

Professional Resume
Richard W. Carlson, Sr.

Personal:



Education:

High School - Roosevelt High, Minneapolis Minnesota, graduation June 1970
Associate in Applied Science, Electrical Engineering
University of Kentucky, Jefferson Community College May, 1975
Bachelor of Science, Fire and Safety Engineering, *Summa Cum Laude*
University of Cincinnati, June, 1992
Executive Fire Officer Program Graduate
National Fire Academy - Emmitsburg, Maryland January, 1996
Master of Science, Loss Prevention and Safety
Eastern Kentucky University, December, 1998

Certifications (Prior to Retirement):

Emergency Medical Technician - Commonwealth of Kentucky
Building Inspector - Commonwealth of Kentucky
Fire Prevention Inspector - Commonwealth of Kentucky
Fire Prevention Inspector II - National Fire Protection Association
Senior Fire Prevention Inspector - Building Officials and Code Administrators Assn.
Fire Service Instructor Level II - Commonwealth of Kentucky
Volunteer Firefighter - Commonwealth of Kentucky
Paid Firefighter - Commonwealth of Kentucky

Professional/Organizational Affiliations and Memberships (Prior to Retirement):

Jefferson County Fire Chiefs Association (twice elected president)
Kentucky Fire Chiefs Association
International Association of Fire Chiefs
Building Officials and Code Administrators
National Fire Protection Association
International Association of Fire Service Instructors
Okolona Business and Professional Association Board of Directors
South Louisville/Okolona Rotary Club (past secretary)

Professional Appointments (Past and Present):

Kentucky Community Crisis Response Board, (also elected chairman of board)
Fire Inspector Certification Advisory Committee - National Fire Protection Association.
(Develops the examinations for national certification of fire prevention inspectors)
Member, Technical Committee on Fire Prevention Inspector and Plan Reviewer
Professional Qualifications National Fire Protection Association. (Develops the list of necessary Pre-requisite Skills and Knowledge along with Job Performance Requirements for Fire Prevention Inspectors and Plan Reviewers)
Chairman, Technical Committee on Fire Prevention Inspector and Plan Reviewer
Professional Qualifications National Fire Protection Association.
Member, Fire Protection Advisory Committee for the National Certification Program for Construction Code Inspectors. (Develops the fire protection components for examinations for national certification of building inspectors)

Board of Electrical Control, Jefferson County, Kentucky
Electrical Examining Board, Jefferson County, Kentucky
Former member, Louisville Metro Planning Commission, 2 terms as chairman
Member, NFPA Technical Correlating Committee on Professional Qualifications
Member, Louisville Citizens Commission on Police Accountability

Employment Experience:

United States Army, 1970-1973 (with service in Vietnam)

College Student, 1973 - 1977

City of Anchorage, Kentucky, 1977 (Police Radio Dispatcher)

Commonwealth of Kentucky, 1978 - 1990 (Deputy State Fire Marshal)

(Conducted building and fire prevention inspections, fire cause determination, hazardous material incident response, fire prevention inspector training, testified in state and federal court and administrative proceedings on fire cause and origin, fire behavior, firefighting tactics and general fire safety)

Okolona Fire Protection District, 1974 to 2013

Held various officer ranks as volunteer including fire chief

Hired as first full time fire chief, 1990

Retired July 31, 2013

Volunteer Experience:

Peer Member and Steering Committee Co-chair, Interagency Disaster Response Council - Critical Incident Stress Debriefing/Management Team, 1990 to present. (This group provides emotional assistance for emergency responders which have been involved with a critical incident, one where stress levels run exceptionally high.)

Research Papers and Publications Authored:

“Adoption of a County-wide Incident Command System”*

“The Future of Community Risk Reduction Programs in the Fire Service”*

“Marketing Enhanced 911 System: The Kentucky Experience”*

“Probationary Career Firefighter Evaluation and Organizational Culture in Kentucky”*

“Economic Analysis of Creating a Single, Full-time Fire Department for Jefferson County, Kentucky”**

“Terrorism and Emergency Services - The Triple Threat”**

“Two-in/Two-Out: The Implications for the Kentucky Fire Service”**

* Published by the National Fire Academy

**On file at Eastern Kentucky University