



Investigations Council January 2007

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Chairman's Comments

Welcome to the new Council year. 2007 will be a busy year for the Investigations Council. We are working on a pre-seminar training session to be conducted with the Economic Crimes Council in Las Vegas in September. We also plan to produce another Virtual Forum focusing on Corporate Investigations. We also strive to keep topics of interest to professional investigators available and to champion reform on investigative matters as we surface them. And, of course, we continue to advocate for the Professional Certified Investigator (PCI) Examination and work with the Professional Certification Board to keep the PCI Exam on the cutting edge.

Investigations Council Supports PCI Exam

The Professional Certified Investigator certification is a technical designation awarded to those individuals whose primary responsibilities are to conduct investigations and who have demonstrated in-depth operational knowledge and competence in this area and who successfully complete the PCI Examination. Members of the Investigations Council were instrumental in working with the Professional Certification Board to create the Professional Certified Investigator designation. Council Members gathered in Atlanta, GA for the first Question Writing Session and participated in the first Pass / Point Evaluation of the PCI Exam in Las Vegas, NV. Council members have subsequently worked with the PCB to keep the PCI Exam fresh by writing new questions and measuring the viability of the PCI Exam.

Investigations and Economic Crimes Council to Present Pre-Seminar Session in Las Vegas

A cooperative effort between the Investigations Council and the Economic Crimes Council will be seen on the Sunday prior to the Annual Seminar in Las Vegas when these two councils join to present a one-day pre-seminar session entitled "Cyber-Economic Crimes – The Next Level" for investigators around the world. A slate of investigative professionals has been identified to present cutting edge information in the world of investigating economic crimes. Talk to Investigations Council member Peter Psarouthakis Economic Crimes Council Chair Mike Osborne for details.

Investigations Council Builds Links to Professional Investigative Associations

The investigations professionals who are members of the Investigations Council are also members of other professional investigative associations and work tirelessly to build links between professional investigative associations. Many Investigations Council members are Certified Fraud Examiners and affiliated with the Association of Certified Fraud Examiners (ACFE). Many members are also associated with the National Council of Investigation and Security Services (NCISS) and work on legislative issues of import to all investigators along with the NCISS team. Other members are part of the National Association of Legal Investigators (NALI) and the World Association of Detectives (WAD). One member of the Investigations Council is also the Executive Director of IntelNet. Please visit the Investigations Council webpage at www.asisonline.org for more information and links to these professional investigative associations.

Meet Investigations Council Members in Las Vegas at the Networking Luncheon Table

Every year members of the Investigations Council attend the ASIS International Annual Seminar and staff a Networking Luncheon table to provide an opportunity for ASIS members to discuss investigative philosophy and practice as well as to explore membership on the Investigations Council. This year, Council members will staff a Networking Luncheon table at the Annual Seminar in Las Vegas, NV and will be on hand to answer your questions about the Council.

Investigations Council Mission

Promotes ethical and thorough investigations by private, corporate, and government investigators by providing analyses of emerging investigative technology and techniques in the global investigative arena.

Interested In Joining the Investigations Council?

The Investigations Council currently has a full complement of fifteen professional investigators. If you would like information about the Investigations Council or if you would like to be considered for membership on the Investigations Council as vacancies occur, please contact Council Vice Chair and Membership Committee Chair Marty Bishop, CPP at mbishop@kcc.com for details. We are a working Council and all members are expected to remain actively engaged to maintain membership.



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