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Objective:

To provide services relating to the lock and security industry.

I have been involved in the locksmith industry since 1986 and I am the Director of California Institute of Locksmithing, currently the only locksmith school approved by the State of California who has active ongoing training. I have provided lectures and consulting to law enforcement, private investigators, real estate agents, locksmith associations and attorneys. I am active in the field and work jobs on a daily basis including commercial, residential, automotive, electronic access and teaching.

I have an expert working knowledge of all fundamental aspects of the locksmithing field. I have been licensed in the state of California since 1994, but been doing locksmithing since 1986. I was also a locksmith in the State of Nevada.

Relevant Experience and Skills:

~President of Friedman College, the parent company of the California Institute of Locksmithing, which is a California state approved school by the Department of Consumer Affairs Private, Post-Secondary and Vocational Education Division. The school is a training facility for individuals who wish to become licensed locksmiths, professionals needing to expand their skills and custom seminars for various industry needs. I am actively in the field doing locksmith calls, servicing residential, automotive and 50+ commercial buildings.

~I have provided specialized training/consulting for such governmental agencies including FBI, Border Patrol, Secret Service, CA Department of Corrections and the California Contractors License Board.

~Former police officer in Churchill County, Nevada.

~Former Paramedic in Las Vegas and Fallon NV.

~Former Vice-President of the California Locksmith Association and former President of the San Fernando Valley Chapter.

~Licensed by the State of California to instruct locksmithing, private investigations and the California guard card.

~Training in Martial Arts – Tae Kwon Do, Shotukan and a blackbelt in Ketsugo Jujitso.

~Subject matter expert for C-28 Lock & Security for the California Contractor's State License Board. 2008-2015, responsible for re-writing the state required test for Lock & Security.

~Experienced in testifying in court, preparing pre-deposition questions, lock forensics and related professional photography for preserving evidence.

Licenses and Certifications:

Locksmith (Lic. #LCO-2874), Private Investigator (Lic. #PI-23020), Bail Agent (Lic. #181733)
CA State licensed instructor (Lic. #1-2615, JNNGG-49RSYP1999) for Private Investigations, Locksmithing, Identity Theft, Bail Bonds and Security Guard.
The International Assn of Investigative Locksmiths (#00497) former Board of Directors.

Employment History:

2021-Present	Security Locksmith Association, Executive Director. 50+ year organization that has become international since I took it over 12/2021. We provide for the membership training, monthly online meetings, and a website with member benefits.
Duties	Organization, maintenance, and development of all aspects of the association
1999-Present	President of Friedman College dba Friedman Lock & Key, Nick Harris Detectives & Detective Academy and California Institute of Locksmithing
Duties:	Day-to-day operations of the school, instructors, and the retail operation.
2013-2019	Factory rep/consultant for Hudson Lock Company and their subsidiaries ESP, HPC and Rapid Key. One of the largest manufacturers of locks, keys, key machines and locksmith tools. Currently acting as a consultant and training on factory equipment from 2024-present
1986-Present	Locksmith
1989-1993	Administrative Manager for Amwest Surety Insurance Company
Duties:	Court Division Agent Services Representative for Western states handling audits/reviews, Court liaison, agent disputes, etc. Promoted to oversee the court division as the Administrative Manager. Oversaw a staff of 25+

Education:

Foley Belsaw Locksmith Training both basic course and professional course 1988
California Institute of Locksmithing 1999
Factory certifications with Medeco, Alarm Lock, Marks, Multi-lock, Baldwin, Doorking, HPC, etc.
Bachelor of Science degree from Central Washington University, Ellensburg, WA
Concord School of Law, Los Angeles, CA

Summary of Expert Witness Fees*:

\$550 per hour, i.e. depo, specialty requests, in field examinations (free initial consultations).
\$5000 retainer \$1000 nonrefundable.
Full Day in Court \$1800 ½ Day in Court \$1200
\$250 per hour for telephone consults/research

***See retainer agreement for specifics.**