethal Weapon Instructor Certificate

## **LICENSE**

1976 to Now	California Private Investigator License, BSIS #PI-6436
1988 to Now	California State Firearms Instructor License, BSIS #TIF-624
1997 to Now	California DOJ Firearm Safety Instructor License #103972
1988 to 1991	California State Traffic Violator School Instructor License #TV102989
2001 to 2010	California State Life / Health Insurance License #OD47970
2002 to 2010	Federal Securities License – Series 6 & Series 63

## **EXPERT WITNESS**

1991	Consulted as an Expert Witness regarding a shotgun case for the Tulare County Public Defender's Office (Case #91-1628).
1992	Testified in Tulare County Superior Court as a Small Arms Expert regarding handgun safety.
1995	Testified in Tulare County Superior Court as a Firing Range Safety Expert on behalf of a Federal Parole Agent who was injured on a firing range (Case #94-1908).
1996	Consulted as an Expert Witness regarding a shotgun case for the Tulare County Public Defender's Office (Case #96-2114).

## **COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT**

- 1989 to Now Charter Member – Vietnam Veterans of America (Life Member)
- 1989 to Now Member – DVC Gun Club, Visalia Police Department Range.
- 1994 to Now Member – Visalia Sportsman’s Association
- 1994 to Now Member – Visalia and now Santa Maria Elks Lodge.
- 1986 to Now Life member – NRA
- 1988 to Now Life member – California Rifle & Pistol Association
- 1987 to 1988 District Governor – California Association of Licensed Investigators
- 1991 to 1993 Youth Baseball Coach – Visalia City League
- 1992 to 1997 Youth Basketball Coach – Visalia City League
- 1995 to 1996 Committee Chairman – Mt. View Elementary School PTA
- 1996 to 1997 Announcer – Visalia American Little League
- 1996 to 1997 Board Member – Visalia American Little League
- 1996 to 2001 Trustee – Area #4, Tulare County Board of Education
- 1997 to 2001 Board Member – Lindsay Healthy Start
- 1997 to 2000 District 34 Administrator – Little League Baseball, Inc.
- 1999 to 2009 Member – New Hope Riders, Christian Motorcycle Association
- 1998 Advisory Committee Award – Visalia Committee for Persons with Disabilities. (Challenger League – Little League Baseball).