

CAFS Virtual Conference 2021 Presenters' Biography

Barry Fisher

Barry A. J. Fisher served as the Crime Laboratory Director for the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department, a position he held from 1987 until his retirement in 2009. He began his career in criminalistics with the Sheriff's crime lab in 1969 and worked in a wide variety of assignments. His current interests concern the interrelationship between forensic science and the law along with public policy issues concerning the timely delivery of quality forensic support services to the criminal justice system. He served as a member of the American Bar Association, Criminal Justice Section's Ad Hoc Committee to Ensure the Integrity of the Criminal Process. Fisher is a member of many professional organizations. He is a Distinguished Fellow and past president of the American Academy of Forensic Sciences and was awarded the Academy's highest award, the Gradwohl Medallion. He served as president of the International Association of Forensic Sciences, president of the American Society of Crime Laboratory Directors and a past chairman of the American Society of Crime Laboratory Directors – Laboratory Accreditation Board.

He is a founding director and served on the Board of Directors of the National Forensic Science Technology Center from 1995 until 2007. Fisher has been a member of several editorial boards: the Journal of Forensic Sciences, the Journal of Forensic Identification, Forensic Science Policy and Management, Forensic Science Research and the McGraw-Hill Encyclopedia of Science and Technology. Fisher is an alumni member of the Council of Scientific Society Presidents and a life member of the International Association of Chiefs of Police and was a member of the IACP's Forensics Committee. His textbook, Techniques of Crime Scene Investigation, in its 8th edition, enjoys wide popularity. He is a co-author of two other books, Forensics Demystified and Introduction to Criminalistics: The Foundation of Forensic Science. Fisher speaks throughout the United States and has lectured in Canada, England, Australia, Singapore, France, Israel, Japan, China, Turkey, Dubai, Portugal, India and Malaysia on forensic science laboratory practices, quality assurance, and related topics.

In 2000, he led a forensic science delegation to lecture to forensic scientists in the People's Republic of China. In 2012, he was invited again to China to lecture on forensic science developments in the United States. In 2017 he was invited to be a guest plenary speaker at a forensic science conference in Dubai. Since retiring, Fisher has consulted for the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime, the United States Department of Justice, International Criminal Investigative Training Program (ICITAP) and Analytic Services Inc., a not-for-profit institute that provides studies and analyses to aid decision-makers in national security, homeland security, and public safety. He also consults on forensic science matters. Fisher grew up in the Bronx in New York City and received his Bachelor of Science degree in Chemistry from the City College of New York. He holds a Master of Science degree in Chemistry from Purdue University and an M.B.A. degree from California State University, Northridge. Barry and his wife Susan reside in Indio near Palm Springs, California. They have two married sons: David is a Professor of

Practice and director of the New Jersey Institute of Technology Forensic Science Program, and Michael, an entrepreneur. He and Susan are the proud grandparents of eight grandchildren!

Ricardo Wilson

Ricardo Wilson is a trained forensic biologist at the Institute of Forensic Science and Legal Medicine in Kingston, Jamaica where he has gained extensive experience in the sub-disciplines of forensic serology and forensic DNA. He possesses a Bachelor of Science in Biochemistry and a Master of Science in Forensic Science from the University of West Indies (Mona). In his ten-year tenure, Ricardo has had the opportunity to lead DNA methods and platform validations while also earning invaluable casework exposure as an analyst. His interest in forensic entomology piqued during his recently concluded master's studies and his fascination has propelled him to contribute to a growing body of work in this field which has gone largely unexplored in Jamaica until recently. Ricardo is a member of the Caribbean Association of Forensic Sciences and resides in Kingston, Jamaica.

Dr. Hind ABOUZAHIR

Dr. Hind ABOUZAHIR graduated from Public Medical University, she finished her Forensic Medicine Residency training at the Medico-legal Institute, and became specialist doctor of Forensic Medicine. She obtained her PhD degree and became Assistant Professor of Forensic Medicine at Casablanca Medical University. During her career and academic achievements, she was trained on the management of dead bodies and the identification of victims of mass disaster at the African School of Humanitarian Action, and at the Berlin Institute of Forensic Medicine and Forensic Sciences. She is a part of MLDI CoP Monthly Call group training programs; she participated as keynote speaker in many congresses and conferences. She has published papers in reputed journals.

Dr. Pooja Chakraborty

Dr. Pooja Chakraborty is a Forensic Odontologist by profession. She completed her bachelors of dental surgery in 2018 with outstanding marks and went on to pursue her masters in Forensic Odontology thereafter. To her credit she has numerous International and national Paper and Poster Presentations and also bagged few awards for the same. She has contributed articles in both national and international journals and has even co-authored a chapter on 'Recent advances in Forensic Odontology'. She is trained in performing dental autopsies and DNA Forensics. She has keen interest for forensic archaeology and forensic facial reconstructions. She is actively involved in the field of forensics and has addressed various talks for the graduates, post graduates as well as security professionals. She has been invited as speaker on various platforms. She is involved with International agencies dealing with DVI Operations.

Dr. Anna Barbaro, PhD (Short Biography)

Dr. Anna Barbaro, PhD ,European PhD in Forensic Genetics (PhD) – University of Santiago de Compostela (Spain) 2° cycle Degree in Biological Sciences (BSc, MSc) - University of Messina (Italy) Academic Diploma at the School of Specialization in “Applied Genetics” - University of Rome La Sapienza (Italy) Master in “Psychological and Behavioral Techniques of the Criminal Investigation” (Msc) University of Rome La Sapienza (Italy) Diploma of “Expert in Criminal Investigation” – Escuela Superior Criminalística (Spain) Diploma of “Superior Expert in Criminal Profiling” – Escuela Superior Criminalística (Spain) Diploma in “Intermediate Crime Scene Investigation”- NIJ (USA) Diploma of the Course in “Criminalistics: Specialized in the Crime Scene” CFEC - Centro de Formación Estudio Criminal (Spain) Chief of the Forensic Genetics Department at Studio Indagini Mediche E Forensi (SIMEF), Italy DNA Expert Consultant at Italian Criminal and Civil Courts Teacher of Forensic Genetics at the Master in Forensic Sciences, University La Sapienza, Rome, Italy Collaborator of INQUIFOR – University of Alcalá de Henares (Spain) Researcher University of Alcalá de Henares (Spain) Founder and President of the Worldwide Association of Women Forensic Experts (WAWFE) www.wawfe.org Past Secretary General of the Mediterranean Academy of Forensic Science (MAFS). www.mafs.biz Honorary Member of the following associations: - International Association of Orthodontic And Forensic Odontology (IAOFO), - Georgian Academy of Forensic Sciences (GAFS), - Peruvian Association of Forensic Dentistry (APOFOR) Member of several international scientific associations. Executive Editor of Annals of Life Science (Alifesci) Executive Editor of the Journal of Forensic, Legal & Investigative Sciences (Herald Scholarly) Senior Editor of Acta Medica International Member of the Editorial Committee of some international scientific journals. Reviewer of scientific articles for several international scientific journals. Teacher in University courses and practical courses about criminalistics Thesis director or tutor in Degree , Post-Degree and PhD Courses Invited speaker at various national and international conferences Organizer of courses and conferences about Forensic Sciences Member of the Scientific Committee of several courses and conferences. Languages: Italian (native), Spanish, English Co-Author of the Manual “Technical evidence in the criminal trial” - Key Editore (Italy), 2016 Author of the “Manual of Forensic Science: An International Survey”, CRC Press (USA), 2017 Author of the “Manual of Criminalistics and Criminology”, Tébar Flores (Spain), 2020 Author of the chapter SNPs technology: approach and applications in the “Manual Forensic Genetics Research Progress”, Novapublisher (USA), 2009 Author of the Chapter 1.2 ,STR Typing and Available Multiplex kits Including Validation methods, And of the Chapter 6.4 DNA Databases, in Forensic DNA Typing: Principles, Applications and Advancements edited by Pankaj Shrivastava, Jose A. Lorente, Springer 2020 ISBN 978-981-15-6655-4 Author of the Chapter Animal Forensic Genetics in Forensic Veterinary Medicine Millennium Editor (Brazil), in press Author of more than 100 presentations /publications about Forensic Genetics.

Dr. Domingo Magliocca

Dr. Domingo Magliocca is a Certified Geographic Profiling Analyst serving in Italy as a police officer assigned at Judicial Police Section of local Public Prosecutor's Office for criminal investigation activities. He has a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Security and Social Control Operator, a Master's Degree in Applied Criminology for Investigation and Security from University of Bologna, and a Master's Degree in Law from the University Telematica Pegaso. Domingo is author of books "Tracce geografiche criminali. Teoria e tecnica del Profilo Geografico" (Primiceri Edition, 2020), "Introduzione al crimine violento. Criminal profiling e classificazioni pratiche (Primiceri Edition, 2020), "Profilo Criminale. Analisi integrata del luogo del delitto" (Primiceri Edition, 2019), "Il delitto di atti persecutori - stalking" (Primiceri Edition, 2017), and of a specialistic papers about stalking, crime scene, law, geographical offender profiling. He was a board member of journal "Intelligence & Storia Top Secret", Peer Reviewer of international scientific journal "Universal Journal of Psychology". Domingo is a collaborator of technical-juridical journal "Sicurezza e Giustizia", as well as speaker in international conferences of criminology.

Dr. Leggie [Leh 'jee] Boone

Dr. Leggie [Leh 'jee] Boone a Forensic Analyst for a sheriff's office in Florida. Been involved in forensic sciences since 1993, including overlapping years as a crime scene investigator and educator in Baltimore, Maryland. Crime Scene Investigation found me shortly after completing my bachelor's degree in Biology, while I worked toward my initial journey: Veterinary Science. As a civilian investigator, I learned my city, my law enforcement family, and self-reliance in coping with the tragedies of criminal violations daily. Sometimes, my method of decompression including writing songs, writing poetry, or dreaming graphically detailed dreams and journaling them. When my daughter was born, I left the hectic schedule of being a Forensic Services Supervisor, pharmacy assistant, and adjunct professor to teach full-time. Teaching high school and college sciences inspired the pursuit of my Master's degree in Forensic Science. In 2008, I moved to Florida where I returned to crime scenes and was recruited to become a Forensic Analyst with my current agency. I have also been active in my community through my Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc. membership and affiliation with multiple civic organizations. I attained my Ph.D. and Master of Philosophy in Public Policy and Administration, in Criminal Justice, with the goal of improving policies and curricula in collegiate forensic sciences and law enforcement agency crime scene investigation training. Through it all, I am still dreaming vividly, with plans to produce volumes for interpretation, enlightenment or entertainment. I am inspired by the constant support of my mother and daughter, both named Leggie, and I am driven by my faith to be an author, a leader, and an agent of social change.

Kevin Lothridge, Executive Director

Kevin Lothridge, NFSTC's principal investigator, Mr. Lothridge is an accomplished forensic scientist with 17 years of operational experience, having held positions as a forensic chemist, chief forensic chemist, and laboratory director for the Pinellas County Sheriff's Department and the Pinellas County Forensic Laboratory. In 2006-07, he led the development of the Deployable Forensic Laboratory project for the Department of Defense. Because of his expertise, Mr. Lothridge has testified in court more than 50 times as an expert in controlled substances and fire debris analysis. He also speaks at numerous professional conferences, and he co-authored the *GC-MS Guide to Ignitable Liquids*.

Mr. Lothridge holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Forensic Science from Eastern Kentucky University and a Master of Science degree in Management from National-Louis University. He has served as president of the American Society of Crime Laboratory Directors (ASCLD) and as acting chief of the Investigative and Forensic division of the National Institute of Justice (NIJ). In his role as CEO of NFSTC, he provides leadership, direction and vision for the organization as it offers guidance, consulting and training to the justice community in both the public and military sectors.

Mrs. Andrea Thomas-Dobson

Mrs. Andrea Thomas-Dobson is a court qualified forensic document examiner having testified on the subject of questioned documents in Civil and Criminal courts. Mrs. Thomas-Dobson is an esteemed member of the Scientific Association of Forensic Examiners. Mrs. Thomas-Dobson trained under the supervision of Retired Deputy Superintendent of Police, Mr. William Smiley, Document Examiner, having served in the Jamaica Constabulary Force as Detective Sergeant of Police/Forensic Document Examiner. She also was Sub-Officer incharge of the Questioned Document Section where she supervised four (4) junior members of staff.

Mrs. Thomas-Dobson is a graduate of Reed Hayes' Questioned Document Course and completed the Foster & Freeman course, "Introduction to Forensic Handwriting Examination" and trained with Foster & Freeman in "The Use and Operation of the Video Spectral Comparator (VSC40) and Electrostatic Detection Apparatus (ESDA)." Mrs. Thomas-Dobson currently in private practise is owner of Document Processing where she offers service as a Forensic Document Examiner, throughout the Caribbean, United Kingdom and United States.

Joy Quinlan

Joy Quinlan née Matty, is a Forensic Scientist who has been employed with the Saint Lucia Forensic Science Laboratory since 2010. She specializes in DNA Analysis and Quality

Management. Mrs. Quinlan, a former Miss World Saint Lucia, possesses a Bachelor of Science degree in Biochemistry and Molecular Biology from the University of Franche-Comté, France and also has experience in database management systems. Her unique blend of skills coupled with a healthy obsession with quality and efficiency, (her colleagues have even gave her the moniker of “Ms. ISO”), has enabled her to take up the role of the laboratory’s Quality Manger and is tasked with the extensive implementation of the ISO 17025 Standard and laboratory’s Quality Management System. She values curiosity and continuous improvement; this has led her to design applications that improved her lab’s quality management system. She has designed and created calculators used to evaluate the weight of evidence in the DNA unit as well as an electronic management system to improve the tracking of casework and evidence samples within the laboratory and the Royal Saint Lucia Police Force evidence unit. Her DNA casework and quality management experience has fueled unrelenting desire to contribute to the judicial landscape of Saint Lucia by finding ways to improve. the laboratory’s processes and to make them more efficient to meet the goal of justice for everyone involved in a manner that is timely, and objective.

Juvaughn Jackson

Juvaughn Jackson currently age 25 is a graduate from the University of West Indies with a bachelor in biochemistry, minor in psychology. He further pursued his masters in forensic science in molecular biology and is currently an intern at the institute of forensic science and legal medicine

Natassia Davis

Natassia Davis is currently a Forensic Investigator at the Independent Commission of Investigations (INDECOM), Jamaica. She has taught various Science related courses at the Secondary and Tertiary level in Jamaica. Her qualifications include Bachelor of Science Degree in Zoology, Botany (minor) from the University of the West Indies, Mona, Post graduate diploma in Science Education and a Master of Science Degree in Forensic Science with

emphasis in Molecular Biology which includes DNA Analysis, Forensic Serology and Crime Scene Management from the University of the West Indies, Mona. She is a member of the Caribbean Association of Forensic Sciences (CAFS). is currently a Forensic Investigator at the Independent Commission of Investigations (INDECOM), Jamaica. She has taught various Science related courses at the Secondary and Tertiary level in Jamaica. Her qualifications include Bachelor of Science Degree in Zoology, Botany (minor) from the University of the West Indies, Mona, Post graduate diploma in Science Education and a Master of Science Degree in Forensic Science with emphasis in Molecular Biology which includes DNA Analysis, Forensic Serology and Crime Scene Management from the University of the West Indies, Mona. She is a member of the Caribbean Association of Forensic Sciences (CAFS).

Dr. Daniel Attinger

Dr. Daniel Attinger is an Associate Professor of Mechanical Engineering at Iowa State University, and the owner of the scientific consulting company Struo LLC, both in Ames, USA. His scholarship is in fluid dynamics, with applications to energy technologies and bloodstain pattern analysis. He has written 100 peer reviewed scientific publications, and given dozens of invited lectures at international conferences. Attinger has led multiple interdisciplinary research projects funded by US Federal Research Agencies. Awards he received include the ETH Zurich medal for outstanding Ph.D. thesis, a research CAREER award by the US National Science Foundation, and a “Professor of the Year” teaching award from the senior students of mechanical engineering at Iowa State University. Attinger is a Fellow of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers and a full member of IABPA, the International Association of Bloodstain Pattern Analysts. He is also an Adjunct Lecturer in the Forensic Science Program of the University of the West Indies, Jamaica, and the co-inventor of four US and international patents. Educated in Switzerland, he appreciates quality work, shared governance and mountaineering. As a long-time US resident, he respects the First Amendment and enjoys the American drive for transformative innovations.

Mohammad A. AlShamsi

Mohammad A. AlShamsi is the Head of Firearms and Toolmarks section of Dubai Police. He graduated from the first INTERPOL Young Global Police Leaders Program in 2019. Mr. AlShamsi is a member of numerous international associations such as the Association of Firearms and Toolmarks Examiners AFTE where he is the point of contact for the Middle-East and West-Asia region and a Certified Firearms and Toolmarks Examiner FA/TM-AFTE. He is part of the International Association for Property and Evidence IAPE where he is the representative for the Middle-East Region and the first Certified Property and Evidence Specialist CPES in the Middle-East and Asia.

AlShamsi is an Adjunct Faculty member at the International Institute for Forensic & Security Studies and Amity university for the Bachelors and Masters student in Forensic Science Ballistics and Advanced Ballistics course; he has lectured and trained more than 2200 attendees in events and training courses since the beginning of 2017 to date. In addition, he is an External Viva examiner in the Firearms and Tool marks field for both undergraduates and graduate students at institutions that teach forensic science in the UAE.

Colette Edwards

Colette Edwards is a graduate of the University of Guyana where she studied Medical Technology. She also achieved a Master of Science in Forensic Science (Toxicology) at the University of the West Indies, Mona Campus. She is currently attached to the Royal Police Force of Antigua & Barbuda; Forensic Evidence Recovery Unit as an Intern in the capacity of Crime Scene Investigator. She assists in lectures and practical sessions at Sir Wright F. George Police Academy for police officers from Junior rank to Senior Police Administration as well as contributing to the department's external lectures on First Responder and Crime Documentation by developing training materials, and conducting presentations at the Antigua and Barbuda Defence Force and American University of Antigua. is a graduate of the University of Guyana where she studied Medical Technology. She also achieved a Master of Science in Forensic Science (Toxicology) at the University of the West Indies, Mona Campus. She is currently attached to the Royal Police Force of Antigua & Barbuda; Forensic Evidence Recovery Unit as an Intern in the capacity of Crime Scene Investigator. She assists in lectures and practical

sessions at Sir Wright F. George Police Academy for police officers from Junior rank to Senior Police Administration as well as contributing to the department's external lectures on First Responder and Crime Documentation by developing training materials and conducting presentations at the Antigua and Barbuda Defence Force and American University of Antigua.

Pete Gagliardi

Pete Gagliardi is a consultant on matters related to Crime Gun Intelligence (CGI). He provides thought leadership and strategic planning support to help governments develop sustainable solutions aimed at bringing justice to the victims of gun violence, resolution to their loved ones, and peace to their neighbors. He has 50+ years of experience extracting useful investigative information from crime guns and related evidence in both the public and private sectors.

Thirty of those years were in law enforcement - most of which was focused on the investigation of firearms and explosives related crimes with the United States Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives (ATF). He has served as ATF's principal liaison to Congress, the Deputy Assistant Director of Science and Technology, the Deputy Assistant Director of Law Enforcement Programs, and the Chief of Strategic Planning. In 1999, Pete retired from ATF as the Special Agent in Charge of the New York Field Division.

Following his retirement, he spent 16 years as the Senior Vice President with Ultra Electronics Forensic Technology Inc. and its predecessor Forensic Technology Inc., the developers of the Integrated Ballistics Identification System (IBIS). One of the primary developers of the ATF National Integrated Ballistics Information Network (NIBIN) Program, Pete's experience with ballistics information-sharing networks spans over 25 years - from "day one" of the creation of the ATF program in 1993 - to similar programs established in over 75 countries today.

Over the years, Pete refined a strategic concept he calls Triple Barrel Strategies. It is built upon three canons: *Cross-jurisdictional TEAMWORK*, *policy driven TACTICS* and *layers of leveraging TECHNOLOGY*. Pete shares his concepts and best practices learned from others through writings, speeches, seminars and workshops, based on his book entitled: *The 13 Critical Tasks: An Inside-Out Approach to Solving More Gun Crime (3rd Edition)* and other relevant

publicly available expert resources. He is a life member of the International Association of Chiefs of Police (IACP) and served for many years on the organization's Firearms Committee.

Gregory J Williams

Gregory J Williams is an Inspector of Police and a Forensic scientist in the Royal Police Force of Antigua and Barbuda (26 yrs.) He is the head of the forensic department. Insp Williams is an Adjunct and forensic lecturer for the master's in forensic science programme at the University of the West Indies, Mona Campus Jamaica and is also the Course Coordinator for Crime Scene Management (CSM), Crime Scene Reconstruction (CSR), Forensic Firearm Investigations. Insp Williams is also a forensic consultant. His undergrad Degree (BSc) and MSc degree in Forensic Science were obtained from the Faculty of Health Sciences, Staffordshire University England. Insp Williams is the holder of a Postgraduate certificate in University Teaching and Learning from the University of the West Indies Mona Campus and is currently pursuing a PhD in Biochemistry. He is a Certified Crime Scene Instructor by the Regional Security System (RSS) based in Barbados. He also served in the Staffordshire Police Constabulary as a Special Constable.

Insp Williams is a member of the International Association for Identification (IAI) and Chattered Society of Forensic Science (CSFS), he is the first Police officer within the Caribbean to hold both a BSc (Hons) and MSc degrees in Forensic science. As a forensic scientist he specialties includes: Blood Spatter Analysis, Crime Scene Investigation, Fingerprint examination, Firearms and Fire Investigation, DNA analysis, Toxicology and Photography. He also fulfils the capacity as an Expert Witness in the Courts of Law. He is the Chief Executive Officer at G. Williams Investigation and Photography Service and now server as the president of the Caribbean Association of Forensic sciences.

Nakita C. B. Francis

Nakita C. B. Francis is a Grenadian National with a strong financial background who perceives education as a limitless endeavor. She recently completed an online course in Forensic Accounting and Fraud Examination. She is currently pursuing a **Master's degree in Bioethics**. Miss Francis holds a Bachelor's Degree in Accounting and Business Management with honors.

She works as an Accountant and Grants and Finance Officer in Grenada. Miss Francis has used her over fifteen years of experience in the field of Accounting and Business to save companies from liquidation, bankruptcy, and fraudulent mismanagement. Her passion for accounting and research is woven in Ethics as a means of strategic and sustainable development of an organization and its environment.

Dr. Mukesh Sharma (M.Sc. Ph.D., DCA, BAFS),

Dr. Mukesh Sharma is holding the post of Assistant Director in Physics Division at Regional Forensic Science Laboratory, Bharatpur (Raj.). He has completed his Ph.D. in 2005, in the field of Material Science, joined as SSO, in Forensic Science through RPSC with rank first. He has been involved and performing duties in the field of forensic science since July 2008. He has published more than 128 research articles in International/National Journals/Conferences/Magazines including CBI Bulletin (India), Evidence Tech. Magazine (USA), Crime Watch Canada Magazine (Canada), Digital Forensic Magazine (USA) and Journals in Forensic Sciences and 07 text books in Engineering. His fields of research are Material Science, Trace evidence analysis, Forensic Physics, Cyber Forensic/Digital Forensic and Crime Scene Management. Recently, he has been elected as **Associate Member of British Academy of Forensic Science**, England (First Indian Forensic Scientist). His expertise in instrumental measurements on XRD, XRF, SEM and GRIM used in Forensic trace evidences analysis. Dr. Sharma is the fellow member and life member of National/International renowned societies as IANCAS (India), ISRP (India), ISOI (India), IXAS (Italy), IACSIT, (Singapore: Fellow Member : 80341901), ISCMNS (England), SASCV (India) , UACEE (Thailand) and SDIWC (Taiwan) etc. Get trainings in various forensic techniques of examination from National Institute of Justice (Online) (USA), NICFS (Delhi), BARC (Bombay) and DO-IT, MHA (Delhi). His work is being appreciated time-to-time by the senior officers. He is reviewer of 10 International Journal, those deal with the Material Science, Computer/Cyber Forensic, Forensic Science like International Journal of Forensic Engg. (IJFE), SPIE, Journal of Forensic Research etc. He is familiar to the Computational Materials Science code for Band structure calculations like CRYSTAL06 (Torino, Italy) and WIEN2K (Vienna, Austria) get training from the developers. He has delivered 21 Invited talks in National and International Conferences in India and also having experience of teaching PG course in Forensic as Guest speaker at NICFS, New Delhi.

Tanya Kerr

Dr. Tanya Kerr has a PhD in Physics (Fire and Material Science). Dr. Kerr has worked for the Ministry of National Security, Institute of Forensic Science and Legal Medicine (IFSLM) and worked as a Forensic Analyst (Chief Forensic Officer). She was the lead fire investigator at IFSLM from 2007 to 2015. She is currently a lecturer/researcher in the department of physics at the University of the West Indies, Mona and leader of the Mona Fire Research Group. Research areas include material characterization of plastics post fire for forensic analysis and analysis of construction materials post fire for forensic and safety assessment.

Rhonelle Buntyn-Williams

Rhonelle Buntyn-Williams is an aspiring Forensic Scientist from the island of St Vincent and the Grenadines. She graduated with a Bachelor's Degree with First Class Honours in Forensic Science from the University of Kent in 2014 and a Master's Degree in Forensic Science from King's College London in 2018. Being from a small island in the Caribbean, she aspires, with the help of God, to elevate her country by developing the Forensic Science field to the standard set by developed countries. She has ensured that she is equipped for the task at hand by remaining adept in Biology, Chemistry, Physics and Maths, studying at the best Forensic universities in the United Kingdom, and connecting to established experts in the Caribbean in her field. In her spare time she reads leisurely, researches on topics of interests, dances in various locations with her fellow dance ministers, and devotes time to her Youth groups.