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WEBINARS (ALL WEBINARS ARE 75 MINUTES):

CASE STUDY: 4949 Swiss Avenue: Where There's a Will, There's a Way

Julie Krawczyk, Donna Strittmatter Max

Is it a loving friendship? Or is it a crime, years in the making? When Mark McCay befriended 85-year old socialite Mary Ellen Bendtsen in 2002, what was his motive? He assisted Mary Ellen with some of her home's maintenance requirements, listened to her stories of good times and great parties at her Swiss Avenue mansion, and tried to get her to give her interest in the property to him. She refused. Years later, after Mary Ellen fell and hit her head, McCay was able to get Mary Ellen to sign a power of attorney, which he used to isolate her from her family, manipulate her, and exercise undue influence over her. When Mary Ellen suffered a massive stroke one month later, Mark was there in the emergency room, will in hand. Years of planning and preparing were about to pay off for Mark McCay. This webinar will cover how witness testimony, videos taken by McCay and his attorney of Mary Ellen at the time she signed the power of attorney and the will, medical records, and probate court records came together in court to show McCay's specific intent to steal Mary Ellen's home from her rightful heirs.

Learning Objectives:

1. Understand the dynamics between elder abuse victims and perpetrators
2. Describe how prosecutors can use certain documents and testimony to prove incapacity
3. Utilize the Elder Financial Safety Center model to better investigate elder abuse and financial crimes

Animal Abuse + Family Violence: Investigation & Prosecution Strategies to Keep Families Safe

Allie Phillips

Research has well-documented the link between animal abuse and family violence. With 68% of American homes having pets, family violence first responders and prosecutors should understand how pets are targeted to gain silence and compliance of victims, which can impact successful investigations and prosecutions. This webinar will explore the latest research on the importance of addressing animal abuse in family violence dynamics, how agencies can work together, and investigation and prosecution trial strategies. No abusive photos will be shown.

Learning Objectives:

1. Understand the growing body of research on the harmful effects of animal abuse in the home
2. Learn how to talk to children about animals and animal abuse for better intervention and advocacy for the child
3. Learn about investigation and prosecution strategies when animal abuse is linked to domestic violence

The Art of Perception: Part I

Amy Herman

This webinar will give law enforcement and other professionals who are committed to combating violence against women the necessary tools to enhance perception and communication in both investigation and critical response. Special consideration will be given to the coronavirus pandemic, which has broadly impacted the accessibility to and communication with domestic violence victims, nationwide. While the use of technology in curtailing violence is prevalent, it is human interaction and effective communication, especially during this pandemic, that is the foundation of successful crime fighting initiatives and reducing recidivism. Learning to analyze works of art in this interactive webinar will enable attendees to better understand victims' perspectives and help to formulate the most effective responses to each incident of

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violence. Recognition of patterns and the ability to articulate behavioral changes are critical skills in understanding cyclical violence. Works of art will also be used to dismantle biases and long held assumptions that can impede both optimal decision-making and the fostering of collaborative efforts among law enforcement and social services agencies. Initially designed for the New York City Police Department, The Art of Perception is now a component in domestic violence and homicide investigators' curricula nationwide and will provide attendees with a renewed sense of inquiry and perceptiveness that will be instrumental in their practice to combat violence against women.

Learning Objectives:

1. Expand and refresh observation, perception, and communication skills in both investigations and critical response related to violence against women
2. Understand how biases and assumptions can impede optimal decision making and the fostering of collaboration among law enforcement and social service agencies to end cyclical violence

The Art of Perception: Part II, Multiple Perspectives for Better Decision Making

Amy Herman

In this webinar, The Art of Perception will use images of painting, sculpture, and photography as tools to reconsider biases, assumptions, cultural competence, and related ethical issues that factor into critical response and decision making. The webinar will challenge participants' assumptions, foster creative problem-solving -- individually and collectively -- and augment critical analysis skills by incorporating multiple perspectives into their thinking. Looking at works of art as a group will enable participants to reconsider how they communicate observations and perceptions -- both orally and in writing -- which, in turn, helps to dismantle long-held assumptions and implicit biases that can impede best practices and decision making. Understanding and implementing a broader concept of inclusion without the constraints of implicit biases underlies a more objective, informed, and effect response to critical incidents.

Learning Objectives:

1. Expand and refresh observation, perception, and communication skills in both investigations and critical response related to violence against women
2. Understand how biases and assumptions can impede optimal decision making and the fostering of collaboration among law enforcement and social service agencies to end cyclical violence

Become a Google Jedi: Building a Better Boolean String

Lauren Wagner

Google is everyone's go-to search engine, but most people aren't utilizing it to the full capability. Google has built-in tools to search particular websites, search for exact phrases, and search within URLs. This webinar will show how to effectively use Google to filter search results to relevant and useful information to accomplish tasks such as searching Facebook without a Facebook account, searching Instagram without an Instagram account, and searching a specific subreddit for information.

Learning Objectives:

1. Understand how to effectively use Google to filter search results
2. Gain insight into the various types of social media accounts and how they can be accessed without accounts
3. Learn how to search the internet for specific information within URLs

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Best Practices for Working with Immigrant Victims of Domestic & Sexual Violence

Rocio Molina

Particularly in times of increased immigration enforcement and heightened anti-immigrant sentiment, immigrant and Limited English Proficient (LEP) victims of domestic violence, sexual assault, child/elder abuse, and human trafficking can be very reluctant to call for help, make police reports, and cooperate with law enforcement and prosecutors in criminal investigations or prosecutions. This webinar will discuss the various tools that law enforcement and prosecution agencies across the country can use to build trust with and assist immigrant and LEP victims. This webinar will address: best practices for working with immigrant crime victims; special protections that VAWA confidentiality offers to prevent deportation of crime victims; benefits of U and T visa certification practices for victim protection and officer safety; and policies and practices that build trust and language access with immigrants and LEP. Attendees will gain an understanding about how they can use these tools to keep victims and communities safe. The presenter will provide access to toolkits, tools, and resources on the U visa, T visa, continued presence relief, and immigrant crime victims' legal rights, as well as to the National Immigrant Women's Advocacy Project web library, online webinars, and technical assistance.

Learning Objectives:

1. Use the U and T visa programs to effectively enhance work of law enforcement and prosecutors with immigrant victims
2. Enhance officer, victim, and community safety using language access and certification programs
3. Build collaborations and best practices for working with victim advocates and attorneys with expertise serving immigrant victims

Beyond the 911 Call: Achieving Holistic Justice for Domestic Violence Survivors

Carvana Cloud, Julie Pleasant

The U.S. is engaged in a criminal justice reform conversation that requires justice professionals to be more trauma-informed and culturally inclusive. Research shows that only up to 50% of domestic violence survivors engage law enforcement. Additionally, many minority communities actively distrust law enforcement due to our nation's shameful history of behavior towards them. Justice for most survivors is not about the criminal conviction, but more about accessing services and opportunities that will allow them to heal in the wake of harm. This webinar will highlight the efficacy of Houston's coordinated response and provide attendees a blueprint to replicate this model in their communities as they seek justice on behalf of domestic violence survivors. Attendees will gain insight into the harm caused by a racially-biased system and explore how to encourage survivors to report through active listening and education of community stakeholders.

Learning Objectives:

1. Acknowledge the trauma and harm caused by a racially-biased criminal justice system
2. Learn how to encourage reporting through active listening and education of community stakeholders
3. Be able to empower survivors, law enforcement, and community residents to develop healthy relationships in order to create safer communities

Beyond Evidence Collection: Using Forensic Nurse Findings in the Criminal Justice Process

Kim Nash

While it is well known that forensic nurses can contribute a great deal to the investigation and prosecution of sexual assault cases, their value in the response to other crimes is less understood, especially in the absence of an evidence collection component. This webinar will explore how forensic nurses can strengthen the community and criminal justice response to violent crimes. Discussion will include using assessment findings for investigation and prosecution in the context of human trafficking, death

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investigation, intimate partner violence, disaster planning and unique approaches for a sexual assault response that go beyond the traditional SANE program structure. Short case examples will be utilized.

Learning Objectives:

1. Understand the significance of forensic nurse findings in the criminal justice process
2. Learn how to strengthen the community and criminal justice response to violence crimes
3. Discuss the use of assessment findings in investigations and prosecutions within the context of human trafficking, homicide, intimate partner violence, and sexual assault

Beyond Protection Orders: Enhancing the Safety of Stalking Victims

Jennifer Landhuis

In 76% of femicides, offenders stalked their victims within the year preceding the murder. Yet, the criminal justice system often overlooks the specific needs and concerns of stalking victims. Identifying and intervening in stalking cases early can enhance safety, reduce violence, and – sometimes – even prevent homicide. This webinar will identify risk factors associated with stalking crimes and focus on enhancing victim safety, emphasizing community collaboration, ongoing stalking-specific risk assessment, and meaningful safety strategies. Join us for this interactive webinar that provides strategies for all professionals working with victims of stalking.

Learning Objectives:

1. Identify the specific tactics stalking offenders typically engage in
2. Develop strategies to corroborate allegations of unwanted contact
3. List the 14 risk factors that cause an increased risk of danger in stalking cases

Building a Sexual Assault Case with the Defense in Mind

Nancy Oglesby, Larry Braunstein

Investigating and prosecuting adult sexual assault cases are often very challenging. Victim behavior can appear counter-intuitive, the victim's ability to share what happened can be compromised due to a number of factors, and jury bias presents additional hurdles. This webinar, taught by two former prosecutors, one of whom is now a defense attorney, will address the difficult issues faced by law enforcement and prosecutors in bringing a successful sexual assault case to trial. The presenters will address how the defense will view and prepare for the case, as well as address best practices for law enforcement and prosecutors to build the strongest cases possible.

Learning Objectives:

1. Detail what issues are important to a defense attorney in preparing for trial in a sexual assault case
2. Learn how to investigate and build a strong case knowing what a defense attorney will focus on at trial

CASE STUDY: But They Were "Private": Destroying a Life through Sextortion & Non-Consensual Pornography

Lou Luba

This webinar will examine the prosecution of State of Connecticut v. Christopher Lamb, and will address how a single person can devastate numerous lives through casual social media investigations and a few keystrokes. The presenter will focus on the growing national and international criminal threat of non-consensual pornography (NCP) and sextortion. Recorded post-conviction interviews with the defendant will give a unique insight into the thought process and methodical social engineering process utilized by the offender, as well as the motive behind his actions. Beyond a specific case study of the Lamb case, additional information and studies related to sextortion and NCP, including victim and offender profiles and resources for law enforcement and victims, will be presented.

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Learning Objectives:

1. Explore the mind of a hacker and social media predator
2. Recognize the growing threat of “sextortion,” non-consensual pornography, and other forms of cyber sexual exploitation and the devastating effects on victims
3. Discuss unique issues surrounding the investigation and prosecution of these types of cases, addressing charging considerations and plea agreement negotiations
4. Identify the various resources available to assist victims of such crimes

Court Ordered Abuse: Violence & Long-Lasting Trauma of Women Forced to Co-Parent with Their Abuser **Barry Goldstein, Melanie Blow, Doreen Sims, Carol Midboe, Katie Amber**

Recent articles have highlighted the increasingly common occurrence of women being forced into violent co-parenting relationships with their abuser. In many instances, women were ignored as they tried to file for protective orders or showed existing protective orders or fresh bruises. The presenters will analyze three cases of violence perpetrated against women during child exchanges and discuss how the violence was targeted through proxies such as children, friends, and family. Attendees will review the red flags and warning signs of this type of domestic violence and identify ways in which to prevent it from happening.

Learning Objectives:

1. Examine the warning signs of violence in a co-parenting situation
2. Be able to properly document and prosecute domestic violence by proxy
3. Understand the long-term effects of women exposed to this violence, and identify ways to prevent it

Dissecting the “Trauma Brain”: A Closer Look at Trauma-Informed Justice in Indian Country

Leslie Hagen

This webinar will address the effects of trauma from a prosecutor's perspective on victims and witnesses. A tribal strangulation case will serve as the backdrop and will illustrate what can happen when non-trauma-informed interviewing practices and report writing occur during the course of an investigation. The manner in which a crime victim is interviewed and how well her trauma is understood by members of the criminal justice system can dramatically impact the answers she is able to provide and her willingness to have her case prosecuted. The presenter will also provide best practice examples for incorporating a trauma-informed law enforcement and prosecution response into violent crime cases in Indian Country.

Learning Objectives:

1. Recognize the effects of trauma on victims and witnesses
2. Examine a strangulation case study from Indian country to see what can happen as a result of poor interviewing and report writing
3. Understand the importance of incorporating best practices for a trauma-informed response from both law enforcement and prosecutors

Dissociation in Adult Survivors of Trauma

Colin Ross

Dissociation is a common response to both single traumatic events and to chronic trauma such as domestic violence, childhood abuse, prolonged combat exposure, and human trafficking. Types of dissociative symptoms include: depersonalization (feeling unreal or disconnected from one's body); amnesia for traumatic events in the absence of drugs, alcohol, or brain injury; and identity confusion or fragmentation. Most training programs in mental health, law enforcement and other disciplines do not provide adequate training in the recognition of dissociation. This webinar will discuss how to ask about symptoms of dissociation during an assessment, investigation, or interview using practical, specific examples. The presenter will describe four different meanings of the word 'dissociation' in the literature; confusion can arise when it is not clear which meaning a person has in mind. Besides having symptoms of dissociation, a

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person can meet criteria for one of the dissociative disorders; the presenter will review these briefly but will concentrate primarily on symptoms, rather than diagnoses.

Learning Objectives

1. Be able to define four different meanings of dissociation
2. Describe the various symptoms of dissociation
3. Understand how to effectively ask about symptoms of dissociation

Exposing What's Concealed: Leveraging Federal Firearm Statutes to Increase Victim Safety & Offender Accountability

John Guard, Heidi Bonner

The U.S. has recently experienced at least four years of increases in intimate partner homicide. Addressing firearms, particularly those unlawfully possessed, is essential, as research has repeatedly shown that the presence of a firearm in an intimate partner relationship substantially increases the risk of a homicide. The importance of reducing the presence of firearms in such relationships extends to law enforcement officers, as well. 95% of domestic violence-related law enforcement officer homicides from 1996 to 2010 were committed with a firearm. This webinar will provide an overview of federal firearms laws to ensure that those who attend acquire a firm understanding of law enforcement authority to enforce federal gun laws. The presenters will include information on promising legislation and practices concerning the seizure of firearms in the context of IPV.

Learning Objectives:

1. Examine the need of addressing firearm possession in the context of domestic violence
2. Discuss innovative ways to address the seizure of firearms
3. Review the benefits that can be achieved by implementing policy and training that governs the investigation of firearm related crimes

CASE STUDY: Harem of Horror: A Batterer's Manipulation of His Victims & the Criminal Justice System

Elissa Wev

Christopher Whaley was a model probationer and a master manipulator. He was well-versed in the conditions and consequences of being on family violence probation; he used those very same conditions to have his victim arrested on four separate occasions and jailed for over 150 days. Prior to pleading to probation on two felony charges of family violence against his pregnant girlfriend, B, Whaley called police from a Dallas hospital to accuse B of assaulting him. B was indicted, arrested, and pleaded to her own felony probation for Aggravated Assault. For the next three years, Whaley kept B a prisoner to her probation conditions. He convinced court officers, prosecutors, and a district judge that B was the problem. Kept hidden was the fact that B was just one of three women Whaley rotated in a carousel of violence, abuse, and manipulation--until B joined unlikely allies and fought back. This webinar will examine how Whaley exploited systematic and personal vulnerabilities to weaponize the criminal justice system against his victims. Attendees will explore strategies for prosecuting probation violations to hold batterers accountable.

Learning Objectives:

1. Analyze a case study in which the criminal justice system was used as a weapon against three women
2. Explore strategies for prosecuting probation violations
3. Discuss new options for offender accountability

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Labor Trafficking in the U.S. & Successful Local Investigations

Rochelle Keyhan, Joseph Scaramucci

Foreign and indigenous victims in the U.S. are underserved and, many times, a misunderstood population. A large gap exists for understanding different indigenous communities, which are often lumped into one nationality when encountering the U.S. legal system. Understanding the wide, diverse cultural traditions of indigenous communities and providing a trauma-informed victim approach for indigenous populations is crucial. This webinar will discuss incorporating culture into a victim-centered approach to working with indigenous trafficking survivors from Mexico and the U.S., and share helpful resources for working with survivors from these communities.

Learning Objectives:

1. Learn how to detect these types of trafficking and ways to gather the evidence needed to meet the elements of the crime
2. Examine labor trafficking case studies, and how to prevent it from happening in other jurisdictions

CASE STUDY: No Victim? No Problem: How to Win a Jury Trial Without a Victim

Miiko Anderson, Grant Bradford

This webinar will feature an in-depth, comprehensive look at the successful investigation and prosecution of People v. Herbert Goodwin. Goodwin was a convicted pimp who re-offended by forcefully and violently trafficking multiple victims, one of whom was a minor with special needs. During the criminal proceedings, the minor became unable to withstand the emotional and psychological stress. While on the stand, she suffered a complete breakdown during a critical evidentiary hearing, and it was apparent that she would not be able to testify at trial. This webinar will focus on the tools, tactics, and evidence used to obtain a guilty jury verdict despite her unavailability for trial.

Learning Objectives:

1. Learn the importance of "thinking out of the box" when it comes to both the initial and follow up investigations
2. Gain insight regarding the criminal process and the role they can play in a successful prosecution
3. Gain confidence to pursue justice without a victim and thereby debunking the mistaken belief held by many defendants of "no victim no case"

Project 180: The New Way to Investigate and File on Traffickers While Diverting Prostitution Sellers

Johna Stallings, Carla Manuel

In Harris County, Texas, a team of prosecutors, analysts, and an investigator work together out of the District Attorney's Office to combat trafficking by diverting prostitution sellers while investigating misdemeanor seller cases to develop trafficking suspects. The Director of Trafficking Intelligence, along with a team of analysts, review misdemeanor selling cases as they come in to develop trafficking suspects out of databases, social media, and digital evidence to file felony offenses without the necessity of an outcry by any victims. Analysts develop suspects and turn information over to prosecutors and investigators to write search warrants and file charges once all information has been thoroughly investigated and developed against the true criminals, which includes Aggravated Promotion, Engaging in Organized Criminal Activities, and other felony offenses. In this webinar, case studies will be analyzed to show the process of how trafficking suspects are developed out of misdemeanor arrests, along with an understanding of how the diversion program assists in getting sellers out of the lifestyle of prostitution. Don't be forever dependent upon reactive investigations of trafficking offenses; learn to conduct proactive investigations of traffickers who will no longer fly under law enforcement radar through an effective team approach. The presenters will provide statistics to show how and why this method works and how it will become the new standard in sex trafficking investigations.

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Learning Objectives:

1. Analyze a specific program in Harris County, TX, and discuss ways in which it can be implemented in other jurisdictions
2. Examine various case studies to gain an understanding of how trafficking suspects are developed out of misdemeanor arrests
3. Understand why this new method for detecting trafficking offenders works, and how to make it the new standard

Router Artifacts: The Call is Coming From the House

John Trenary

Domestic violence, stalking, harassment, and other crimes where a victim is targeted by a known suspect often involve little corroborative evidence. For example, when a victim reports a stalking violation, and the suspect states "I wasn't there! I was across town!", location-based evidence becomes valuable, objective evidence to further the investigation. One potential source of location-based evidence that is often overlooked is a WiFi router. The smart phones that people carry around everyday routinely and automatically connect to known WiFi networks when the device comes within range of the WiFi router. The router logs from these WiFi networks serve as a silent witness detailing when a specific device came within range and connected to the network. This webinar will introduce attendees to the potential evidentiary value of WiFi network logs, forensic challenges associated with WiFi networks, and the basics of recovering valuable corroborative location information from WiFi networks.

Learning Objectives:

1. Understand the evidentiary value of WiFi network logs
2. Gain insight into forensic challenges associated with WiFi networks
3. Learn the basics of recovering valuable corroborative location information from WiFi networks

Strangulation Foundations

Kelsey McKay

Statutes criminalizing strangulation have passed nationally, but many communities have not received basic training on how to identify, investigate or successfully prosecute this misunderstood crime. This webinar will discuss the prevalence of this often-missed form of violence and discuss why the lack of external evidence misguides the criminal justice system. Better understanding of alternative evidence, basic anatomy, and the physiological consequences of impeding cases will provide a strong foundation upon which communities can build a better response and shape stronger protocols.

Learning Objectives:

1. Discuss the seriousness of strangulation assaults and how they are large predictors of lethality
2. Learn how to overcome common challenges presented by strangulation cases
3. Implement the Strangulation Supplement into local jurisdictions, and gain tips on how to conduct quality strangulation investigations

Talking to Victims: The Basics of Applying Trauma-Informed Practices

Justin Boardman

Talking to victims and witnesses of violence can be difficult, whether you are brand new to the field or a veteran on the verge of burnout. This webinar will briefly review the bare basics of the neurobiology of trauma and discuss areas of a victim's or witnesses' experience to interview around. Thoughtfully engaging with a traumatized person allows more opportunity to potentially locate additional physical evidence, keep victims engaged, and provide procedural justice. Best practices for victim and witness interviewing, especially as it relates to trauma, and strategies for formal and on-scene circumstances will be discussed.

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Learning Objectives:

1. Understand the Neurobiology of Trauma and how it relates to various types of investigations
2. Analyze best practices for victim and witness interviewing, especially as it relates to trauma
3. Discuss strategies for formal and on-scene circumstances

Traumatic Bonding: Why Victims May Trade Escape Skills for Coping Skills

Julie Owens

Learn about traumatic bonding: A complex, unconscious, psychological, and biochemical survival response that is often misidentified as co-dependency or pathology. Because abuse is routine but unpredictable, and escape seems impossible, victims may develop a paradoxical attachment to their abuser. This webinar will cover how traumatic bonding develops and ways to support affected survivors.

Learning Objectives:

1. Name three indicators of a trauma bond
2. Be able to list two differences between traumatic bonding and co-dependency
3. Identify changes necessary to sever a traumatic bond

Understanding the Needs of Victims in the Deaf Community

Heather Daley, Wilma Dennis

This webinar will focus on the needs of deaf survivors and recognize their unique struggles of living within the deaf community and the difficulty of receiving domestic violence/sexual assault (DV/SA) services. The deaf and hard-of-hearing survivors' world is completely different from the hearing survivors'. The lack of communication with hearing providers, the lack of access to the outside world, and the small, tight-knit culture of the deaf community all provide different ways of living and dealing with domestic violence. Frequently, the deaf survivor will spend time struggling with the decision whether or not to use services currently provided by those who are unfamiliar with deaf culture and the unique needs of deaf and hard-of-hearing survivors. Because of this unfamiliarity with deaf culture & language, a deaf survivor may end up spending more time educating a provider on a survivor's unique communication & cultural needs rather than on the abusive experience that a survivor needs help to overcome. This webinar will discuss the unique needs of the deaf community, as well as those with multiple identities (such as Deaf, DeafBlind, DeafDisabled, and Hard of Hearing).

Learning Objectives:

1. Analyze the Deaf Power and Control wheel, and how it compares to the general power and control wheel
2. Understand deaf women's struggles within the deaf community, and how they differ from hearing survivors' struggles
3. Examine the difficulties that DDBDDHH individuals face when trying to receive services for domestic violence and sexual assault, and how the lack of knowledge by hearing individuals can affect their reception of services

What You Should Expect from an Effective On-Scene Investigation

Mark Wynn

Through the use of interactive participation, case studies, and re-enactments, attendees will view domestic incidents and crime scenes through the eyes of the investigating officer. Upon completion of this webinar, attendees will understand the five objectives of an on-scene investigation, interviewing techniques, victim behaviors, and offender motivation.

Learning Objectives

1. Understand the five objectives of an on-scene investigation
2. Discuss the various types of interviewing techniques, and learn which ones are most effective

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3. Gain insight into both victim behavior and offender motivation

When Predators Take Flight: What We Can Learn from Sexual Assault Cases at 30,000 Feet

Scott Hampton

This webinar will take a birds-eye view of sexual assault by examining actual cases that occurred at 30,000 feet in order to highlight common dynamics that occur in the majority of sexual assaults, whether on land or in the air, including: offender tactics, barriers to reporting, victim blame, drug-facilitated assaults, the role of first responders and other members of a sexual assault response team, bystander intervention, jurisdictional ambiguities, cross-cultural variations, the intersection with human trafficking, investigative components, and prevention strategies. The presenter will discuss how insights from and for the airline industry can be applied to any environment in which sexual assaults are both common and easily missed (e.g., in colleges, correctional facilities, bars and nightclubs, and other forms of mass transportation).

Learning Objectives:

1. Describe how perpetrators exploit their environments to select, acquire, and abuse their targets as well as avoid accountability for the abuse
2. Explain the barriers potential victims face in their attempts to avoid, deter, and escape perpetrators
3. Define the roles of, and necessary collaboration among, members of a sexual assault response team including bystander intervention
4. Generate recommendations for the airline industry to enhance sexual safety while inflight, similar to those already created for college campuses, correctional facilities, the workplace and the military

Where There is Dark, There is Light: Exploring the Online Universe

Myra Strand, Russell Strand

The online universe, including its darkest corners, is vast and rapidly expanding. Pornography represents 35% of all internet downloads, and the majority is highly toxic. Online gaming is literally changing the neurobiological landscape of our children's minds, where often cyberbullying and microaggressions are normalized within very sexist story lines. However, where there is dark, there is light. Vulnerability, empathy, and human-centric concepts are slowly becoming expectations of online interaction. There is wide conversation around loneliness and how to increase authentic, healthy connection. Innovative thinkers are busy finding creative solutions to massive problems such as environmental degradation, violence, poverty, and the depression of the soul. This webinar will explore the implications of both sides of the spectrum. The presenters will make the case that there is still the possibility that we can create a world—even, and maybe especially, online—where trauma is met with compassion and healing.

Learning Objectives:

1. Discuss the implications of technology: pornography, online gaming, online dating, robots, driverless cars, 5G, data encryption
2. Understand the movements around human connection, vulnerability and empathy
3. Apply strategies to increase the positive influence of technology while decreasing the negative

Witness Intimidation: Eliminating the Payoff

Jane Anderson, Dalia Racine

Coercive control asserted in the course of an abusive or exploitative relationship rarely ends when an arrest is made. Intimidation tactics often prevent victims from identifying as such and discourage them from participating in the justice system. To overcome these challenges, keep victims safe, and achieve justice in these cases requires robust collaboration between criminal justice professionals and the community-based programs that serve victims. This webinar will introduce prosecution strategies to minimize opportunities for intimidation, identify it when it occurs, preserve and make effective use of evidence of intimidation, and aggressively prosecute intimidation-related crimes.

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Learning Objectives:

1. Identify how witness intimidation is likely to occur in domestic violence and human trafficking cases
 2. Preserve and admit evidence of intimidation
 3. Use evidence of witness intimidation to enhance prosecutions
 4. Collaborate with allied professionals to maintain victim safety and achieve justice
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SPEAKERS:

Miiko Anderson

Fresno Co. District Attorney's Office

Miiko Anderson is a Senior Deputy District Attorney (SDDA) and Certified Criminal Specialist at the Fresno County District Attorney's Office. As a Specialty Unit Prosecutor, she prosecutes Gang, Domestic Violence, Sexual Assault, and Human Trafficking cases. SDDA Anderson also leads the Fresno County District Attorneys Human Trafficking Task Force, which is comprised of multiple law enforcement agencies including FBI, Homeland Security, and U.S. Attorney's Office. SDDA Anderson is also an Adjunct Law School Professor, teaching Human Trafficking Law and Policy, a course she developed to educate the newest members of the legal community. She also serves on the Board of Directors for Breaking the Chains, a non-profit organization dedicated to providing resources to survivors of human trafficking.

Justin Boardman

Boardman Training & Consulting

Justin Boardman is a retired detective who served with the West Valley City Police Dept. in Utah. Det. Boardman was assigned to the Special Victims Unit for seven years. During that time, he conducted nearly 300 forensic child and 140 adult victim interviews. Det. Boardman has co-authored a Trauma-Informed Victim Interview protocol for adult victims of trauma.

Heidi Bonner

East Carolina University

Heidi Bonner is an associate professor in the Dept. of Criminal Justice at East Carolina University. Dr. Bonner's research focuses on the administration of the criminal justice process with an emphasis on police decision making and the effects of policies and programs on police operations, including intervention in intimate partner violence. She is a senior fellow at the John F. Finn Institute for Public Safety (Albany, NY) and serves on the Institute's Board of Trustees as well as the Board of Directors for the Center for Family Violence Prevention (Greenville, NC).

Grant Bradford

Fresno Police Dept.

Grant Bradford is a detective for the Fresno Police Dept. for over 10 years. Det. Bradford is currently assigned to the Vice Unit and is tasked with investigation of complex human trafficking cases.

Larry Braunstein

Braunstein & Zuckerman, Esqs.

Lawrence Braunstein is a partner in the law firm of Braunstein & Zuckerman, Esqs., in White Plains, New York, and an adjunct professor of Law at Hofstra University Law School in Hempstead, New York. Mr. Braunstein serves on the faculty of the NYPD Sex Crimes and Child Abuse Investigation Course and Homicide Investigator Course. He has conducted hundreds of trainings with police departments across the U.S., with the FBI Behavioral Analysis Units, and with police agencies in England, Scotland, Wales, and South Africa.

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Carvana Cloud

Community Empowerment Solutions

Carvana Cloud is the executive director of Community Empowerment Solutions, a legal services collaborative designed to support and empower victims and communities affected by crime. As a former prosecutor, Ms. Cloud structured and managed the Special Victims Bureau of the Harris Co. District Attorney's Office, which prosecutes crimes of interpersonal violence. She is committed to improving public safety by envisioning innovative strategies designed to ensure victim safety and offender accountability specifically in regards domestic violence, sexual assault, and human trafficking crimes. Ms. Cloud's litigation experience informed the creation

John Guard

Pitt Co. Sheriff's Office

John Guard is employed by the Pitt Co. Sheriff's Office in Greenville, NC, and has over 27 years of experience including: line level response, investigative response, first and second level supervision, and agency management. For over two decades, he has specialized in investigating domestic violence cases. Chief Dep. Guard has been instrumental in developing policies and procedures related to domestic violence response. He has experience in facilitating legislative and judicial change as it relates to responding to victims of domestic violence and has implemented several innovative programs designed to increase victim safety and offender accountability. Chief Dep. Guard provides training to officers and allied professionals on issues pertaining to domestic violence and offender accountability on the local, state, and national level. He is also an experienced consultant who shares his experience and knowledge with communities across the country seeking to improve their response to victims of domestic violence.

Leslie Hagen

Dept. of Justice

Leslie Hagen serves as the Department of Justice's (DOJ) first National Indian Country Training coordinator. In this position, Ms. Hagen is responsible for planning, developing, and coordinating training in a broad range of matters relating to the administration of justice in Indian Country. Ms. Hagen started with the DOJ as an assistant U.S. attorney in the Western District of Michigan. She was assigned to Violent Crime in Indian Country handling federal prosecutions and training on issues of domestic violence, sexual assault, and child abuse affecting the 11 federally-recognized tribes in the Western District of Michigan. Prior to joining the DOJ, Ms. Hagen served as an assistant prosecuting attorney and elected prosecuting attorney in Michigan. Ms. Hagen has worked on criminal justice issues related to child abuse, domestic violence, and sexual assault for over 30 years.

Scott Hampton

Ending the Violence

Scott Hampton has been working with batterers, sex offenders, victims, and child witnesses for 30 years. Dr. Hampton is the director of Ending the Violence, a Dover, NH-based organization that provides educational classes to perpetrators of domestic and sexual violence. He is also the project coordinator for Strafford Co.'s Supervised Visitation Center. Dr. Hampton writes and speaks frequently on issues related to interpersonal violence. He spends much of his time consulting with other professionals on the handling of domestic and sexual violence cases, conducting workshops, and testifying in court as an expert witness in interpersonal violence-related cases. Dr. Hampton is a past president of the National Supervised Visitation Network, a peer reviewer for the U.S. Dept. of Justice, and has been serving on NH's Domestic Violence Fatality Review Committee since its inception in the late 1990s.

Amy Herman

The Art of Perception

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Amy Herman is a lawyer and art historian who uses works of art to sharpen observation, analysis, and communication skills. Through interactive analysis of paintings, sculptures, and photographs, Ms. Herman demonstrates how improving visual literacy can refresh one's sense of critical inquiry, hone the skills necessary for improved performance and effective leadership, and reveal biases, assumptions, and blind spots that impede optimal decision making. Ms. Herman developed her Art of Perception seminar in 2000 to improve medical students observation and communication skills with their patients when she was the Head of Education at The Frick Collection in New York City. She subsequently adapted the program for a wide range of professionals and currently leads sessions internationally for the New York City Police Dept. the FBI, the French National Police, the Dept. of Defense, the State Dept., Fortune 500 companies, first responders, the military, and the intelligence community. The program has been featured in The New York Times, The Wall Street Journal, The CBS Evening News, and Smithsonian Magazine, among others. Her TED talk, "A Lesson in Looking", went live in December 2018.

Rochelle Keyhan

Collective Liberty

Rochelle Keyhan is the CEO of Collective Liberty, where she develops and executes the organization's strategic direction and collaborations focused on disrupting specific types of human trafficking, including recruiting and maintaining robust collaborative networks of law enforcement, agency stakeholders, and service providers. Prior to founding Collective Liberty, Ms. Keyhan was a prosecutor for six years in the Philadelphia Family Violence and Sexual Assault Unit, and then director of the Disruption Strategies Dept. at Polaris, where she led the creation of the largest dataset in the U.S. on a specific type of trafficking. That type was illicit massage business trafficking, and she and her team have spent the past three years supporting over 100 jurisdictions in 36 states developing their intelligence-driven, victim-centered closure of over 1,000 massage parlors. Ms. Keyhan's team is building similar datasets and providing this support across multiple types of sex and labor trafficking in the U.S.

Lou Luba

Connecticut Division of Criminal Justice – Windham State's Attorney's Office

Lou Luba is a senior assistant state's attorney in Connecticut. Mr. Luba has been a prosecutor for over 24 years and is currently the Major Crimes (Part A) prosecutor for the Windham Judicial District, as well as one of Connecticut's subject matter experts on computer-related crime focusing on child exploitation cases. He has been one of Connecticut's leading prosecutors on sexual assaults and computer exploitation and a staunch advocate for victims and victim's rights throughout his career. Mr. Luba is a founding member of Connecticut's first Sexual Assault Response Team and is a POST certified trainer on sexual assaults and rape crisis. Mr. Luba handled the prosecution of State v. Christopher Lamb, which involved the illegal distribution of intimate images and "sextortion" of 20 female victims over a four year period. Previously, Mr. Luba served as an adjunct professor of Criminal Justice at Central Connecticut State University.

Carla Manuel

Harris Co. Attorney's Office

Carla Manuel is the director of Human Trafficking Intelligence for the Harris Co. District Attorney's Office (HCDAO) and has almost 20 years of experience in strategic, operational, and tactical intelligence. Ms. Manuel directs, supervises, and oversees the human trafficking investigations developed out of the HCDAO. In 2002, she was commissioned into the U.S. Army as an Intelligence Officer. A two-time combat veteran, she is the recipient of the Bronze Star Medal for her contribution to the successful targeting, investigation, apprehension, and prosecution of over 150 high-valued terrorists. Ms. Manuel started her career in law enforcement support in June 2011, working as a Criminal Intelligence Analyst for the Houston Police Dept. Gang Task Force, where she honed her skills in analyzing mid to high-level gangs and cartels. On April 2014, she was promoted to the Houston Police Dept. Vice Division as a staff analyst. In December 2017, Ms.

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Manuel accepted the position of director of Human Trafficking Intelligence within the Harris Co. District Attorney's Office and continues to serve the military as a lieutenant colonel in the U.S. Army Reserves.

Kelsey McKay

McKay Training & Consulting, LLC

Kelsey McKay is the president of RESPOND Against Violence and McKay Training & Consulting, LLC. Ms. McKay trains and consults nationally to strengthen how communities collaborate, investigate, and prosecute strangulation, sexual violence, and intimate partner violence cases. She develops experts to testify and trains on the implementation of a strangulation supplement and community collaboration. Previously, Ms. McKay was a prosecutor in Travis County, TX for 12 years. For six years, she exclusively prosecuted strangulation-related crimes ranging from assault to capital murder.

Rocio Molina

National Immigrant Women's Advocacy Project

Rocío Molina, Deputy Director for the National Immigrant Women's Advocacy Project at American University Washington College of Law, and is an immigration attorney serving immigrant survivors for over 12 years. Ms. Molina provides legal counsel, research, technical assistance, and training for the benefit of immigrant victims of domestic violence, sexual assault, and human trafficking. She also serves as expert faculty and education coordinator for law enforcement, prosecutors, and advocates on U visa and language access. Ms. Molina leads NIWAP's bimonthly Roundtables for law enforcement and prosecutors and Community of Practice for family law attorneys. Prior to joining the NIWAP team, Ms. Molina worked with the Wisconsin Coalition Against Domestic Violence, where she represented hundreds of immigrant victims seeking immigration relief. She is also a founding board member of the Community Immigration Law Center (CILC), a free walk-in clinic in Madison, WI.

Nancy Oglesby

Justice 3D

Nancy Oglesby is a co-founder of Justice 3D, a company that offers training and consulting to allied professionals nationally on issues of child abuse, domestic violence, and sexual assault. Ms. Oglesby has been a career prosecutor in Virginia for over 20 years. She is currently Virginia's Domestic and Sexual Violence Resource prosecutor. Ms. Oglesby has handled thousands of domestic violence, child abuse, and sexual assault cases. Additionally, she has provided training on these issues to many professionals including prosecutors, law enforcement officers, advocates, medical professionals, and forensic interviewers. She has also served a key role in the development of Virginia's model law enforcement policies related to domestic and sexual violence.

Allie Phillips

Sheltering Animals & Families Together

Allie Phillips is an author, attorney, and advocate for protecting vulnerable victims. She is the founder & CEO of the Sheltering Animals & Families Together (SAF-T) Program, the first and only global initiative helping domestic violence shelters to create on-site pet housing. Ms. Phillips is a former prosecuting attorney who has worked for the National District Attorney's Association as the founder/director of the National Center for Prosecution of Animal Abuse and deputy director of the National Center for Prosecution of Child Abuse. She was the vice president of Public Policy and vice president of Human-Animal Strategic Initiatives for American Humane Association. With over 25 years of experience in helping animal and human survivors of abuse, Ms. Phillips has been educating criminal justice professionals since 1997.

Julie Pleasant

Houston Police Dept.

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Julie Pleasant is a lieutenant with the Houston Police Department with over 23 years of law enforcement experience. She currently serves as the director over HPD's Victim Services Unit. During her tenure, she has overseen the Unit's growth from less than twelve advocates to staff of over thirty advocates, police officers, supervisors, and administrative staff. She is also a founding member of the Harris County Domestic Abuse Response Team (DART) and responsible for ensuring DART field teams deliver trauma-informed care to crime victims. Lt. Pleasant is active in the Harris County District Attorney's Domestic Violence High Risk Team, the Houston Area Council on Human Trafficking, and the Houston Collective Healing Project Team.

Colin Ross

The Colin A. Ross Institute for Psychological Trauma

Colin A. Ross, M.D. is the author of 32 books and over 230 peer-reviewed papers. He is a Past President of the International Society for the Study of Trauma and Dissociation. He consults to hospital-based Trauma Programs at Univ. Behavioral Health Hospital in Denton, Texas and at two additional programs in Michigan and California. Dr. Ross has spoken widely nationally and internationally.

Joseph Scaramucci

McLennan Co. Sheriff's Office

Joseph Scaramucci is a detective with the McLennan County Sheriff's Office, investigating crimes against persons. Since initiating investigations in human trafficking in 2014, Det. Scaramucci has participated in John Suppression events, arresting over 450 sex buyers with his partner in a period of eight months. In the last three years, he has conducted sting operations resulting in the arrest of approximately 125 individuals for trafficking and related offenses, which led to the recovery of approximately 215 trafficking victims and seizure of more than \$300,000 in currency and assets. Det. Scaramucci has worked both state and federal investigations as a task force officer with Homeland Security Investigations, which has led to investigations and arrests throughout the U.S. and Canada. He has also led and trained numerous agencies throughout the U.S. on how to conduct these operations, along with operations targeting illicit massage parlors. Det. Scaramucci is certified in Courts of Law as a subject matter expert in trafficking. He is further employed as a consultant for Polaris, Collective Liberty, and the International Association of Chiefs of Police.

Johna Stallings

Harris Co. District Attorney's Office

Johna Stallings is the chief of trafficking and sex crimes for the Harris Co. District Attorney's Office. Previously, Ms. Stallings handled numerous violent and child related crimes before opening her own criminal practice in 2001. From 2001 to 2008, she worked with the mentally disabled and others with addiction or mental health issues. Ms. Stallings returned to prosecution in 2008 in Victoria Co., Texas where she was in charge of a district court and later became first assistant for several years.

Myra Strand

Strand Squared

Myra Strand is the chief servant leader of Strand Squared, where she provides training and education in person and online. Ms. Strand also provides consultation and agency support in the areas of trauma and response. Last year, Strand Squared provided educational services to over 30,000 professionals. Ms. Strand began working with people who live with trauma in 1995. She has experience working with youth who have complex trauma and/or serious mental illness, people with developmental disabilities, youth in competing war zones, offenders, death notification, and victims of all crime types.

Russell Strand

Consultant

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Russell Strand is a retired Senior Special Agent (SSA) and the founder and owner of Russell Strand Consulting, LLC. SSA Strand is also the creative visionary for Strand Squared, LLC. He provides consultation, systems auditing, training, education, and assistance to agencies and service providers around the world. As a career law enforcement professional, trainer, educator, writer, and consultant, SSA Strand has distinguished himself as an integral member of the criminal justice community and is widely recognized for his contributions to the field. He was selected by the Secretary of Defense to serve on the Congressionally-mandated Response Systems to Adult Sexual Assault Committee as a member of the Comparative Systems Subcommittee. SSA Strand was also inducted into the U.S. Army Military Police Regimental Hall of Fame.

John Trenary

SEARCH

John Trenary is a High-Tech Crime training instructor for SEARCH. Det. Trenary coordinates and provides training on high-tech crime investigations to local, state, and federal justice and public safety agencies. Det. Trenary is a Cybercrimes Detective/Digital Forensic Examiner in the Linn County, OR Sheriff's Office, where he manages the offices' Digital Forensics Laboratory.

Lauren Wagner

SEARCH

Lauren Wagner is a High-Tech Crime training specialist in the High-Tech Crime Training Services department of SEARCH, where she performs tasks related to training local, state and federal agencies on computer technology issues with criminal justice applications. Ms. Wagner is a recognized national expert on the role that social networking websites can play in law enforcement investigations, and routinely provides technical assistance to law enforcement agencies in active cases.

Mark Wynn

Wynn Consulting

Mark Wynn is a national trainer to police executives, patrol officers, training officers, prosecutors, judges, legislators, social service providers, healthcare professionals and victim advocates in all 50 states for over 30 years. Lt. Wynn is an international lecturer at police academies in Australia, Canada, Germany, England, Northern Ireland, Russia, the Republic of Mauritius, the Republic of Georgia, the Federated States of Micronesia, Aruba, China, the Islands of the Bahamas, Brazil, Turkey, Cyprus, Singapore, the Republic of Namibia, the Republic of Ghana, and the Republic of Moldova. Lt. Wynn is a Fulbright specialist for the Department of State and is a survivor, enabling him to teach both effectively and passionately. He is devoted to ending domestic/sexual, elder and child abuse as a police officer, detective, educator, program supervisor and now consultant and advisor.