



EXPERT WITNESS TESTIMONY AND TRIAL EXPERIENCE

WORKSHOP SPONSORED BY IACT

Location: Hyatt Regency, Indianapolis, IN
Date: May 3, 2018
Time: 8 a.m. – 5:30 p.m.

Workshop Chairs: Laura Bailey, Director- Office of Alcohol Testing, ADH- PHL (AR)
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Target Audience: New forensic personnel and those that want to brush up on their courtroom skills. Subjects covered during this workshop will be similar to those explored at the IACT 2015 Expert Testimony Workshop.

Abstract: This workshop will cover expert witness testimony basics and trial experience. We will present existing literature, current research, and practical advice for the expert witness in a DWI case. Many presentations have been given that focus on defenses commonly found in the field of breath and blood alcohol testing. The goal of this workshop is to provide attendees with a practical understanding of how to respond to common lines of questioning. Topics will include: current research, the use of Widmark's equation, interfering substances, dentures and other mouth alcohol defenses, RFI, Blood: Breath ratios, blood and breath collection, and perspectives from actual program practices. Attendees will observe experienced personnel in a mock trial setting and have the opportunity to participate in the trial to further their own experience.

Goal: After this workshop, participants will have greater confidence in their courtroom skills and ability to handle a variety of common defense posed in breath alcohol cases.

Course Specifics: The course fee includes registration, all course materials, attendance certificate, and breaks. Attendees will be responsible for travel, lodging, and meal expenses.