

BIOGRAPHY

Christopher J. Plourd is a sole practitioner in his law firm, The Law Offices of Christopher J. Plourd, located in San Diego, California. In addition to maintaining a trial practice Mr. Plourd belongs to numerous legal and scientific organizations. Mr. Plourd is a member of the American Academy of Forensic Sciences, the American Association for the Advancement of Science and the American Society of Forensic Odontology. Mr. Plourd is also a member of the State Bar of California, the San Diego County Bar Association, California Attorneys for Criminal Justice. National Organization for Criminal Defense Attorneys, Mr. Plourd is also committed to lending his talents in educating fellow members of the bar, as a forensic scientific evidence consultant Mr. Plourd regularly lectures attorneys, judges, law enforcement officers and law students on the subject of forensic scientific evidence.

Christopher J. Plourd has been a practicing litigation attorney for the past twenty nine years specializing in cases involving forensic scientific evidence. Mr. Plourd has engaged extensively in scientific evidence consulting in legal matters involving forensic DNA identity testing throughout the United States and is considered one of a handful of attorneys in the United States who is proficient in the use of forensic DNA technologies. In addition to DNA evidence Mr. Plourd has considerable experience in cases involving Bite Mark identification evidence and Blood Spatter evidence. Mr. Plourd is frequently asked to appear on television news and radio talk show programs to comment upon DNA and other forensic scientific evidence. In 1998 Mr. Plourd received an appointment by the Chairman of the United States Department of Justice National Commission on the Future of DNA Evidence to a technical working group on Crime Scene Evidence Collection. The Commission on the Future of DNA Evidence was a National commission chartered by United States Attorney General, Janet Reno, to develop national policy and recommendations regarding the use of forensic DNA evidence so as to maximize it's value in the American Criminal Justice System. In April of 2003, Mr. Plourd was appointed by Sarah V. Hart, Director of the National Institute of Justice, to a United States Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs Working Group on Principles of Forensic DNA for Officers of the Court. In February of 2005, Mr. Plourd was appointed by Ronald M. George, Chief Justice of the California Supreme Court, to membership on the California Judicial Counsel of California's Science and Law Steering Committee.