

**International Association of Arson Investigators, Inc.  
Expert Witness Courtroom Testimony Class  
Pre-Class Screening Form**

**Individuals who have met all of the requirements for the IAAI-CFI® application except for the testimony requirement will be given priority registration status.**

IAAI Member No.: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
*Membership in the IAAI is not required. This information is requested to assist the staff in processing the application.*

Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_ First Name: \_\_\_\_\_ M.I.: \_\_\_\_\_

Agency/Company: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Home  Work  Apt. No.: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Country: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone/Cell: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

This intense two and half day Expert Witness Courtroom Testimony course illustrates what it is like to testify as an expert witness in a real courtroom setting. The course requires pre-class assignments, for which you have six weeks to prepare and submit. The assignments include taking and passing CFITrainer.net-The Scientific Method for Fire and Explosion Investigation module, updating (or writing) your Curriculum Vitae (CV), preparing an opinion analysis and a court testimony plan, and creating two courtroom exhibits. During the class, you will have a pre-trial conference with an actual attorney preparing for your testimony. The second day you will testify in a courtroom. A position paper (answering 10 questions about your testimony) will be presented on the 3<sup>rd</sup> day.

If you have never been called upon as an Expert Witness, this class will give you the opportunity to better understand the task of preparing for court and then experience testifying in a real courtroom environment with actual attorneys.

**APPLICANT INFORMATION**

**Education (highest level)**

High School  Post-secondary

Preferred class location and dates:

\_\_\_\_\_

**Experience**

Years of fire/police service? \_\_\_\_\_

Years as lead investigator? \_\_\_\_\_

Number of fires worked? \_\_\_\_\_

I am prepared to devote 40 (or more) hours to prepare for this class.

I will submit my preliminary case work on-time.

**Training**

Approximate # hours of fire investigation training? \_\_\_\_\_

**APPLICANT INFORMATION – FOR PRIORITY STATUS CONSIDERATION**

***Work Experience:***

Please provide information regarding your work experience documenting a minimum of three (3) years of general experience in the fire investigation industry.

**Employer:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Supervisor:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone Number:**(        )        - \_\_\_\_\_

**ADDRESS 1:** \_\_\_\_\_

**ADDRESS 2:** \_\_\_\_\_

**CITY:** \_\_\_\_\_ **STATE:** \_\_\_\_\_ **ZIP CODE:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Years of Experience:** \_\_\_\_ From: \_\_\_\_ To: \_\_\_\_

Letter from your employer confirming your documentation of fire investigation experience attached?

***Specific Work Experience:***

Please provide information (City and State, and Date of Investigation Only) regarding a minimum of 7 fire scenes that you were the lead Origin & Cause Investigator in support of your application for the Expert Witness Courtroom Testimony class. **Certification of this information should be included in the certification letter submitted by your employer.** All events submitted as part of this application must have been conducted in the past five (5) years.

**CITY and STATE**

**DATE**

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**I certify** that I have reviewed the CFI Application and I meet all of the requirements of the IAAI-CFI® application except for the expert testimony requirement in order to be considered for Priority Status.

By submitting this application to the IAAI, either via mail or electronic communications, the applicant certifies this information to be true and correct to the best of their knowledge. The intentional submission of false information as part of this application will be cause for immediate rejection of the application and potentially subject the applicant to other penalties, including removal of IAAI member benefits.

**Applicant's signature:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_