

Curriculum Vitae

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Personal Profile A highly qualified former Police Senior Forensic Collision Investigator and expert in Forensic Collision Investigation with 17 years' experience. Excellent communication skills with a proven ability to identify the relevant facts and reconstruct a collision either from scene examination or from analysis of photographs, documentation and witness evidence. Highly motivated and able to produce clear and concise Court compliant reports and present evidence effectively at court. I have a strong work ethic and I believe that in the field of collision investigation there is no margin for error.

Career details

January 2020 to present – Ian Phillips Collision Investigation Consultants Limited.

Working in the private sector allowed me to recognise the value of my expertise. This has driven me to start my own business and I am now on a mission to offer the highest quality and best value Collision Investigation Services to help the insurance and legal industries.

March 2018 to Dec 2019 – UKMETS/HARTEC UK Derby – Consultant Forensic Collision Investigator and Forensic Engineer.

Initially dealing with the investigation of counter fraud cases for a major insurer, conducting desktop and forensic vehicle examinations to identify fraudulent and staged collisions. I quickly developed a client base of insurance companies conducting vehicle examinations for their large loss serious/fatal injury cases using my skills to provide expert reports allowing them to be guided potential claim value. Further to this I was personally contacted to carry out several full Collision Reconstruction reports for specialist law firms dealing with civil liability cases which have been settled out of court in favour of their clients specifically as a result of my input.

Key achievements: -

- Developed a knowledge of the procedures and working practices of the private sector through liaison with insurance companies, solicitors and barristers.
- Developed a standard report format for the company.
- Developed and presented a PowerPoint for Insurers and Legal Companies.
- Learnt the processes of the civil legal system.

From 2013 to 2018 Derbyshire Constabulary – Senior Forensic Collision Investigator

I was responsible for five other collision investigators, selection, induction and initial training. I organised an annual Field-testing event which was open to other local forces. A primary part of my role was to peer check all reconstruction reports to confirm that they were accurate and that all elements of a collision have been considered. In 2015 I was elected by my peers as East Midlands Regional Secretary for the National Panel of Senior Forensic Collision Investigators.

Key achievements: -

- In 2014 I achieved a BSc (Hons) degree in Combined Sciences at Teeside University.
- Became a Member of the Chartered Society of Forensic Scientists.
- Attained Licentiatehip of the City and Guilds.
- While in this role I did not lose a case at court including cases where my work was challenged by specialist defence experts.
- I have successfully trained several Forensic Collision Investigators.
- I have improved the standards of practice in my unit through high quality training and rigorous peer checking of reports (and have checked 150 collision reconstruction reports)

- I influenced national policy as part of the National SFCI steering group

From 2004 to 2013 Forensic Collision Investigator

Attending fatal life threatening and life changing collisions throughout the county with a key objective to analyse the scene gathering all available evidence to reconstruct the collision to produce a report for the Coroner or Judicial Court and ultimately provide answers to families and victims. A critical skill is the ability to remain impartial and view every scene with an open mind.

Key achievements: -

- Attaining City and Guilds Advanced level in Collision Investigation
- City in Guilds qualified vehicle examiner.
- Large good vehicle license C+E
- Streamlined processes and procedures to increase efficiency
- Developed and implement field training event and
- Devised new presentation package for outside agencies

From 2003 to 2004 Operation Jaguar

I was seconded to an enquiry investigating a fatal collision involving a Police officer who was cycling when he was struck by a large goods vehicle. The case involved a driver employment agency, the directors of which were prosecuted and sentenced to prison for manslaughter.

Key achievements: -

- Awarded the Chief Constable's commendation for my role in this investigation

From 1998 – 2004 Roads Policing Officer

I investigated many fatal and serious collisions alongside general Roads Policing duties. VIP motorcycle outrider escorting the Queen and the Prime Minister. In 2012 I took part in the regional escort of the Olympic torch relay and lead the procession through Derbyshire.

From 1988 – 1998 Beat Officer and response car driver with secondment to burglary unit.

From 1984 – 1988

Balfour Beatty Power Transmission, Derby.
Ledger clerk, promoted to accounts clerk.

Education

2012 – 2014 Teeside University – Combined Sciences Degree.
1982 – 1983 Wilmorton College, Derby – TEC Level 1 Engineering
GCSE's Math's English Language Physics Engineering Drawing

Attendance / membership of professional groups

- Member of ITAI
- Member of Chartered Society of Forensic Scientists
- Member of IMI – Certified Automotive Engineer

Chair of School Governance From 2006 to 2016 I was Chair of Governors at my local primary school. I developed many skills including chairing meetings, interviewing chairing interview panels for the recruitment of Headteachers and staff. Whilst in the role the school went from Good to Outstanding. I was also elected as a parent Governor at Queen Elizabeth's Grammar School.

Hobbies and interests I enjoy a variety of hobbies. My main interests involve classic cars and I participate in motorsport nationally in classic trials. I also enjoy walking and mountain biking.

Details of specialist qualifications are available on request

References available upon request