

## **Firearms Examiner**

Raleigh/Wake City-County Bureau of Identification (Raleigh, NC)

### **Job Description:**

Performs sophisticated collection, analysis, and evaluation of firearm related evidence utilizing standardized and industry accepted techniques to classify, compare, and identify a variety of ammunition components, firearms, and similarly related evidence. Conducts complete scientific tests of firearm evidence utilizing chemical and microscopic techniques and instrumentation which may include comparison microscopes, forensic photography, and computer networks linked to federal, state and local databases; documents findings; prepares technical written reports of laboratory examinations; communicates directly with law enforcement, attorneys, and various agencies regarding results found; prepares evidence in order to provide expert court testimony as to findings; and maintains records and files, stores evidence, and keeps up to date with scientific advancements in forensic fields by attending conferences, reading technical journals, seminars, and training sessions.

NOTE: A criminal background and credit check will be conducted.

### **Minimum Requirements:**

Bachelor's degree in Criminal Justice, Natural/Forensic Science, or related field. Membership in the Association of Firearm and Tool Mark Examiners (AFTE) within 24 months of eligibility and/or employment. A valid driver license and a "safe" driving record required.

### **Preferred Experience:**

Membership in the Association of Firearm and Tool Mark Examiners (AFTE). Two years of experience in firearms examinations or equivalent. Current employment experience with an ISO accredited crime laboratory.

### **Knowledge, Skills, and Competencies:**

#### KNOWLEDGE OF:

- the operations and safe handling of firearms and ammunition.
- the makes, models, and characteristics of domestic and foreign firearms and ammunition.
- the equipment used to test and identify firearms and ammunition.
- the principles and practices of firearm and ammunition identification and comparison.
- current practices and principles of firearm identification.
- federal, state, and municipal laws governing firearms.
- laboratory techniques used in the performance of microscopic examinations as they pertain to firearms and ammunition.
- ISO quality standards for testing and calibration laboratories

- the rules, procedures and laws of evidence.

**SKILL IN:**

- the care and operation of laboratory equipment, especially microscopes, scales and firearm testing devices.
- identifying firearms and ammunition.
- providing expert testimony in forensic firearm identification.

**ABILITY TO:**

- make precise and accurate microscopic comparative examinations.
- fire a variety of weapons safely.
- disassemble firearms and restore to original condition
- make accurate scientific conclusions.
- prepare and maintain precise records and reports.
- conduct searches in firearm databases.
- use photographic equipment to document evidence.
- establish and maintain effective working relationships with the public and associates.

**Work Schedule:**

Mon.-Fri.; 8:30 am – 5:15 pm; 24/7 phone availability

**Expected Hiring Range:**

\$26.45 - \$35.50/hr; **Non-Exempt** (\$43,430 - \$73,831)

**Position Posting Date:**

Monday, September 9, 2019, - **7:00 pm on Friday, October 4, 2019**

**To Apply:**

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