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Trooper – Forensic Sketch Artist
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BIOGRAPHY

Trooper LeCount was hired by the Washington State Patrol, District 5 as a Communications Officer in 2008, and then as a Trooper Cadet in 2012. She received her commission on March 14th, 2014 assigned to the Skamania/Goldendale Detachment, responsible for Skamania and Klickitat Counties. In 2015, Trooper LeCount became a Forensic Sketch Artist and has since completed sketches all over WA and norther OR. In May 2020, Trooper LeCount was hired by the WSP Impaired Driving Section, to serve as the District 5 Breath Alcohol Technician and BAC and SFST Instructor, responsible for Klickitat, Skamania, Clark, Cowlitz, Wahkiakum and Pacific Counties and the breath test instruments therein. She continues in this position today.

Since being hire by WSP, Trooper LeCount has become an experienced and decorated Trooper, with over 2,279 hours of training to date, which includes over 200 hours as a Forensic Sketch Artist and over 254 hours with the Impaired Driving Section. She is FEMA certified as a Public Information Officer (PIO) and Incident Command Officer. She has also been trained through WSP as a PIO. Trooper LeCount has received several Commendation Awards for excellence in service to the community, as well as a Life Saving Award from both WSP and Klickitat County.

Prior to moving to Washington, Trooper LeCount was also trained as a EMT, and Trauma Technician, and completed internships in the Elmendorf Air force Base Hospital Emergency Department, Providence Alaska Medical Center Emergency Department, and Radiology Departments, and Alaska Regional Hospital Emergency Department and Day Surgery Units. She put these skills to use as a volunteer for the Anchorage Fire Department. Trooper LeCount completed her Bachelors of Fine Arts, with special emphasis on human/figure drawing and sculpture from the University Of Alaska Anchorage (UAA). During her time at UAA she also completed courses in Human Anatomy, Physiology, Biology, and Terminology. She also holds an Associate of Applied Science in Culinary Arts also from UAA. Prior to and while attending UAA, Trooper LeCount worked as the Assistant Aquatics Director, Lifeguard Trainer, Instructor Trainer, Swim and Fitness Instructor at the Anchorage, AK YMCA. After acquiring her degrees, she worked aboard the Princess Railway Train; as a professional Soux Chef for the Marx Bros. Café; and Chef Instructor at Allen and Peterson Cooking School for several years, eventually sharing her skills as a chef teaching the science of cooking and nutrition.

CURRENT POSITION

Breath Alcohol Calibration (BAC) Technician

Trooper LeCount maintains, tests, troubleshoots and repairs Washington State approved evidential breath test instruments. She conducts Quality Assurance Procedures (QAP's) on the Draeger Alcotest 9510 breath test instruments, which are approved by the State Toxicologist. Trooper LeCount provides court testimony, is the custodian of records and maintains breath test records and data relevant to breath testing and breath testing instruments as required for the instruments in her care. Teaches and certifies or recertifies law enforcement personnel in the operation of breath testing instruments.

Standardized Field Sobriety Test (SFST) Instructor

Trooper LeCount teaches law enforcement personnel in the administration of the Standardized Field Sobriety Tests, as prescribed by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA). The course of instruction includes all aspects of DUI detection from vehicle in motion, to test administration, to legal aspects and report writing.



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WSP EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

- Breath Test Technician, District 5, Vancouver
- Trooper District 5, Goldendale/Skamania
- Trooper Cadet
- Communications Officer

July 14th 2008-Pres.

May 2020 - Present March 2014 - May 2020 May 2012 - March 2014 July 2008 - May 2012

SPECIALIZED TRAINING

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| • | November 2020 | BTP Technician Recertification | WSP - IDS | 4 Hrs |
| • | June 2020 | SFST Instructor Development | WSP-IDS | 40 Hrs |
| • | June 2020 | Breath Test Technician Certification | WSP-IDS | 120 Hrs |
| • | May 2020 | PBT Technician Training | WSP-IDS | 4 Hrs |
| • | April 2020 | Lockdown Leadership: Evolving Issues | | |
| | | Impacting Safety, Morale & Confidence | Caliber Press | 2 Hrs |
| • | March 2020 | Women in Law Enforcement, Survival | Caliber Press | 20 Hrs |
| • | January 2020 | Incident Command | FEMA IS-00100 | 8 Hrs |
| • | March 2018 | NW Leadership Seminar | OR Fire Chiefs Assn. | 20 Hrs |
| • | May - December 2015 | Stephen Mancusi, Police Comp Sketch | ForArtst, IAI | 80 Hrs |
| • | April 2016 | The Reid Technique, Invst Interview | John Reid & Assoc. | 40 Hrs |
| • | October 2016 | Public Information Ofc Training | WSP | 24 Hrs |
| • | October 2016 | Public Information Ofc Awareness | FEMA IS-0029 | 8 Hrs |
| • | April 2016 | Homicide Prevention: DV Investigation | CCSO | 8 Hrs |
| • | November 2015 | Collision Investigation, Advanced | WSP | 64 Hrs |
| • | August 2015 | Advance Roadside Impaired Driving | KCSO | 16 Hrs |
| • | June 2015 | Below 100 Course | WSP | 4 Hrs |
| • | February 2015 | ACCESS Recertification | Online CJIS | 2 Hrs |
| • | April 2014 | Street Survival Seminar | WSCO | 16 Hrs |
| • | September 2013 to | | | |
| | March 2014 | 102 nd Trooper Basic Academy | WSP | 714 Hrs |
| • | January – March 2014 | Field Training/Coaching | WSP | 320 Hrs |
| • | August 2012 | 100th Trooper Basic Academy (injured) | WSP | 400 Hrs |
| • | June 2012 | 24th Trooper Basic Arming | WSP | 271 Hrs |
| • | September 2011 | AMBER Alert | WSP | 0.5 Hrs |
| • | September 2011 | Endangered Missing Persons | WSP | 0.5 Hrs |
| • | February 2009 | Emotionally Disturbed Person | WSP | 0.5 Hrs |
| • | January 2009 | Human Trafficking | Missing Person Unit | 1 Hrs |
| • | October 2008 | Communications Officer Academy | WSP | 48 Hrs |



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EDUCATION

| • 2001 to 2005 | University of Alaska Anchorage | Bachelors of Fine Arts |
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| • 2001 to 2003 | University of Alaska Anchorage | Assoc. of Applied Science |
| 1996 | Bartlett High School, AK | Diploma |

HONORS & AWARDS

| • | April 2020 | District Commendation | Appreciation for Work in Specialty Position (Forensic Sketch) |
|---|----------------|------------------------|--|
| • | February 2018 | Commendation Award | Outstanding Work as Forensic Sketch Artist |
| • | August 2016 | WSP Life Saving Award | Helping Save a Mother and Daughter from drowning |
| • | August 2016 | KCSO Life Saving Award | Helping Save a Mother and Daughter from |
| | Drowning | | from Klickitat County Sheriff Bob Songer |
| • | April 2015 | Commendation Award | Exemplary POP's Project Presentation |
| • | September 2014 | Commendation Award | Extraordinary Commitment and Dedication to D5 |
| • | July 2011 | Commendation Award | Extraordinary Commitment and Dedication |
| • | August 2009 | Commendation Award | Going Above & Beyond to assist a stranded motorist during a wildfire |

SPECIALIZED READING

| • | Breath Test Program Quality and Operations Manual | WSP |
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| | Breath Test Program Technical Manual | WSP |
| | Breath Test Program Training Manual | WSP |
| | Arresting Communication | Lt Jim Glennon |
| | The Reid Technique of Investigative Interviewing and Positive Persuasion | John E Reid & Associates Inc. |
| | Verbal Judo – The Gentle Art of Persuasion | George J Thompson & |
| | | Jerry B Jenkins |
| • | Training at the Speed of Life Volume 1 | Kenneth R. Murray |
| | The Police Composite Sketch Manual | Stephen Mancusi |

PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

- Washington State Patrol Memorial Foundation Board Member
- International Association for Chemical Testing (IACT)

^{*}Updated June 10, 2021*