



COURSE AGENDA

FORENSIC EVIDENCE COURSE

December 5-8, 2022
Hyatt Palm Springs
285 North Palm Canyon Drive
Palm Springs, CA.

Grand Ballroom – Lobby Level

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WEB AGENDA*

DAY 1: Monday, December 5, 2022

8:00 AM	Check-in and Registration
8:30 AM	Welcome and Orientation
8:45 – 10:45 AM	Defendants Use of Digital Evidence in the Commission or Furtherance of Criminal Activity: Understanding the Nuances of Search and Seizure, Discovery & Authentication (This includes a Stretch Break)
10:45 – 11:00 AM	Break
11:00 – 12:15 PM	Establishing the Foundational Case : Overview of Multiple Types of Trace Evidence
12:15 - 1:45 PM	Lunch (on your own)
1:45 – 2:45PM	Organizing the Case with Multiple Expert Witnesses
2:45 – 3:00 PM	Refreshment Break
3:00 - 4:00 PM	The Usual Suspects – Scientists, and Technical Experts
4: 00 – 4:15 PM	Break



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4:15 – 5:30 PM Digital Evidence -Nuts and Bolts : Overcoming Typical Objections and Cross Examination of the Defense Digital Evidence Witness

Adjourn for the day

DAY 2: Tuesday, December 6, 2022

8:30 – 10:00 AM DNA 101 Understanding the Science and the Numbers: Pre Trial Prep and Juror Presentation

10:00 – 10:15 AM Break

10:15 – 11:30 AM The Smoking Gun : Preparing and Presenting Firearm Evidence and the Ballistics Expert

11:30 AM –1:00 PM Lunch (on your own)

1:00 - 2:00 PM Case Study : Use of Firearm Evidence in an Officer Involved Shooting

2:00 – 2:15 PM Refreshment Break

2:15 - 4: 00 PM The Visual Trial: Persuasive Use of the Evidence in Cases with Multiple Types of Scientific Evidence and Countering Attacks to Use of Litigation Technology

4:00 4:15 PM Break

4:15 - 5:30 PM *Daubert, Frye* and PCAST: Anticipating and Countering Post *Crawford* Challenges to Scientific Evidence

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5:30 PM – 6:30 PM **OPTIONAL: ADVANCED POWERPOINT SESSION**



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DAY 3: Wednesday, December 7, 2022

- 8:30 – 10:00 AM Using Cross Examination to Increase your Persuasion Skills
Surgical Cross Exam of the Expert Witness Using Visuals
- 10:00- 10:15 AM Break
- 10:15 – 11:45 AM Advanced DNA Issues: Touch DNA, Genetic Genealogy, New Statistical Challenges
(Including Q and A)
- 11:45 AM–1:00 PM Lunch (on your own)
- 1:00 - 2:30 PM Anticipating and Overcoming Challenges with Forensic Evidence in Cold Cases
- 2:30 – 2:45 PM Refreshment Break
- 2:45 – 4:15 PM Determining How, What, and Where with Bloodstain Pattern Analysis
- 4:15- 4:30 PM Break
- 4:30 - 5:15 PM Humanizing your Expert Witness
- Adjourn for the day



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DAY 4: Thursday, December 8, 2022

8:30 – 9:45 AM Always Be Closing: The Compelling Closing Argument in “The Battle of The Experts”

9:45 – 10:00 AM Break

10: 00 –11:15 AM Ethical and Professional Responsibility Issues
In Cases with Multiple Types of Forensic Evidence

Course Concludes

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