

Curriculum Vitae
Keith D. Nickols
Forensic Consultant

## **Professional Profile**

Mr. Nickols is a Forensic Consultant with Focus Forensics LLC, bringing over 17 years of experience in the fields of Automotive Systems, Mechanical Systems, Vehicle Dynamics, Accident Reconstruction, Scene Investigations, Vehicle Inspections, Mechanical Engineering, and Forensic Engineering support tasks. His specialized knowledge and expertise in vehicle components and systems is extensive, both from his automotive technician experience and his accident reconstruction forensic engineering background.

While completing his Mechanical Engineering degree studies, Mr. Nickols provides support to the engineering staff at Focus Forensics through a wide variety of tasks including vehicle inspections, roadway documentation, identification and analysis of physical evidence, forensic diagramming and 3D modeling using leading engineering software packages, and the application of proven scientific methodologies and advanced technology for evaluation of the vehicular, roadway, and driver factors in collision scenarios. He has also attended multiple technical schools for automotive repair, and extensive background in automotive diagnosis and repair.

#### **Licensure and Professional Certification**

Certified Bosch Crash Data Retrieval (CDR) Technician

Remote Pilot – Small Unmanned Aircraft System Federal Aviation Administration

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## Education

B.S Program in Mechanical Engineering (in progress) University of Alabama Tuscaloosa, Alabama

A.A. Degree Florida Southwestern State College Fort Myers, Florida

Technical Degree BMW STEP, Automotive Woodcliff Lake, New Jersey

Technical Degree Universal Technical Institute Exton, Pennsylvania



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# **Work Experience**

Focus Forensics, LLC Consultant: 2023-Present

Fischer Forensics Engineering

Accident Reconstruction Technician: 2016-2023

Mintech

Automotive Technician: 2010-2012

Naples Luxury Imports General Technician: 2010

Mini of Fort Myers

Shop Foreman: 2009-2010

BMW of Fort Myers

Automotive Technician: 2006-2009

# **Professional Development**

# **Focus Forensics, LLC**

- Transportation Engineering and Accident Reconstruction Insights, 2024
  - Human Factors for Driver Response
  - Traffic Signal Design and Operation
  - Transportation Engineering Sight Distance Standards
  - Automotive Mechanical Systems and Data Acquisition
  - Photogrammetric Methods
  - Video Analysis with Telemetry Data
  - o LIDAR Scanning and Data Processing
  - Virtual Crash Applications for Simulation and Animation
  - PC Crash Applications for Steering and Yaw Rate
  - Expert Testimony Regulations and Standards
  - Commercial Vehicle EDR Data Extraction and Analysis
  - Vehicle EDR Systems for Toyota and General Motors

# Institute of Police Technology and Management (IPTM)

- Symposium of Traffic Safety, 2017
- Bosch Crash Data Retrieval (CDR) Tool Technician Course, 2018

# Lightpoint Scientific, LLC

- Advanced Photogrammetry for Collision Reconstruction, 2019
- Point Clouds in Collision Reconstruction, 2022

#### **MEA Forensics**

• PC-CRASH Essentials, 2017

# Northwestern University Center for Public Safety

• Traffic Crash Reconstruction 1, 2024

# **PhotoModeler Technologies**

• PhotoModeler for Collision Investigation, 2023