



# FDIAI REGION 6 TRAINING



## Latent Print Advanced Testimony

(In-Person and Virtual Option)

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As the reliability of friction ridge evidence continues to be challenged, latent print examiners must be prepared to defend their science in the courtroom. Reports from the AAAS, PCAST, and NAS have identified perceived weaknesses in the latent print discipline and have generated questions of reliability in the courtroom. As new research becomes available and limitations of the discipline are better understood, latent print testimony has had to evolve. Through presentations and group discussions, participants will discuss how to rely on published research and best practices to support the reliability of friction ridge evidence during testimony.

Course is IAI approved for 16 certification and recert credits.

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**Date:** June 26-27, 2023 8am-5pm

**Location:** FDLE Fort Myers  
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