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Happy New Year!

January 2009 Newsletter

Please distribute per your office protocol

- Important Dates
- Granddaughter Pool – and the winner is...
- Non-Expert Services Available
- FAQs – Recorded Interviews

IMPORTANT DATES

JAN – 01st & 02nd (closed) New Years

09th (training) – Colorado Criminal Defense Bar – Investigator Core Knowledge

19th (closed) – Martin Luther King Jr. Holiday

13th & 14th (training) – Canceled due to schedule conflict

FEB – 16th (closed) Presidents Day

GRANDDAUGHTER POOL

We are very proud to announce that our first grandchild thrilled us on 12/29/2008 at 7:25pm! Jacee Sue Sobesky weighed 6lbs 6oz and measured 19". We are very excited!

And the winners are...the parents, Jeberly and Scott, by default. 12/29 was not picked – from 12/18 to 01/01 only 12/19, 12/25, 12/29 and 01/01) were not picked.

NON-EXPERT SERVICES

One common issue with both civil and criminal cases is adequately evaluating evidence to determine its validity and use. Often, hiring an expert can be cost prohibitive or, after the cost is absorbed, the expert findings are contrary to the intended purpose. Since 2000 I have received hundreds of hours of training and thousands of hours of experience in fingerprints, bloodstain / spatter, incident scene investigation, forensic photography, injuries and causation, autopsy protocols, and evidence collection, to list the most commonly requested tasks. As a non-expert, but working towards that goal in some areas, I can offer an opinion based upon my extensive training and experience, including as an investigator and forensic autopsy assistant at the medical examiner's office.

Contact me to review of your photographs, statements and other evidence to assist in affirming your position, confirming the opposition's contention, or recommending a new direction to pursue the evidence and/or your case. With the goal of finding the facts, which includes either supporting or contradicting the evidence put before us, this can be a valuable tool.

Focusing on my experience at the medical examiner's office from 2003-2008:

- Primary Investigator for over 150 death scenes
- Assisted with approximately 400 autopsies

- Investigated nearly 600 additional non-autopsied cases
- Investigated and reviewed over 1,100 additional cases in training, as the backup investigator, or in cases not taken for jurisdiction
- Over 5,000 hours of experience specific to death investigation, injuries, negligence and causation
- 1200 hours of general and forensic investigative specific training in multiple disciplines

Karen has similar training and experience in death investigation, with the added benefit of her social work education and experience. We also maintain a list of qualified experts that we have worked extensively with. In many cases we can refer your assignment to an expert for review and analysis. As your investigators our goal is to provide the most comprehensive investigative services for you and your client.

FAQs

Are interviews recorded and transcribed?

Yes, we make every effort to record every personal and telephone interview. There are exceptions, such as the rare occasion when a witness returns our call and the timing is just not right. If it is a non-critical witness the interview may go forward and a summary report issued. A priority is to record the interviews of all endorsed, or potentially endorsed, witnesses. I am presently testing an automated telephone recording system and call identification system.

Our preference is to conduct interviews in-person. This allows us to identify the witness for future needs, observe body language and personality, as well as develop an area of trust with them for future needs, even with opposing witnesses. In-person interviews will cost more due to travel time and expenses, but are well justified. In the event that time and distance, or their schedule, are not conducive to in-person interviews, we will conduct telephone interviews.

Every recorded interview is transcribed verbatim and every non-recorded interview is summarized in a separate report. As these are completed the interviews are summarized and referenced in our ongoing case and supplemental reports. The transcription charge follows an industry average of \$4 per page with a turn around time goal of five working days.

We are available 24/7 for your investigative needs and provide no-fee consultations.

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Sincerely,



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