

PERSONAL

Debbie L. Benningfield
Female 8-22-56

EDUCATION / TRAINING

- **Aldine High School**
- **American Institute of Applied Science**
- **Houston Police Academy**
- **Federal Bureau of Investigation Basic Fingerprint Course**
- **Federal Bureau of Investigation Latent Fingerprint Course**
- **Federal Bureau Of Investigation Administrative Advanced Latent Fingerprint Course**
- **Texas Department of Public Safety Advanced Latent Fingerprint Course**
- **Palm Print Comparison Course**
- **Advanced Ridgeology Comparison Course**
- **Advanced Automated Fingerprint Identification (AFIS) Course**
- **Low Light Photography Course**
- **Various other training seminars in the Science of Fingerprints**

WORK HISTORY

1975 – 1978	Civilian Employee
1978	Houston Police Academy
1978 – 1985	Fingerprint Classifier I
1985 – 1992	Fingerprint Classifier II / AFIS Manager
1993 - 2006	Latent Print Examiner / Deputy Administrator
2006 - current	Private forensic consultant / Instructor

ORGANIZATIONS / AFFILIATIONS / APPOINTMENTS

- **Appointed by Texas Governor Rick Perry as Commissioner over the Texas Forensic Science Commission – (2 year term 2006 – 2007)**
- **Appointed member of Scientific Working Group for Friction Ridge Analysis Study and Technology (SWGFAST) (2004 – 2009)
Reappointed for 2nd term (2009 – 2014)**
- **Texas Division of the International Association for Identification (TDIAI)**
 - **Chair of Board of Directors (2007)**
 - **President (2006)**
 - **TDIAI Board of Directors (2001 – 2004)**
 - **TDIAI Chair of Training & Education (2003 - 2005)**
- **International Association for Identification (IAI)**
 - **IAI Ten-Print Fingerprint Certification Board Chair (2003)**
 - **IAI Latent Print Certification Board Member (2004 - 2010)**
- **Chair of the Printrak International Automated Fingerprint Identification System (AFIS) Users' Group - 1993**

TEACHING ASSIGNMENTS / CASE STUDIES PRESENTED

- **Presented Case studies for the International Association for Identification (IAI) Conferences and the Texas Division of IAI Conferences**
- ***“Killer on the Railcar Serial Killer Rafael Resendez”* – This presentation has been given approximately 20 times around the country**
- **Past Instructor for the Texas Department of Public Safety on Latent Print**
 - **Intermediate Friction Ridge School**
 - **Advanced Friction Ridge School**

- **Senior Trainer for Ron Smith and Associates, Inc. – Instructed over 90 courses in topics ranging from Advanced Tenprint Examinations, Fundamentals of Latent Print Examinations, Complex Latent Print Examinations, Courtroom Testimony and Demeanor and IAI Latent Print Certification Preparation**

- **Instructed for the Taiwan National Police Force – Advanced Latent Print Examinations September 2009**

ARTICLES PUBLISHED

- ***“To Be or Not to Be.....Certified”*, published in the Texas Division of the International Association for Identification.**

- ***“The Wheel”*, published in the Journal of Forensic Identification**

ACCOMPLISHMENTS / AWARDS

- **“Officer of the Year Award” from local Optimist of America Organization**

- **Texas Department of Public Safety Director’s Award (2004)**

- **American Society for Industrial Security Award (2004)**

- **Houston Police Officers Union “Officer of the Month” Award (2003)**

- **The following Houston Police Department Commendations:**
 - (2) Mayoral Commendations**
 - (5) Police Chief Commendations**
 - (14) Supervisor Commendations**
 - (6) Employee Commendations**
 - (22) Citizen Commendations**