## **Biography of Sharon L. Plotkin M.S**

## Certified Crime Scene Investigator/ faculty- Miami, Florida.

Sharon L. Plotkin is a native Floridian.

Sharon obtained her Master of Science degree in Criminal Justice with a minor in Psychology from Florida International University. She obtained her Bachelor of Science degree in Social Work, also from Florida International University and an Associate of Arts degree in Psychology from Broward Community College. She is currently seeking a doctoral degree in education. She is a member of several forensic organizations including International Association for Identification, International Association of Bloodstain Pattern Analysts and Goldcoast Forensics. She is a fellow with the American Academy of Forensic Science.

Sharon Plotkin received her certification in crime scene investigations through International Association for Identification in 2006 and has been doing crime scene work for almost 21 years. She has handled thousands of cases ranging from burglaries to homicides and suspicious death cases.

Sharon has received specialized training in various fields of crime scene investigations, including, bloodstain reconstruction, photography, crime scene reconstruction, fingerprinting, shoe wear casting and other various topics. She has traveled throughout the United States and Taiwan attending crime scene conferences taught by experts such as Dr. Henry Lee, Dr. Michael Baden, Dr. Vincent DiMaio, Vernon Geberth, Dr. Bill Bass, Paul Kish, Richard Saferstein and other highly notable crime scene experts.

Sharon taught courses for Dr Henry Lee as has taught crime scene courses throughout Florida, the United States and in the Cayman Islands and China. She has been a lecturer at several mystery writers' conferences all over the country assisting them "to keep it real"

Sharon published a crime scene reconstruction textbook with author Robert Ogle Jr. and her second textbook in Fingerprinting was released in May, 2021.

Sharon is also a member of DMORT (Disaster Mortuary Operational Response Team) and FEMORS (Florida Emergency Mortuary Operations Response System response. She is currently the regional director for Region 5 for the Florida Division of the International Association for Identification.

Sharon has utilized her resources in law enforcement by hosting several important programs and summits with her colleagues in disseminating critical issues that impact students and the community in areas of distracted driving, wrongful convictions courtroom testimony and gun violence.