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| Melanie Leonard  28 Vance Circle, Lexington, NC 27295 · (336) 240-1173  melanie.d.leonard@gmail.com · oculusinvestigativeagency@gmail.com |
| Experienced Former Police Officer/Detective that was committed to maintaining public safety, protecting private and public property and patrolling assigned areas to provide reassurance to local residents. Proficient in law enforcement procedures. Specialized in investigative processes with many years of detective work that utilized communication skills, research proficiency, composing case analysis, constructing arguments based on fact, critical thinking, decision making, prioritizing tasks and time management. Has an analytical mind and is able to uncover details that would otherwise be easily overlooked with a strength in research and organization. Has a passion for Cold Case projects as well as investigations for the potentially wrongfully convicted person(s). Large local network of defense attorneys, law enforcement, and prosecutors. |

# Experience

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| 2020 – Presentlead Private investigator, Oculus investigative agency, llc  * Investigative services to include (but not limited to): background checks, criminal search, witness interviews, process service, skip-tracing, and surveillance. * Licensed through North Carolina Department of Public Safety * NC PPS License #295143  2018 – PresentOwner/OPERATOR, Yelcom Market, LLC  * Resale of vintage and rare items across multiple online platforms * Over 2.5K Items sold * 99% Positive Feedback * eBay Top-Rated Seller |
| 2016 – 2018Operations manager, Wayward brews  * Obtained all legal permits and licenses required for operating the business * Interviewed and hired employees as well as generating bi-weekly payroll and work schedules * Purchased inventory, processed stock, initiated sales, arranged events, and maintained positive business relationships with numerous vendors and other business owners * Overseen general daily operations and insured a positive, warm environment for employees and customers  2003 – 2016police officer - detective, High Point police department  * Assisted major investigations into homicides, armed robberies, kidnappings, aggravated assaults (shootings/stabbings), rapes, domestic violence incidents, and bank robberies * Prepared, obtained, and executed search as well as arrest warrants * Responded to major crimes and preserved the scene to avoid evidence contamination * Wrote extensive investigative reports and referred cases for charging to the District Attorney’s Office * Conducted interrogation of suspects, interviews of witnesses and obtained statements * Organized and prepared cases necessary for prosecution |

# Education/Skills

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| May 2020Associate in Applied science - Criminal Justice, Davidson County Community College |
| Advanced law enforcement certification, North Carolina Department of JusticeAugust 2003Basic Law Enforcement Training (BLET), Davidson county community college |