

Sonya Villa is a Supervising Forensic Identification Specialist with a large law enforcement agency in southern California, where she oversees the CSI/Latent Print Section. She has worked in Law Enforcement for 24 years and in the forensic science discipline for 18 years. Sonya has completed numerous specialized training courses and has extensive experience as a Latent Print Examiner and Crime Scene Investigator. She is a court-qualified expert witness in CSI and the field of friction ridge analysis. Sonya was the lead course instructor for her agency's Latent Print Comparison Training Program from 2011 to 2016.

Sonya holds an Associate of Science degree in Administration of Justice and a Certificate in Forensic Identification. She is an active member of the International Association for Identification, the International Biometric Association, and the Southern California Association of Fingerprint Officers. In 2017, Sonya completed the West Virginia University Custom Forensic Management Academy.