



## Ricky Phillips

CFI, CVFI, CFII

### Fire Consultant

#### Department

Fire & Explosion Investigation

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#### Locations

Nashville, TN

Birmingham, AL

Atlanta, GA

## Biography

Ricky Phillips is a highly experienced Certified Fire and Explosion Investigator with over 26 years of expertise in forensic fire investigation, analysis, and reporting. He has a proven track record of conducting thorough investigations into fire and explosion incidents, utilizing advanced technology and methodologies to determine fire origins and causes accurately.

Ricky excels in collaboration with law enforcement, insurance providers, and legal teams, providing authoritative expert testimony and comprehensive investigative reports. He is well-versed in national fire codes, safety regulations, and best practices, ensuring adherence to the highest industry standards.

Dedicated to ongoing professional development, Ricky remains current with the latest advancements in the field. He is a strong communicator with exceptional problem-solving abilities, adept at managing complex scenes and high-pressure situations while delivering detailed findings with clarity and precision.

## Credentials

- CFI | IAAI - Certified Fire Investigator
- CVFI | NAFI - Certified Vehicle Fire Investigator
- CFII | NAFI - Certified Fire Investigation Instructor
- CFEI | NAFI - Certified Fire and Explosion Investigator
- CFIT | IAAI - Certified Fire Investigation Technician
- Alabama Advanced Fire Investigator Certification
- Certified Law Enforcement Officer - APOSTC
- Alabama Licensed Private Investigator

## Professional Experience

- 2024 - Current | Fire Consultant | YA Group
- 2008 - Current | Chief Fire Investigator | Marshall County Arson Task Force
- 2007 - Current | Fire Chief | City of Arab Fire Department
- 2017 - 2024 | Senior Fire Investigator | Southern Fire Analysis
- 2001 - 2007 | DTF Commander | Marshall County District Attorney's Office
- 1998 - 2001 | Fire Marshal | City of Oneonta Fire Department

## Affiliations

- US Bomb Data Center - Interagency Fire Intelligence Exchange - Training Committee
- Alabama Chapter - International Association of Special Investigation Units

- Tennessee Advisory Commission on Arson
  - Tennessee Chapter IAAI
  - Georgia Chapter IAAI
  - Alabama Chapter IAAI - Board of Directors
  - Fire Marshal's Association of Alabama - Training Committee
  - International Association of Arson Investigators
  - International Association of Fire Investigators
  - National Association of Fire Investigators
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