



# Announcement!



## Advanced Footwear Impression Examination Class

Instructors: William J. Bodziak & Lesley Hammer  
Date: **December 3-7, 2018**  
Location: Mesa Police Department Central Station  
120 N. Robson, Mesa, AZ 85201  
Cost: \$850

**The goal of this course is to explore issues that arise once an examiner is actively working footwear impression evidence cases and to further develop their ability to arrive at and communicate their conclusions.**

### Course Description:

This 4½ day course will apprise experienced examiners of new research, techniques, productions, manufacturing updates and other topics that are relevant to maintain their current proficiency in this discipline. The course will include challenging casework issues and explore accurate and reliable conclusions through hands on examination and active discussions. This course will address the composition of a thorough examination method; the complete documentation and recording of that method in accordance with current standards; and will focus on reporting in a manner that transparently, clearly and completely conveys results and opinions of the examiner.

### Pre-requisites and other information:

Because the level of instruction in this course will presume basic knowledge and experience in this field, it is strongly recommended those who apply have had some formalized training and a minimal amount of case experience. This class is not recommended for brand new examiners and is appropriate for law enforcement personnel only.

If you have any questions about this course, please contact one of the instructors:

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Lesley Hammer [hammer.forensics@gmail.com](mailto:hammer.forensics@gmail.com)

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## REGISTRATION (please print clearly)

Please scan and email this form to:  
[wbodziak@earthlink.net](mailto:wbodziak@earthlink.net) or [hammer.forensics@gmail.com](mailto:hammer.forensics@gmail.com)

NAME:

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Check will be mailed OR

Purchase order # \_\_\_\_\_

**An invoice will be sent to you upon receipt of the registration form**

### Hotel Information:

HYATT PLACE PHOENIX/MESA  
[1422 W Bass Pro Dr, Mesa, AZ 85201, USA](http://1422.WBassProDr.Mesa.AZ.85201.USA)  
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Use this link to register: [https://phoenixmesa.place.hyatt.com/en/hotel/home.html?corp\\_id=G-MEPD](https://phoenixmesa.place.hyatt.com/en/hotel/home.html?corp_id=G-MEPD)  
Or Call 480-969-8200 and select option #3 for reservations. Mention the stay dates and ask for the Mesa Police Department Group Rate.

Rooms are blocked from 12/2/18 to 12/7/18 at \$124.00 per night plus tax. Wifi and Breakfast included.

## **Instructors: Lesley Hammer and William Bodziak**

**William J. Bodziak** is a retired Supervisory Special Agent of the FBI who served as a Forensic Examiner in the FBI Laboratory from 1973-1998. During those years he conducted forensic examinations of questioned documents, footwear and tire impression evidence and contributed to numerous major investigations. He has testified on over 500 occasions throughout the United States, US Virgin Islands, Puerto Rico, Guam, Saipan, Canada, South Africa and Israel. He has authored the textbooks *Footwear Impression Evidence: Detection, Recovery and Examination (2000)*; *Tire Tread and Tire Track Evidence (2008)* and *Forensic Footwear Evidence (2016)*. Mr. Bodziak has provided instruction on footwear and tire evidence at the FBI Academy and at law enforcement agencies throughout the U.S. and other countries. He holds an AB degree in Biology from East Carolina University and a Master of Science in Forensic Science degree from the George Washington University in Washington, D.C. He was a member of the Scientific Working Group on Shoe and Tire Tread Evidence, is a distinguished member and past Chair of the IAI Subcommittee on Footwear and Tire Track Examination, a past member of the IAI Footwear Certification committee, and an IAI Certified Footwear Examiner. He was also past Secretary and Chair of the Questioned Document Section of the American Academy of Forensic Sciences (AAFS). He currently serves in private practice in Florida.

**Lesley Hammer** is a Forensic Examiner from Anchorage Alaska, currently in private practice, with experience in forensic casework, laboratory supervision and scientific instruction. She has performed analyses, reported and testified in latent print, footwear and tire track, crime scene and controlled substance disciplines. She holds professional certifications for Forensic Footwear Examination with the IAI and in Criminalistics from the American Board of Criminalists. Ms Hammer has supervised a Forensic Physical Unit in an accredited laboratory, published articles, performed research and provides forensic evidence related instruction to law enforcement, crime laboratory personnel and others throughout the United States and in Canada. She holds a BA in Environmental Science from Alaska Pacific University, an MA in Teaching from the University of Alaska, and an MSc in Forensics from the University of Strathclyde in Glasgow, Scotland. She was a member and past Chair of the Scientific Working Group on Shoe and Tire Tread Evidence (SWGTHREAD), is a past President of the International Association for Identification and a current member of the Organization of Scientific Area Committees Subcommittee for Physics and Pattern Evidence.

### **Local / Host information**

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