

Robson Forensic

Engineers, Architects, Scientists & Fire Investigators

JAMES B. ZACHARY Police Criminal Investigator/Expert

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

2001 to **Robson Forensic, Inc.**

present *Associate*

Provide technical investigations, analysis, reports, and testimony toward the resolution of disputes and litigation related to police investigations including drug related activities, arson investigations, police/fire training and procedures, evidence procurement, bomb threats, and criminal investigations.

1999 to **DaimlerChrysler Corporation**

2000 *Fire Security Supervisor*

Manage, direct, coordinate, and train Fire Security Officers and Fire Security Specialist who are assigned to Metro Region Security, Jefferson North Assembly Plant. Conduct investigations involving suspected criminal or civil complaints made by employees or private contractors. Write policies and procedures. Maintain a good working relationship with local police and fire departments which provide technical support to the corporation.

1972 to **Detroit Police Department**

1999 *Inspector*

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Assigned as Commanding Officer of the Violent Crimes Task Force Section of Headquarters Bureau. Responsibilities were to manage 34 plainclothes officers that were comprised of Federal Agents from the F.B.I, A.T.F, I.R.S., D.E.A., Michigan State Police, Wayne County Sheriff and Detroit Police Department. Objectives were to identify and criminally prosecute the most significant and notorious violent offenders in Federal or State Courts.

Lieutenant

1983-1999

Assigned as Commanding Officer of the Narcotic Special Operations Section in the Narcotic Division. Responsibilities include supervising and management of 90 subordinates. The Section is divided into multiple units and several federal task force operations.

Co-Commanding Officer of the Police-Fire Arson Unit, Crimes Against Persons/Property Section. Along with a supervising Captain from the Detroit Fire Department, duties were responding to suspected arson fire scenes, supervising origin and cause investigations, assigning cases to investigators, monitoring the progress of all cases in the unit, and ensuring the proper preparation of cases for criminal prosecution.

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Armed Robbery Unit - Squad Leader of Squad Two, investigating sensitive investigations including bank robberies and other major armed robberies, extortion, kidnapping, and missing persons. Responsible for making case assignments, monitoring progress reports, arrests, court proceedings, and supervision of personnel matters (January, 1983 - December – 1984).

Sergeant 1977-1983
Armed Robbery Unit - Conducted investigations of criminal cases inclusive of above listed crimes (June, 1979 - January, 1983).

Narcotic Section - Assigned as Squad Supervisor, assigned to the Seventh Precinct Narcotic Enforcement Unit (March - June, 1979).

Fifteenth Precinct - Patrol Supervisor and Investigative Operations Section (May, 1977 - June, 1979).

Police Officer 1972-1977
Headquarters Bureau Surveillance Unit (Gang Detail) - Processed cases in both Recorder's Court and Wayne County Juvenile Court (August, 1975 - May, 1977).

First Precinct - Special beats, prisoner security, Detroit General Hospital - Prisoner Registration and Detention, 9th Floor Cell Block, Precinct support Unit (80 Series), Temporary Assignment Canine Dog Training School in Plymouth, Michigan, and the First Precinct Investigative Operations Section.

1964 to **U.S. Army**
1967 *Sergeant E-5* (rank at end of enlistment)
Duties included Squad Leader of 12-men in the Weapons Platoon. Responsible for ensuring that each individual knew every assignment in the squad. Also responsible for each man's conduct and ensuring uniformity and interchangeability of assignments within the squad. Honorable Discharge – July 1, 1967.

The assignment of Forward Observer for the 81 Millimeter Mortar was to direct mortar round fire from the weapons to support the front line forces. Assignment was to see that each round struck the intended target.

Completed Basic Airborne Training three week course at Fort Benning, Georgia on December 10, 1964. Awarded the Novice Parachutist Badge. Permanently assigned to Company C, 1/504 Infantry, 82ND airborne Division, Fort Bragg, NC 28307. Made 34 four successful parachute jumps. Successfully completed Air-Drop Course 8-66 on July 29, 1966. Trained to drop heavy equipment such as trucks, jeeps, and artillery from an airplane with the aid of a heavy duty parachute.

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EDUCATION

Masters Degree in Liberal Studies, Eastern Michigan University, Graduate School of Interdisciplinary Technology, Ypsilanti, Michigan, 1995

Bachelor of Science Degree, Criminal Justice, Wayne State University, Detroit, Michigan, 1976

Pre-Business Administration, Southern University, Shreveport, Louisiana, 1967-1970

Specialized Training:

Foundation of Leadership II on April 21, 2000

Foundation of Leadership I on February 17, 2000

Supervisor Administration Training on November 11, 1999

Supervisor Fire Training on November 9, 1999

Cellular Telecommunications Industry Association, Wireless Fraud Awareness and Prevention Training, 8-hour course, September 1995

U.S. Department of Justice, Drug Enforcement Administration, Drug Unit Commanders Academy, held at the F.B.I. Academy in Quantico, VA, May 2-12, 1995

The International Association of Chiefs of Police, Value-Centered Leadership: Building Integrity in Your Department, 40-hour course, January 1995

Department of the Army, Explosive Ordnance Reconnaissance Course consisting of ordnance identification, reconnaissance, bomb threats, and basic demolition, given at Selfridge Air National Guard Base located in Mt. Clemens, MI, 40-hour course

School of Police Staff and Command, Traffic Institute, University College - Northwestern University, Chicago, IL, September 1991 - January 1992

Leadership Academy Training Program, Lansing Community College, October, 1989

F.B.I. National Academy, Quantico, VA through the University of Virginia, April 1988 - June 1988

Fraud and Financial Investigation Training, Glynco, GA, 80-hour course, August 1986

National Fire Academy, Fire-Arson Investigation Training, Glynco, GA, 80-hour course, January 1986

Michigan State Police Fire-Investigation Training, Tustin, MI, 80-hour course, October 1985

Michigan Arson School, Fire-Arson Investigation Training, Western Michigan University, Kalamazoo, MI, 32-hour course, May 1985

Advanced Arson-For-Profit Training, Federal Law Enforcement Training Center, Glynco, GA, 80-hour course, April 1985

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Interview and Interrogation Seminar, Macomb County Community College, 16-hour course, January 1983

Law Enforcement "Instructor's Training," Oakland Police Academy, Oakland Community College, 80-hour course, April 1975

Evidence Technician Training Course, Criminal Justice Institute, Detroit, MI, 160-hour course, July 1974

AWARDS

Detroit Police Department:

Two Citations for Bravery

Six Commendation Certificates for Outstanding Service

Two Perfect Attendance Awards

Detroit Fire Department Distinguished Service Award, April 14, 1987

U.S. Army Basic Training, Fort Polk, Louisiana, Company K 1st Training Brigade, received the Individual High Physical Training Test Score of 500, awarded a trophy

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