

Timothy A. Spencer

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Curriculum Vitae

Tim Spencer, CrashTeams/Northern Indiana



Fully Accredited Traffic Accident Reconstructionist
by The Accreditation Commission for Traffic Accident Reconstruction
ACTAR #1806

Executive Summary

- Bachelor of Science Degree, Indiana Wesleyan University
- 18 years of law enforcement experience – 15 years in crash investigation and reconstruction
- 15 years of experience as a law enforcement instructor – particularly in the areas of crash investigation and emergency vehicle operations
- Certified and experienced in the use of Nikon Total Stations (Survey grade measuring equipment) and Visual Statement diagramming and animation software
- Experienced crash scene photographer
- Experienced in the use of PowerPoint for presentation of cases
- Certified by the International Association of Chiefs of Police as a Drug Recognition Expert, DRE #12215

Employment Experience

08/2008 to Present	Senior Reconstructionist, CrashTeams/Northern Indiana
11/2005 to Present	Coordinator, St. Joseph County Fatal Alcohol Crash Team Direct operations of the multi-agency county-wide team of officers that investigate crashes involving impaired or reckless drivers and serious injuries or fatality



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- 10/2004 to Present Captain, Traffic Investigations Bureau
Responsible for all traffic investigations conducted by uniformed officers; follow-up investigations of Hit and Run crashes as well as serious injury and fatal crashes. Also, coordinating traffic enforcement assignments and traffic control for special events, and other administrative functions
- 01/1993 to Present Mishawaka Police Department, Lead Reconstructionist for all serious injury and fatal crashes
- 04/2003 to 10/2004 Sergeant, Detective Bureau, Mishawaka Police
Conducted theft, fraud and computer based (internet) crime investigations
- 12/2001 to 04/2003 Division Chief, Services Division, Mishawaka Police
Responsible for all Civilian Employees, administering the department's multi-million dollar budget, all equipment and facilities, oversight of all training
- 03/2000 to 12/2001 Captain, Traffic Investigations Bureau, Mishawaka Police
Responsible for all traffic investigations conducted by uniformed officers; follow-up investigations of Hit and Run crashes as well as serious injury and fatal crashes. Also, coordinating traffic enforcement assignments and traffic control for special events, and other administrative functions
- 03/1995 to 3/2000 Sergeant, Uniform Division, Mishawaka Police
Responsible for supervising patrol activities of Corporals and Patrolmen under my command. Conducted field level investigations and case follow-ups.
- 02/1990 to 03/1995 Patrolman/Corporal, Uniform Division, Mishawaka Police



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Related Specialized Training

- 03/1992 At Scene Crash Investigation
South Bend Regional Academy
- 04/1992 Technical Crash Investigation
South Bend Regional Academy
- 10/1992 Vehicle Dynamics / Crash Investigation
South Bend Regional Academy
- 01/1993 Vehicle Crash Reconstruction
Northwestern University Traffic Institute
- 01/1993 Advanced Vehicle Crash Reconstruction
Northwestern University Traffic Institute
- 02/1993 Breath Test for Intoxication Certification
Indiana Law Enforcement Academy
- 10/1993 Instructor Development / Instructor Certification
Indiana Law Enforcement Academy
- 10/1994 Standardized Field Sobriety Testing Certification
South Bend Regional Academy
- 03/1995 Traffic Enforcement RADAR Operator Certification
South Bend Regional Academy
- 04/1996 Emergency Vehicle Operations Instructor
Indiana Law Enforcement Academy
- 08/1996 Heavy Vehicle Crash Reconstruction
Northwestern University Traffic Institute
- 10/1999 Pedestrian and Hit and Run Reconstruction
Northwestern University Traffic Institute
- 05/2001 Grade Crossing Incident Investigations
Norfolk Southern



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- 06/2001 Vehicle Crush Analysis in Crash Investigations
Indiana Association of Certified Accident Investigators
- 11/2001 LASER Measuring devise for use in Crime/Crash Scene
measuring and Speed Enforcement
Mishawaka Police Department
- 11/2003 Vetronix © Crash Data Retrieval System Certification
Institute of Police Technology and Management
- 01/2005 Drug Evaluation and Classification (DRE Certification #12215)
International Association of Chiefs of Police
- 02/2006 Vista FX2 Three Dimensional Animation Software
Visual Statement
- 10/2006 Attained ACTAR Certification -- Cert#1806
The Accreditation Commission for Traffic Accident Reconstruction
- 03/2007 Pedestrian and Bicycle Collision Reconstruction
Northwestern University Center for Public Safety
- 05/2007 Commercial Vehicle Accident Reconstruction
Institute for Police Technology and Management
- 06/2007 Motorcycle Accident Reconstruction
Northwestern University Center for Public Safety
- 02/2008 Applied Physics in Accident Investigation
Institute for Police Technology and Management



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