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## “Professional Recognition”



**Ronald E. Grimes, CPP**  
Project Manager  
Coastal International Security, Inc.  
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**Industry:** Contract Security Services & Consulting

**Education:** BS Administration of Justice

**Years in Security:** 27

**Year Earned CPP:** 1997

**Year Joined ASIS:** 1989

**Why I pursued the CPP:** “I realized that the industry was moving toward professional recognition and I wanted to be a part of the new generation of security professionals. I knew that the CPP designation would become a standard hiring requisite for top security positions.”

**Value of the CPP:** “Security, law enforcement, and general industry professionals are immediately intrigued by a designation placed after a name on a business card, publication, or credits of contribution. The CPP designation will open many doors of opportunity to share the value and purpose of the certification. It will afford opportunities to envision a time when private security professionals are recognized by society on the same level as doctors, lawyers, academics, and other highly respected professionals. With “board certified” credentials, one’s expertise is held to a higher standard.”

**Achievements:** Mr. Grimes has been an active member of ASIS since 1989, when he left law enforcement service to pursue a new career in private industry. He has served as Chairman, Vice Chairman, and Police Liaison for the North Alabama Chapter, and has been recognized as the Security Professional of the Year, as well as Region XII’s CPP Distinguished Achievement Award winner for two consecutive years. Mr. Grimes also served as a volunteer consultant on risk management, volunteer corporate fundraiser, and guest speaker at several events. Other activities have included serving on the Alabama Model Code Committee for Domestic Violence; management of security and safety operations for Fortune 500 companies; overseeing of private security for government contracts; and providing consulting services for corporate international events.