

# CURRICULUM VITAE of E. JAMES FARMER



## JIM FARMER

## Legal Support & Expert Witness Service

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### WORK EXPERIENCE

1975 to Present

Jim Farmer Legal Support & Expert Witness Service  
(Jim Farmer's Real Estate Inspections)  
(Real Estate Inspection Service, Inc.)  
(Property Survey, A Home Inspection Service Co)  
Owner and Master C.R.E.I.A. Inspector #0004

Developed and formed Inspection Company including design of inspection Forms and procedures used in the inspection business. Helped pioneer the inspection industry in California. Have personally performed over 30,000 inspections on real estate properties (residential, commercial, industrial and environmental).

1964 to 1978

Refurbishment Corporation of America, No. 1 Glass and Screen Co., Northrop Aircraft, Lockheed Aircraft, McDonald Douglas Aircraft, Boeing Aircraft, Philco Ford Aerospace, and Hughes Tool Co.  
Owner and Contractor, Engineer in Aerospace/Commercial Industries.

Job functions were in Construction contracting, Glazing contracting, Tool Design, Tool Engineering, Manufacturing Engineering, Facilities Engineering and Industrial Engineering. Worked on such projects as McDonald Douglas's F18 Hornet and the DC 10, Northrop's F5, Boeing's 747 and 747 SP, Lockheed's L1011, and C5A Galaxy, Serkowski and Hughes Helicopters. Also was involved with the design and layout of Facilities, Tools and Assembly lines used in the projects previously mentioned.

1952 to 1964	Walker Deluxe Corp., Columbia Precision Industry, Precision Tool & Die Company, and Progressive Tool & Die Company. <u>Plant, Tooling and Maintenance Manager, Tool and Die Maker, Tool Design Draftsman</u>
	Built Tools and Dies and designed Tooling for commercial industries (John Deere, Chamberlin Corp., Amana Refrigeration, Minneapolis Honeywell, Ford Motor Corp., etc).
1950 to Present In addition to other Positions during this period.	Construction Industry, <u>Contractor Self Employed</u>  Have been involved in the construction industry in all phases of work, Expert Witness and in Testing / Evaluation / Arbitration of current standards for contractors and Inspectors, with the primary emphasis on Electrical, Glazing and General contracting with the Inspection Industry as a primary field since 1975.

### **Awards, Certifications, Accreditations and Memberships**

- 2007/2009 California Real Estate Inspection Association –State Board of Directors –elected Region 5 Director
- 2005 Honored by the California Real Estate Inspection Association by bestowing the Honor of CREIA Fellow on him for Outstanding Years of Service and Professionalism to the Association
- 2005 Co-wrote and co-instruct classes on Consulting and Expert Witness. Approved by the California State Bar for 3.75 MCLEs per class. Approved by CREIA for 7.5 CECs
- 2005 Wrote and instruct a class on Risk Management. Approved by CREIA for 1.5 CECs
- 2004/2005 California Real Estate Inspection Association –State Board of Directors –elected State Director
- 2004 Honored by the California Real Estate Inspection Association for Outstanding 3 Years of Service and Professionalism to the Association while serving as Treasurer.
- 2004 CPI (Certified Professional Inspector) designation was changed by the California Real Estate Inspection Association to MCI (Master C.R.E.I.A. Inspector)
- 2004 Completed Certificate Program from Ventura Chapter of ICC course on Phase I, II, III, IV Residential Inspection Training Series
- 2004 Completed Certificate Program from California Real Estate Inspection Association course on Concrete Tile Roofs.
- 2004 Completed Certificate Program from California Real Estate Inspection Association course on Corrugated Stainless Steel Tubing- CSST.

- 2004 Completed Certificate Program from California Real Estate Inspection Association course on Plumbing Re-pipe Alternative and Coating ID of Pipes.
- 2004 Completed Certificate Program from California Real Estate Inspection Association course on Stucco Systems Inspections.
- 2004 Completed Certificate Program from California Real Estate Inspection Association course on Inspection Basics and Beyond.
- 2004 Completed Certificate Program from California Real Estate Inspection Association course on Pool and Spa Inspections
- 2003 Ventura County Coastal Association of REALTORS
- 2003 Completed Certificate Program from California Real Estate Inspection Association course on Everything Legal – Legal Basics For Inspectors.
- 2003 Completed Certificate Program from California Real Estate Inspection Association course on Manufactured Concrete Chimneys.
- 2003 Completed Certificate Program from California Real Estate Inspection Association course on Fire Blocking & Draft Stopping.
- 2003 Completed Certificate Program from California Real Estate Inspection Association course on Plumbing \_ Vents to Cross Connections.
- 2003 Completed Certificate Program from California Real Estate Inspection Association course on Appliance Inspections.
- 2003 Completed Re-Certification Program from Fireplace Investigation Research and Education course on Fireplace Inspection FP-10/FP-02/FP-03 Certification # FP-002
- 2002 Honored by the California Real Estate Inspection Association with their highest and most prestigious award, The **John Daly Award**.
- 2001/2004 California Real Estate Inspection Association–State Board of Directors-State Treasurer, 3 Terms
- 2002 Completed Certification Program from ICBO course on Fundamentals of Building Inspection.
- 2002 Completed Certificate Program from the Ventura Chapter of ICBO on The Uniform Plumbing Code, Drain, Waste and Vent Systems.
- 2002 Honored by the California Real Estate Inspection Association for Outstanding Year of Service and Professionalism to the Association while serving as Treasurer.
- 2002 Completed Certificate Program from California Real Estate Inspection Association course on Energy Inspections.
- 2002 Completed Certificate Program from California Real Estate Inspection Association course on Roofing & Flashing Installation.

- 2002 Completed Certificate Program from California Real Estate Inspection Association course on Attic Truss Installation Defects.
- 2002 Completed Certificate Program from California Real Estate Inspection Association course on New Construction Electrical Inspections.
- 2002 Completed Certificate Program from California Real Estate Inspection Association course on Pool & Spa inspections.
- 2002 Completed Certificate Program from California Real Estate Inspection Association course on Built-up Roofing.
- 2001 Certificate of Appreciation from the American Society of Home Inspectors for contributions while serving on CCAC Committee.
- 2001 Was Honored by the California Real Estate Inspection Association as one the 25 most influential individuals of the first 25 years of C.R.E.I.A.
- 2001 Certificate of Appreciation from the American Society of Home Inspectors for contributions while serving as Committee Chair on CCAC Committee.
- 2001/Pres International Conference of Building Officials (ICBO), International Code Council (ICC) – Professional Membership # 5030243.
- 2001/Pres Member of the National Fire Protection Association International #1116103)
- 2001 Completed Certification Program from the California Department of Housing and Community Development. Courses included Manufactured Home Installations, Federal Manufacturing Housing Construction Codes, Pre- 1976 Manufactured Homes and Applicable State Building Codes.
- 2001 Completed Certificate Program from Fireplace Investigation Research and Education course on Pre-Cast Concrete Fireplace PC-01.
- 2001 Completed Certificate Program from Fireplace Investigation Research and Education course on Fire Investigator & The Fireplace FI-01.
- 2000 Certificate of Appreciation from the American Society of Home Inspectors for contributions while serving on CCAC Committee.
- 2000 Completed Certificate Program from California Real Estate Inspection Association course on Commercial Inspections.
- 2000 Completed Certificate Program from California Real Estate Inspection Association course on Seismic Inspections.
- 2000 Certificate of Appreciation from the California Real Estate Inspection Association for Bylaws Committee Co-Chair for 1999/2000 year of Service & leadership to the Association and the Inspection Industry.
- 2000 Completed Certificate Program from California Real Estate Inspection Association course on Ventilation & Moisture.

- 2000 Completed Certificate Program from California Real Estate Inspection Association course on Moisture Related Flooring Failures.
- 2000 Contractors State License Board Home Improvement Contractor (H.I.C.)
- 2000/2001 California Real Estate Inspection Association—State Board of Directors—Director at Large.
- 2000 Completed Certificate Program from Fireplace Investigation Research and Education course on Home Inspector HI-01.
- 2000 Completed Certificate Program from Fireplace Investigation Research and Education course on Fireplace Inspection FP-10/FP-02/FP-03, Certified Fireplace Inspector #FP-002
- 2000 Certificate of Appreciation Chapter President's Award for 1995/1996 from the California Real Estate Inspection Association for Outstanding Contribution of Time and Support by the San Fernando Valley Chapter.
- 2000 Certificate of Appreciation President's Award for 1999/2000 from the California Real Estate Inspection Association for Outstanding Contribution of Time and Support to the State President of the California Real Estate Inspection Association.
- 1999 Certified to teach for the California Department of Real Estate (DRE) class on "Home Inspections and Real Estate Disclosures".
- 1999 Certificate of Recognition from the California Real Estate Inspection Association for the 1997/1998 as State President of California Real Estate Inspection Association for Outstanding Service, Commitment & Leadership.
- 1999 Certificate of Appreciation from the California Real Estate Inspection Association for Executive Officer 1996-1999 for Years of Outstanding Service & Leadership to the Association and the Real Estate Inspection Profession.
- 1998/Pres. Consultant in Construction and Home Inspection Litigation. Work with several Attorneys and Insurance Companies, doing Litigation support in defect investigation and Expert Witness testimony.
- 1998/1999 California Real Estate Inspection Association—State Board of Directors— State Past President.
- 1998 Certificate of Appreciation from the California Real Estate Inspection Association for Volunteer Efforts & Educational contributions to the Preparation & Development of the C.R.E.I.A. Membership Exam.
- 1998 Certificate of Appreciation from the California Real Estate Inspection Association for year of Executive Board Service & Leadership to the Association & Real Estate Inspection Profession.
- 1997/1998 California Real Estate Inspection Association—State Board of Directors— State President.
- 1997 Completed Certification Program from the Contractors State License Board course in the Industry Expert Program.

- 1997 Certification of Recognition from the Thousand Oaks/Conejo Valley Chamber of Commerce in honor of continued support as a Chamber member for 12 years.
- 1996/1997 California Real Estate Inspection Association—State Board of Directors—State Vice President / President. Elect.
- 1996 Completed Certification Program from The Association for Safety Knowledge as a Registered Inspector #00080.
- 1995/2000 Arbitration & Mediation International Arbitrator for the California Contractors State License Board Panel of Arbitrators.
- 1995/Pres. Industry Expert Witness for the Contractors State license Board as a General Building, Glazing & Asbestos Certified Abatement Contractor.
- 1995 Completed Certification Program from Arbitration & Mediation International for California Contractors State License Board Panel of Arbitrators in Ethics, Procedures & Construction Arbitration.
- 1995 Member of the Coalition of California Home Inspectors (CCHI).
- 1994 Certificate of Appreciation from the American Red Cross for helping victims of Southern California after the Earthquake.
- 1994 Certificate of Appreciation from Contractors State License Board in helping to revise & improve the General Building Examination.
- 1994 Completed Certification Program from the California Real Estate Inspection Association course in Post-Earthquake Safety Evaluation of Buildings and Residential Earthquake Supplement.
- 1993 Completed Certification Program & Testing from the California Real Estate Inspection Association as a Certified Professional Inspector #0004.
- 1992 Letter of Appreciation from the United States Environmental Protection Agency for participation in the revised drafting of the Citizen's Guide to Radon.
- 1992 Certificate of Achievement from University of Texas Center for Environmental Research and Training in Inspecting Buildings for Asbestos Containing Materials
- 1992 Associate Member of the International Association of Electrical Inspectors #0017491
- 1992 Completed Certification Program from Colorado State University Western Regional Radon Training Center requirements for Radon Measurement Operators Course.
- 1991/92 California Real Estate Inspection Association—State Board of Directors— State Secretary (two terms). San Fernando Valley Chapter Vice President (two terms).
- 1991 Completed Certification Program from the Southern California Gas Company in Gas Appliance Service.

- 1990 Completed Certification Program from State of California Department of Health Services Radon Programs as a Radon Testing and Consulting Specialist, Radon Certification USEPA, Radon Contr. Proficiency (RCP) #10756 (inactive), Ca. State Cert. RCP #107 (inactive), Radon Cert. USEPA, RMP (Radon Measurement Proficiency) #107560T (inactive), Ca. State Cert. RMP #177 (inactive).
- 1990 Completed Certification Program from Colorado State University Western Regional Radon Training Center requirements for Radon Technology for Mitigators.
- 1988/89 A.S.H.I./C.R.E.I.A.– Los Angeles Chapter Secretary.
- 1988 Member of the American Society of Home Inspectors (A.S.H.I.), and the California Real Estate Inspection Association (C.R.E.I.A.) #11775 Current.
- 1986 Conejo Valley Board of Realtors #11263.
- 1985 Completed Certification Program from University of Texas Center for Environmental Research and Training in Asbestos, ASB Classification (Inactive).
- 1985 Conejo Valley Chamber of Commerce.
- 1970 Completed Licensing & Testing from the Contractors State License Board Contractors License #30181 B, C17, ASB (Inactive).
- 1970 Senior Member of the Society of Manufacturing Engineers
- 1967 Senior Member of the American Society of Tool and Manufacturing Engineers
- 1959 Certificate of Apprenticeship from the Apprentice Council of the State of Iowa as a Journeyman Tool & Die Maker.
- 1954 Completed Certification Program from the Department of the Army as an Electrician.

### **Education**

University of Texas, Arlington Texas	(Asbestos)
Colorado State University, Fort Collins, Co.	(Radon)

Jim Farmer Legal Support & Expert Witness Service can provide support in knowledge and research to the litigation case in the fields of Construction, Commercial / Industrial / Residential Inspections as well as personal Injury related to these areas. We also provide education in the Expert Witness field.

Jim Farmer's Real Estate Inspections is a Commercial/Industrial and Residential inspection company dedicated to quality and service. Jim Farmer's Real Estate Inspections has been in the business since 1978 and has done in excess of over 30,000 commercial/Industrial and residential inspections, with Mr. Farmer doing in excess of over 20,000 inspections himself. It is this company's philosophy that continuing education is the key to a good inspection. Our inspectors are required to at least 4 times a year attend seminars and schooling to further their education, and keep up with State, County, and City Regulations and Standards.

In order to do a fair and impartial inspection, JIM FARMER LEGAL SUPPORT & EXPERT WITNESS SERVICE will not accept any repair work. We adhere to the Standards of Practice and Code of Ethics of the California Real Estate Inspection Association and Chapter 9.3 Sections 7195 through 7199 of Division 3 of the California Business and Professions Code relating to Home Inspections. These standards and codes define the duty and conditions, limitations, and exclusions, of the inspection. Client(s) may review a copy of the CREIA standards and Business and Professions Codes linked from this site.

Jim Farmer is a CREIA FELLOW, a Master CREIA Inspector #0004 in good standing with CREIA. He has served in every position on the State Board of Directors. Mr. Farmer is a current member of the American Society of Home Inspectors (ASHI) and member of the Coalition of California Home Inspectors (CCHI). He is also an Associate Member of the International Code Council (ICC), and the International Association of Electrical Inspectors (IAEI), Jim Farmer was an Arbitrator with Arbitration & Mediation International (AMI) for the Contractors State License Board (CSLB) and is currently an industry expert for the California State License Board and several attorneys.

**Certificates upon request**

**References upon request**