Practical Fire/Arson Scene Search and Evidence Recovery
Tactics, Techniques and Procedures used in Processing the Fire/Arson Crime Scene and Collection of Evidence.

• Securing and Protecting The Scene
• Search Warrants
• Processing The Fire Scene
• Evidence Collection Methods
• Documenting The Fire Scene
• An extensive CD of information will be provided to each attendee.

Note:
Important for IAAI Certified Fire Investigators (IAAI-CFI®):
At the end of this course, a test will be given for those who need points/hours

“The Certified Fire and Explosion Investigator (C.F.E.I.) Examination”
(National Association Of Fire Investigators)
Will Be Offered and Applications Accepted At This class.

Applicants MUST join online at www.nafi.org if not already a member
Certifications will be granted to those whose applications are accepted and who pass the examination. Applications for certification will be available at the class. For additional information call the NAFI office at (877) 506-NAFI or visit the Website at www.nafi.org Membership is $55.00 per year. Certification cost is $125.00. You must be a member to be and remain certified, but you may join at the time of certification. Examinations will be offered the first evening.

Please go to www.nafi.org to download CFEI application and have completed prior to class. Bring application to class, do not mail to NAFI

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Training Seminar
Practical Aspects Of Fire/Arson Investigation & Arson Case Management Techniques

Instructor:
Steve Riggs, CFEI, CVFI & CFII Certified (Retired)
State of Oklahoma

Steve Riggs retired after twenty-two years of Law Enforcement, and Fire Service Experience in Oklahoma. Steve has been examining fire scenes for 38 years. Steve has extensive training in Fire Cause Determination, Criminal Investigation, Arson Investigation, Evidence Processing, Interviewing Techniques, and Case Management. He is a certified Police and Fire Instructor, and a Certified Fire Investigator Instructor. Mr. Riggs has successfully been involved in many Fire/Arson Prosecutions in Oklahoma, and was involved in a Federal Prosecution. To date, he has never lost an arson case. Steve has authored and co-authored several fire training manuals and written “A Critical Analysis of NFPA 921 User’s Manual 2nd Edition. Steve lectures nationally to Local, State, Federal Agencies, Insurance, private, and military Investigators, prosecutors, vehicle manufacture representatives and their engineers. Steve continues to examine fires in the private sector.

July 7, 8 & 9, 2015
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An extensive CD with a vast amount of information will be given to each attendee.

**Performance Objectives:**

- **Overview Of Fire Behavior:** Provide knowledge of combustible materials, and the different effects that temperatures, melting points, and conditions will have on the fire behavior. Examine the different stages of fire, and discuss the fire indicators and how that information can lead the investigator to the origin and cause of the fire.

- **Investigation Management:** We will discuss the different roles of everyone that will be involved in the investigation, and their affect on your investigation. Proper scene security, benefits of a systematic and scientific investigation, with the proper documentation for your examination.

- **Fire Scene Diagramming:** The area of instruction will cover the importance of documentation with diagrams and all the useful benefits a diagram will provide. Examples will be provided.

- **Case Management:** Finding the area of origin and determining the cause. Documenting the contents, interviewing witnesses, owners & occupants. Types of potential evidence present at the scene, identifying evidence, photographing the evidence, packaging the evidence. Writing a search warrant affidavit. Present expert opinions.

- **Pyromaniacs, Arsonists:** A study of motives and characteristics of different fire setters.

- **Insurance Companies:** A vast amount of information often overlooked by investigators. Insurance Companies which are now more than ever are involved in investigations within their SIU (Special Investigative Units We will discuss what information can be shared and the benefits of working together. We will cover the Arson Reporting Immunity Act.

- **Excerpts Of Federal Laws/Case Laws:** An overview of some of the important laws that pertain to fire investigation, and certain case law that has come down affecting the investigator in respect to his/her job.

- **Courtroom Testimony:** Your case can be won or lost with just one question in a courtroom setting. Learn to be prepared. We will cover some common questions you will encounter, and how to better prepare yourself for court or depositions.

- **Report Writing/Case Management:** A properly written and documented report with all of the facts from the case including a systematic approach and the use of a scientific method are a must in today’s investigations.

This section will cover the proper method to write a report that will withstand the courtroom or deposition setting. The example reports given to the attendee as a template will also follow a Rule 26 report for those cases that go to Federal Court.

**Register Online at www.patc.com — Yellow link upper left corner**

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7800 Gateway Lane Northwest Concord, North Carolina 28027

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$85.00 Single or Double (plus Tax)

**Seminar** Location: Concord Department of Fire Life Safety—Fire Station #9 Concord, North Carolina 28027

When: July 8 & 9, 2015

Registration Time: 8:00 a.m. (July 7, 2015)

**Hotel Reservations:** Comfort Suites @ Concord Mills

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**Registration Fee:** $295.00 Includes Hand-outs, Practical Aspects of Arson/Fire Investigation & Arson Case Management Manual, Coffee Breaks, and Certificate of Completion.

**Note:** All times above are approximate and may deviate slightly depending on case studies, questions, and class input.

**Course Evaluation and Certificate Presentation**

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**Names of Attendees:**

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