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**FORENSIC EXPERIENCE:**

Established Jan/07 CJ Consulting of America, LLC  
Forensic pathology consulting and private autopsies

12/ 2007 – 9/2010 Assistant Chief Medical Examiner  
Office of the Chief Medical Examiner  
Roanoke, VA

7/2005 – 7/2007 Associate Medical Examiner  
District 5 Medical Examiners Department, Leesburg FL

**EDUCATION:**

2004 – 2005 Hillsborough County Medical Examiners Office  
University of South Florida College of Medicine, Tampa, Florida  
Forensic Pathology Fellowship

2002 - 2004 University of Florida, Gainesville, Florida  
Anatomic Pathology Residency Program

2000 - 2002 University of South Florida College of Medicine, Tampa, Florida  
Anatomic and Clinical Pathology Residency Program

1995 - 2000 University of South Florida College of Medicine, Tampa, Florida  
Doctor of Medicine  
Received Excellence in Forensic Pathology Annual Award

1992 - 1995 University of Florida, Gainesville, Florida  
1984 - 1985 Bachelor of Science, Interdisciplinary Studies  
Major - Biochemistry and Molecular Biology  
Minor - Chemistry  
Graduated with High Honors, Phi Beta Kappa

**ADDITIONAL FORENSIC EXPERIENCE:**

2010 Member of Advisory Board  
American Institute of Forensic Education

2001 Associate Medical Examiner Appointment, Hillsborough County, FL  
Dr. Vernard Adams, Medical Examiner  
(6 months, as part of residency credentialing year)  
All aspects of death investigation, including crime scene, autopsy and court testimony

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1994 - 1995 Forensic Anthropology - Volunteer  
Human Osteology Course  
Dr. William Maples, CA Pound Human Identification Lab, Univ. of Florida

1984 - 1985 Forensic Anthropology - Lab Assistant  
Dr. William Maples, Florida Museum of Natural History, Univ. of Florida  
On-site crime scene investigation and reconstruction of skeletal remains.

**LICENSES:** Medical License, State of Florida  
Medical License, Commonwealth of Virginia

**EMPLOYMENT:**  
1987 - 1993 CH2M Hill – International Environmental Engineering Firm, Project Assistant.  
Worked directly with clients in all aspects of their multi-million dollar projects including contract and technical documents and project budgeting. Coordinated and presented at meetings on local, state and national level.

**RESEARCH:**  
1994 - 1995 Genetics research – Preliminary Linkage Analysis to map the gene responsible for a novel form of X-linked mental retardation.  
Principal Investigator: Thomas Yang, Ph.D.  
Affiliation: Department of Biochemistry, University of Florida

**PUBLICATIONS:** Rosenberg AS, Langee CL, Morgan MB. (2002). Malignant peripheral nerve sheath tumor with perineural differentiation: "malignant perineuroma". *J Cutan Pathol*; 29: 362-367.

**PRESENTATIONS:** *Consulting a Forensic Pathologist.* IDS Capital & Serious Felony Training. Charlotte, NC. December 15, 2011

*Child Death Investigation.* IDS Capital & Serious Felony Training. Durham, NC. March 1, 2012.

*Motor Vehicle Accidents, Medical Records and Autopsy Reports; Driver vs. Passenger.* As part of "Forensics: From Crime Scene to Courtroom". North Carolina Advocates for Justice (NCAJ). Raleigh, NC. April 13, 2012.

*Medical Death Investigation: Time of Death; Time Since Injury.* IDS Capital & Serious Felony Training. Asheville, NC. May 17, 2012

*Forensic Science: DNA and Pathology.* Pathology topics included: *Shaken Baby Syndrome/Child Death Investigation; Time of Death and Interplay of a Crime Scene, DNA and Pathology.* North Carolina Advocates for Justice and the Forsyth County Criminal Defense Trial Lawyers Association. Winston-Salem, NC. September 28, 2012.

Variety of educational presentations in Florida to medical students and residents; Department of Children and Family Services and Elder Services, District 5, FL ; and to Marion County Sheriff's Officer Education Program

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**PRESENTATIONS:**

*Postmortem morphine concentrations – Are they meaningful?* American Academy of Forensic Sciences, 56<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting, Forensic Toxicology Section. Dallas, TX, February 2004.

Principal Investigators: Bruce A. Goldberger<sup>1</sup>, Ph.D. and Julia Martin<sup>2</sup>, MD

Affiliations: <sup>1</sup>University of Florida, Department of Pathology, Immunology and Laboratory Medicine. <sup>2</sup>District 5 Medical Examiners Office, FL

**TEACHING:**

Intern training of residents and medical students in Forensic Pathology  
Office of the Chief Medical Examiner  
Roanoke, VA

**TRIALS:**

Previously qualified as an expert witness in multiple Florida, Virginia and North Carolina courts on a variety of case types.