

Registration for the Forensic Pieces of Advanced Shooting Reconstruction

COURSE DATES

October 19th – 23rd, 2026

Monday to Friday

Time: 8:00 am – 5:30 pm

COURSE LOCATION

Forensic Pieces, Inc. | Hyatt Place

2468 Skye Way

Pensacola, FL 32504

COURSE HOST

Forensic Pieces, Inc.

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COST: \$705

PLEASE MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: FORENSIC PIECES, INC.
TIN# 900496490. CREDIT CARD PAYMENTS ARE ALSO ACCEPTED.
PLEASE **NOTE**: A 3.5% CARD PROCESSING FEE IS ADDED TO THE
COURSE TOTAL IF A CREDIT CARD IS USED. PLEASE MAIL CHECKS TO
FORENSIC PIECES (CONTACT INFO BELOW).



REGISTER TODAY!!

Call, Email, or Register Online

Phone: (850) 332-0141

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Web: www.forensicpieces.com

**Check out the second page of this
brochure for Instructor Bio, Course
Description and Topics, What to Bring, &
Recommended Lodging.**

In Honor of Our Beloved Founder of Forensic Pieces Inc., Jan Johnson, CSCSA

We commit to you the same techniques, structure, and integrity that our fearless leader Jan Johnson carried with her to every scene, every training, every conference, every time.

It will be our constant goal to strive, meet, and exceed the extremely high standards set by the one who led thousands all over the world to success in the areas of Crime Scene Investigation, Bloodstain Pattern Analysis, Shooting Reconstruction, Crime Scene Reconstruction, and so much more.

Each instructor and training will reflect the legacy Jan wanted for her company and the forensic community. We appreciate all the continued support as we forge ahead our new path forward. As Jan Johnson would always say:

Full Speed Ahead!

WHO SHOULD ATTEND?

This is a hands-on course that is designed to help investigators in shooting reconstruction scenes. This course is taught in a way the crime scene officer can easily understand. Welcoming law enforcement, students, CSI's, forensic experts and more!

WHAT TO BRING?

Casual attire, pen, paper, highlighter, note cards and any note taking device. A camera is recommended for the hands-on wallboard and vehicle exercises; however, a cell phone camera will suffice. If you have a trajectory kit to utilize, bring it if possible.

RECOMMENDED LODGING

Hyatt Place
2468 Skye Wy.,
Pensacola, FL 32504
(850) 483-5589 | [Reserve](#)

MEET YOUR INSTRUCTOR

Dr. Michael Berkland, D.O.

A highly experienced forensic pathologist with over 30 years in the field, holding triple board certifications in Anatomic, Clinical, and Forensic Pathology. Trained in the U.S. Army, he has served as a Chief Medical Examiner in various locations and is uniquely certified as a Senior Crime Scene Analyst. Dr.

Berkland has examined over 3,000 crime scenes and specializes in forensic subspecialties like shooting reconstruction and child fatalities. His instruction reflects the legacy Jan wanted and offers comprehensive learning experience, integrating crime scene analysis with courtroom insights, tailored for professionals in the field.

For his full professional background visit our Instructors Page at www.forensicpieces.com.

COURSE DESCRIPTION

This advanced five day, 40-hour course is designed for crime scene investigators, detectives, crime laboratory analysts and others in the field of forensic science that have the basic training and skills for shooting crime scene examinations. This course will assist law enforcement officers in connecting all of the forensic pieces for the purpose of shooting crime scene reconstruction. A crime scene is a huge puzzle, and piece by piece we compile the physical evidence in each case; the more difficult job is trying to connect those pieces to obtain the big picture, the shooting crime scene reconstruction. This course will also assist in the documentation of physical evidence at the scene which previously might not have been recorded. The attendees will have a brief review of basic techniques and skills that may have been acquired in other courses but will quickly expand their knowledge base and skillset with advanced techniques acquired through lecture and hands-on performance of exercises designed to test the attendees' ability to put all the pieces together. At the conclusion of the course the attendees will have acquired the ability to be able to generate a shooting reconstruction report for the purposes of ultimately providing expert testimony. Mock scenes for this course are specifically designed to assist the attendee in the importance of scene documentation, and to obtain the maximum, accurate information for ultimate shooting crime scene reconstruction. The course will be challenging but will yield the attendee great rewards in advancing their abilities in shooting reconstruction scenes.

These course hours have approved by the International Association of Identification (IAI) to be applied to credit hours used to acquire IAI Crime Scene Certification as well as re-certification.

COURSE TOPICS

Review of the fundamentals of shooting reconstruction, Angle of impact determination, Documentation and testing of potential bullet holes or strikes, Proper trajectory documentation of wall shots, Projectile penetration and perforation, Distance determination on targets and clothing, Ballistics for shooting reconstruction, Wound ballistics and track trajectory, Reconciling bullet holes in clothing with the autopsy findings, Homicides vs. suicides in firearm deaths, Trace evidence consideration on firearms and projectiles, Maximizing your firearms examiner, Report writing, Hands-on case solving, Officer involved shooting investigations, Most topics augmented with actual casework.