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Art is the Vice President of OCI Group Eastern Canada and a Certified Fire and Explosion Investigator with over 20 years of experience within the forensic engineering industry. Art also is a member of the Board of Directors for OCI Group/Crawford.

EDUCATION

McMaster University

Degree in Bachelor of Civil Engineering Infrastructure Technology
Hamilton, Ontario, Canada
2010

Mohawk College of Applied Arts and Technology

Diploma in honours in Civil Engineering Technology
Hamilton, Ontario, Canada
2003

CERTIFICATIONS

- Certified Engineering Technologist with OACETT
- Certified Fire and Explosion Investigator (CFEI)

TECHNICAL AFFILIATIONS

- Member – Canadian Association of Fire Investigators (CAFI)
- Member – National Association of Fire Investigators (NAFI)
- Member – International Association of Arson Investigators (IAAI)

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Vice President, Eastern Canada/Fire and Explosion Investigator

OCI Group (Formerly Origin and Cause Incorporated)

Burlington, Ontario

August 2022 – Present

Senior Engineering Technologist/Fire Investigator

OCI Group (Formerly Origin and Cause Incorporated)

Burlington, Ontario

October 2003 – August 2022

- Conduct fire scene investigations primarily for the insurance industry
- Experienced in working individually or in a team setting on cases
- Responsible for the continuity of the fire scene during investigations
- Use of NFPA 921 guidelines for fire scene investigations
- Responsible for creation of drawings/floor plans on certain cases
- Non-Destructive testing on exhibits utilizing digital x-ray technology
- Conduct destructive examinations of exhibits
- Safety testing pertaining to electrical and safety devices
- Photography
- Extensively deal with insurance representatives
- Engaged with emergency services authorities
- Technical report writing

- Involved with promotion at trade show functions
- Responsible for maintaining a budget range on investigations
- Conducted investigations in the 20K to 1M+ range for loss value
- Experienced in losses involving subrogation

Construction Inspector/Office Clerk (Co-op Position)

City of Hamilton Water and Wastewater Division

Hamilton, Ontario

May 2002 — January 2003

- Junior level position designed to assist department office staff and field inspectors for the water and wastewater division.
- Responsible for the creation of work orders using the Hanson public corporation database, and tracking of assets using the proprietary GIS software.

Construction Inspector (Co-op Position)

City of Hamilton Roads and Traffic Department

Hamilton, Ontario

May 2001 — September 2001

- Conducted on site road work inspections while closely working with contractor and labourers.
- Responsible for work being conducted safely and to specifications while monitoring the progress of the contract.