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Latent Print Examiner/Firearms

Come be a member of our laboratory family! The Lake County Crime Laboratory, an ANAB accredited laboratory on the shores of Lake Erie approximately 30 minutes east of Cleveland, Ohio, is seeking an experienced applicant to serve as a Latent Print Examiner. The Examiner is responsible for examining, processing, comparing, and evaluating a wide variety of items for friction ridge evidence. The Examiner will document, evaluate, analyze and preserve evidence and utilize various comparison techniques while maintaining the chain of custody. In addition, he/she will compose and/or complete reports, provide documentation of analysis and provide information to investigators. The Examiner will also testify as an expert witness.

Latent print experience is required and the candidate must be willing to cross train in Firearms and Toolmark analysis and crime scene processing. The Examiner will also be required to respond to crime scenes, as needed, to assist local law enforcement.

Qualified candidates must have completed a documented training program and/or demonstration of competency.

The documented training program and/or demonstration of competency may include a combination of relevant academic coursework, internal or external training courses, competency tests and certifications. Records documenting the successfully completed coursework, training and testing will be requested.

Required qualifications:

- Bachelor degree in a physical science; or Associate degree in a physical science/criminal justice and two years laboratory experience; or high school diploma with a minimum of four years laboratory experience
- Successful completion of a documented forensic latent print training program and/or demonstration of competency in Friction Ridge science
- Experience documenting observations, writing reports, preparing exhibits of evidence for court and precisely explaining and defending scientific results
- Ability to maintain accurate records, analyze and interpret data, manage multiple tasks efficiently, establish work priorities, and develop sound conclusions from comparisons
- Knowledge of laboratory safety and QA/QC procedures
- Background in Firearms/Toolmark Analysis and Crime Scene is desirable
- Certification from the International Association for Identification is desirable

This is a salaried position in the range of \$55,000 to \$85,000 per year, commensurate with experience. Please forward a letter of application, resume and any applicable college transcripts to lsuchanek@lakecountyohio.gov . For questions, please contact LeAnne Suchanek, Laboratory Director, at (440) 350-5934.