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Probate / Estate Due Diligence Division

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Karen Beers selected Executive Director of NCISS

We are proud, and honored, to announce our own Karen Beers has been named by NCISS as their new Executive Director. We also give a very heartfelt Thank YOU to Carol Ward, who has retired - but not left us - after over 15 years as Executive Director.

See the full announcement at - www.DeathCaseReview.com/afi-llc-blog/karen-beers-selected-executive-director-of-nciss (<http://www.deathcasereview.com/afi-llc-blog/karen-beers-selected-executive-director-of-nciss>)



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Probate / Estate Due Diligence Division Heirs and Relatives Due Diligence Investigations

Based in Colorado - Available Nationwide to County Administrators and Probate Attorneys
This is not a contingency fee service and is for court appointed County Administrators or attorneys of record in estate probate matters.

It is our pleasure to formally introduce you to our team here at Associates in Forensic Investigations, LLC – a licensed, bonded and insured Rocky Mountain West agency. We have been brought in to probate cases to conduct research and investigations into cases in which the decedent had no known or identified relatives or history. These are an extension of our passion to bring answers and closures to families. Our goal for Heirs and Relatives Due Diligence

Investigations is to unite unknown families and decedents, while providing required information for the distribution of any estate assets. These services are not for commission or contingency based services – we are not ‘heir hunters’ and do not accept commissions.

Visit www.DeathCaseReview.com/afi-llc-blog/heirs-and-relatives-due-diligence-investigations (<http://www.deathcasereview.com/afi-llc-blog/heirs-and-relatives-due-diligence-investigations>) for details

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Welcome!

Beginning December 2016 we are posting our newsletters here. It will take a couple months to transition our archived newsletters to here. Please email us with any questions and suggestions - associates@DeathCaseReview.com (mailto:associates@DeathCaseReview.com)



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(<https://www.facebook.com/4N6Associates>)
Keep up with news of our agency and profession!

Updates to Agency Information and Principal CVs

We have recently updated information on our primary agency website for services, forms, and CVs.

- About Us - www.DeathCaseReview.com/about-us.html (<http://www.deathcasereview.com/about-afi.html>)
- Our Services - www.DeathCaseReview.com/our-services.html (<http://www.deathcasereview.com/our-services.html>)
- Dean's CV - <http://dab-cv.DeathCaseReview.com> (<http://dab-cv.deathcasereview.com>)
- Karen's CV - <http://ksb-cv.DeathCaseReview.com> (<http://ksb-cv.deathcasereview.com>)



Associates in Forensic Investigations LLC

Rocky Mountain West Agency owned by Dean A. Beers, CLI CCDI CFI-FTER and Karen S. Beers, BSW CCDI CFI-FTER.

We provide Expert Consultations and Legal Investigations of Personal Injury, Negligence & Death in Civil, Criminal and Probate litigation. We are Subject Matter Experts in Equivocal Death Investigation and Analysis, Medicolegal Investigations of Death and Serious Bodily Injury.

Based in the Rocky Mountain West, we provide expert consultations nationally. Learn details at www.DeathCaseReview.com (<http://www.deathcasereview.com>)

Commentary from the blog archives of AFI-LLC

www.DeathCaseReview.com/afi-llc-blog.html

(<http://www.deathcasereview.com/afi-llc-blog.html>)

Keep up with the current events of our agency and profession through our blog. Dating back to the fall of 2011, there are dozens of articles, tips and resources for professional investigators.



(<http://www.deathcasereview.com/afi-llc-blog.html>)

September is Suicide Prevention Month (08/14/2014)

For those suffering from issues leading to suicidal ideation, and their loved ones, suicide prevention is every day. Just hours before learning a celebrity's death, Dean posed this question on a social networking site - "If you were alerted that someone were actively expressing suicidal ideations - and acting on them - would you consider it an urgent matter or perhaps it could wait a couple weeks? If they were having altered mental status would that be a concern?"

-- continued at www.DeathCaseReview.com/afi-llc-blog/september-is-suicide-prevention-month (<http://www.DeathCaseReview.com/afi-llc-blog/september-is-suicide-prevention-month>)

Importance of Photography in Equivocal Death Investigations (09/13/2014)

Our role as medicolegal death investigators includes reviewing cases for other professional investigators, attorneys and families. They may question the evidence or investigative protocol - they ultimately question the Manner of Death - Natural, Accident, Suicide, Homicide and Undetermined - most often suicide. They may question the Cause of Death - the specific actions, but not often.

-- continued at www.DeathCaseReview.com/afi-llc-blog/importance-of-photography-in-equivocal-death-investigations

Elevating Investigations Using Daubert and Frye Standards (09/22/2014)

As an alternating regular contributor, this issue has Dean's article 'Elevating Investigations using Daubert and Frye Standards' is included. BUT - this is probably one of the BEST issues to date. 110% of the articles are top-notch!

-- continued at www.DeathCaseReview.com/afi-llc-blog/elevating-investigations-using-daubert-and-frye-standards (<http://www.DeathCaseReview.com/afi-llc-blog/elevating-investigations-using-daubert-and-frye-standards>)

Originally published in *The Legal Investigator* - official magazine of The National Association of Legal Investigators - <http://www.bluetoad.com/publication/?i=223758> (<http://www.bluetoad.com/publication/?i=223758>)

Dean and Karen invited to join the Inner Circle of Investigators

There are now 37 members of ICI, with Dean and Karen being the only husband and wife members.

On September 26th we spoke to the group of Inner Circle Investigators by invitation. This annual conference was held at the Spence Law Firm in Jackson, WY (a/k/a Jackson Hole). On Saturday, along with fellow speaker Steve Gray (from AL), we were asked to stay for the members' only meeting and round table. The first order of business was to induct new members - surprised the three of us, a great honor.

-- continued at www.DeathCaseReview.com/afi-llc-blog/afi-llc-invited-to-join-the-inner-circle-of-investigators (<http://www.DeathCaseReview.com/afi-llc-blog/afi-llc-invited-to-join-the-inner-circle-of-investigators>)

Learn more about the Inner Circle of Investigators at www.InnerCircleofInvestigators.com (<http://www.InnerCircleofInvestigators.com>)



(<http://www.deathcasereview.com/affiliated-experts.html>)

Expert Forensic Consultant

Affiliations

We believe that medicolegal investigation and consultation is a team effort. Stephen Cina MD

Quick Links:

- About AFI-LLC (<http://www.deathcasereview.com/about-afi.html>)
- Death and Injury Causation (<http://www.deathcasereview.com/death-injury-causation.html>)
- AFI-LLC Blog (<http://www.deathcasereview.com/afi-llc-blog.html>)
- Affiliated Experts (<http://www.deathcasereview.com/affiliated-experts.html>)
- AFI-LLC in the Media (<http://www.deathcasereview.com/afi-llc-in-media.html>)
- Contact AFI-LLC (<http://www.deathcasereview.com/contact-us.html>)
- Investigative Resources (<http://amazon.privateinvestigations.org/>)
- Investigative Training (<http://www.deathcasereview.com/training.html>)



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Tools for the
Litigation Attorney and
Professional Investigator
(click images for details)

and Harold Schueler PhD are our agency affiliated experts in our respective fields offering our clients comprehensive medicolegal services.

Dr. Cina, based in Colorado, is the former Chief Medical Examiner of Cook County IL, and now provides contract and independent forensic autopsies and consultations.

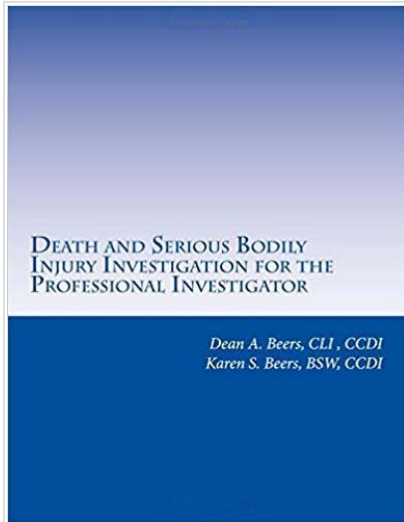
Dr. Schueler is now a professor at mid-Atlantic university, and is the former Chief Forensic Toxicologist of a large mid-Atlantic metropolitan area.

We are proud of our working relationship with Dr. Cina, since 2002 and Dr. Schueler since 2010. Contact our office to consult on medicolegal death and injury causation. The CVs of both Dr. Cina and Dr. Schueler are available by [Contacting Us](#)

Through our colleagues, we also offer direct referrals from our Affiliated Experts Referral Program! Each are available nationally.

- Forensic Nursing
- Forensic Photography
- Digital Forensics - Cell Phones
- Digital Forensics - Computers
- Digital Forensics - GPS / Vehicles
- Forensic Debugging / Technical Surveillance Countermeasures

Contact our office for more details and direct referrals!



(<https://fali.site-ym.com/store/ViewProduct.aspx?id=8948697>)



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"Death and Serious Bodily Injury Investigation for the Professional Investigator"

FALI is offering, for a limited time, our latest - and very detailed book (over 200 pages) on Investigating Death & Serious Bodily Injuries for civil or criminal cases, "Death and Serious Bodily Injury Investigation for the Professional Investigator," by Dean & Karen Beers.

These are for a limited time! The guide is under revision and will be released Spring 2018 for \$95 - save 1/3 off the price now at just \$70, including shipping with 50% net proceeds going to FALI!

<https://fali.site-ym.com/store/ViewProduct.aspx?id=8948697> (<https://fali.site-ym.com/store/ViewProduct.aspx?id=8948697>)

The manual is over 200 pages and begins with the core of the Beers's distance learning course manual. It includes over 20 additional forensic, death and serious bodily injury based articles.

Case Studies from AFI-LLC

[www.DeathCaseReview.com/sample-cases.html](http://www.deathcasereview.com/sample-cases.html)

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We are often asked about the types of traumatic injury and death cases we review - from family equivocal deaths to civil and criminal cases for attorneys and investigators. Each month we will present two previous cases - of hundreds - with a variety of circumstances, evidence, and conclusions.

Criminal Defense - Homicide and Injury Causation (Expert Consultation)

Our agency was retained by counsel on behalf of the defendant in this capital murder case. Assignments included to review the official records, reports and photographs and provide an opinion as to the fatal injury causation. At question was the type of weapon used and if the injuries are as described by reporting witnesses and if the death occurred as reported; specifically, actions of the assailant. Provided for review were over one hundred photographs, and several dozen pages of reports, records, and statements.

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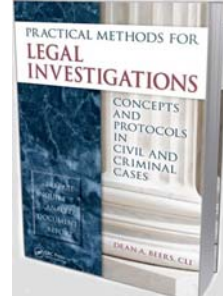
The decedent was in a night club and fatally stabbed multiple times. By report, two persons were witnessed to have been the assailants, one identified as the defendant. It was reported by witnesses that the co-assailant first pulled the decedent's shirt over his head, and at that time the defendant stabbed him multiple times. The defendant was charged with pre-meditated first degree murder.

A physical altercation is dynamic and involves a series of movements of the body that may or may not correspond to the movement of the



(<http://www.investigativecourses.com>)

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clothing, i.e. if the clothing is loose fitting or snug. As an example, pants and tucked in and/or buttoned shirts will more closely conform to the movements to the body; whereas unbuttoned or loose shirts will not. It was determined that the decedent's shirt was not pulled over in the manner described and remained the same general proximity during the altercation, with slight movement right of midline to the decedent's right (towards midline) and down; approximately 1" both directions.

The defendant was found guilty at jury trial of second degree murder.

Criminal Defense - Homicide and Injury Causation (Expert Consultation)

Our agency was retained by counsel on behalf of the defendant in this capital murder case. Assignments included to review the official records, reports and photographs and provide an opinion as to the circumstances of death. At question was if the injuries are as described by reporting witnesses and if the death occurred only as reported. Specifically, the number of weapons (reported to be one) and assailants, as well as assault activity. Provided for review were several hundred photographs, several thousand pages of reports, records, transcripts and statements, and several hours of interview audio.

The decedent was consensually picked up by a group from an outlaw motorcycle gang and went to the clubhouse to party. By report the decedent consumed alcohol and was disrespectful to members, resulting in physical assault and then transported to a remote location and left. It was variously reported that she unconscious and/or unresponsive when transported. She was found by passers-by in a decomposed state, clad in clothing last known to be seen in.

Independent investigation determined that both the official law enforcement investigation and death investigation were deficient in following standard protocols, from evidence collection to scene documentation. Witnesses provided different statements over the course of the investigation and multiple interviews. These statements were mixed and matched by law enforcement and prosecution to present one statement that purported to satisfy the theories of the crime and elements of the charges. However, multiple deficiencies were identified and presented.

In analyzing the decedent's injuries and defects in the clothing, it was determined that multiple weapons were used, to include a stiletto style dual sharp-edged, single sharp-edged with a distinct blunt/flat opposite edge blade, and ingle sharp-edged with a smaller or narrow opposite edge blade. The primary witness for the prosecution provided information that one weapon was used among multiple assailants, including himself. There were distinct locations of use of specific weapons. He further described specific injuries that were inconsistent with the analysis. Investigation also determined that the decedent was likely alive, possibly unconscious, at the time of transport and deceased when left at the remote location.

During jury selection, the defendant was offered, and accepted a plea, from 1st degree / death penalty to second degree.



(<http://www.deathcasereview.com/afi-llc-blog/time-is-money-multi-tasking-is-time-recovered>)

**Time
is
money
!
Learn
how we**

efficiently multi-task using these tools. Visit this article on our blog at www.DeathCaseReview.com/afi-llc-blog/time-is-money-multi-tasking-is-time-recovered (<http://www.deathcasereview.com/afi-llc-blog/time-is-money-multi-tasking-is-time-recovered>)!

- DropBox - <http://DropBox.PrivateInvestigations.org> (<http://dropbox.privateinvestigations.org/>)
- Right Inbox for Gmail - www.RightInBox.com (<http://www.rightinbox.com/>)
- Desktop Texting - www.MySMS.com (<http://www.mysms.com/>)
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- Toll-Free Numbers - <http://Kall8.PrivateInvestigations.org> (<http://kall8.privateinvestigations.org/>) (PIs - contact our office for more uses)
- Split View - www.SplitView.com (<http://www.splitview.com/>)

Be sure and also look for this article on this topic in *The Legal Investigator*, official journal of the National Association of Legal Investigators <http://www.bluetoad.com/publication/?i=495442> (<http://www.bluetoad.com/publication/?i=495442>)!

Our continued apologies - due to our heavy schedule, we are behind on finishing the latest Facts & Forensics podcast. We will have this ready this month! Please visit www.GIMG.tv (<http://www.gimg.tv/>) for a forensic investigation based article from us!



(<http://www.gimg.tv/>)

Global Investigators Media Group (GIMG.tv) Facts & Forensics

About every other month Dean host a podcast featuring topical information in the areas of legal investigations and forensic investigations. He is joined by his wife and business partner, Karen for 'Conversations with Karen' on special topics of interest. Dean closes each episode with a 'Special Guest' who is an expert in a forensic specialty. Tune in this, and every, month!

All shows are posted at <http://gimg.tv> (<http://gimg.tv/>) - the latest podcast topics include:

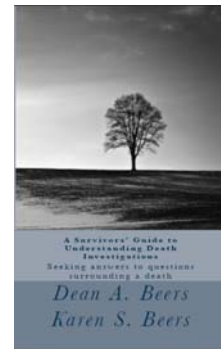
Conversations with Karen

Updates on trends and current events from our agency and profession!

Special Guest with Dean

This month - around the 15th of this month, we will be having our good friend and expert consultant (photography and GPS), Robert Wyman, tell us about his most current offering of Cell Phone Call and Tower Mapping!

- * Obtaining the subscriber's Call Detail Records via subpoena
- * Contacting the cellular telephone companies ("carriers")
- * Extracting usable data from the Call Detail Records
- * Mapping the cellular telephone towers which have hosted the calls with Google Earth or a mapping program
- * Advanced mapping of each call's directionality from a tower using a Computer Aided Drafting (CAD), mapping or diagramming program
- * Tabulating the Call Detail Records for additional analysis in Excel, including sorting records to uncover common telephone numbers and



(<http://www.understandingdeathinvestigations.com/>)

Buy the book - A Survivors' Guide to Understanding Death Investigations



(<http://www.privateinvestigations.org>)

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subscriber relationships

- * Preparing exhibits and illustrations of the call and tower analysis
- * Testimony regarding the accuracy and precision of the mapping effort



(<http://www.nciss.org/your-advocate-august-2018>)

Tidbits From Our Profession

Do you have news of your associations and members to share? Please let us know!

ASSOCIATION CONFERENCES

Texas Association of Licensed Investigators

August 22nd-25th - TALI 2018 Annual Conference in Lake Conroe TX.

Details at www.tali.org (<http://www.tali.org>)

Arizona Association of Licensed Private Investigators and Arizona Process Servers Association

September 07th-08th - Annual Conference in Mesa AZ

Details at www.aalpi.com/events/conference (<http://www.aalpi.com/events/conference>)

Professional Private Investigators Association of Colorado

September 14th-15th - PPIAC 2018 Rocky Mountain Private Investigators Conference in Breckenridge, CO

Details at [www.PPIAC.org](http://www.ppiac.org) (<http://www.ppiac.org>)

Minnesota Association of Private Investigators

September 26th-27th - Fall Conference in Morton MN

Details at www.MAPI.org (<http://www.MAPI.org>)

Osmosis

October 07th-09th - Osmosis Annual Conference in Las Vegas NV.

Details at www.OsmosisCon.com (<http://www.OsmosisCon.com>)

Indiana Society of Professional Investigators / Criminal Defense Investigators Training Council

October 26th-27th - Certification Training for Forensic Testimonial Evidence Recovery Method

Details at www.IndianalInvestigators.com (<http://www.IndianalInvestigators.com>)

World Association of Detectives

September 27th-Oct 1st - WAD Annual Conference in Las Vegas

Details at www.WAD.net/conferences-events (<http://www.WAD.net/conferences-events>)

National Council of Investigation & Security Services

Mid-Term Meeting will be held on November 08th, at the 2018 Investigators Superconference in NYC, NY

Details at www.NCISS.org (<http://www.nciss.org>)

2018 Investigators Superconference

November 08th-11th in New York City, NY

Registration for the NYC SuperConference is LIVE at: www.2018investigators.com/shop/ (<http://www.2018investigators.com/shop/>)

27 Speakers' profiles are posted, and can be viewed at: www.2018investigators.com/speakers/

(<http://www.2018investigators.com/speakers/>)

20 of the talks and panels are also described, at: www.2018investigators.com/schedule/

(<http://www.2018investigators.com/schedule/>)

It is recommended to register early and save \$100-\$150

Is your association planning a conference we can share? Email us the details - associates@DeathCaseReview.com!

Associations and News

We are dedicated ambassadors to our profession and work within several associations with others to continually protect and improve our profession and resources, as well as networking and continuing education opportunities.



(<http://www.ppiac.org/>)

Professional Private investigations Association of Colorado (www.PPIAC.org (<http://ppiac.org/>)) Monthly meetings, including a training speaker, are the first Wednesday of each month, usually in the Denver metro area. PPIAC continues to hold specialized training sessions for new and veteran investigators, and also specific to the new licensing program.

2018 Rocky Mountain Private Investigators Conference 09/13 to 09/16

Hosted by the Professional Private Investigators Association of Colorado

Go to <https://ppiac.org/event-2664804> for event details and to register - Join next month - time is closing in!

National Association of Legal Investigators (www.NALI.com (<http://www.nali.com/>))

NALI is the premier association for legal investigators for civil plaintiff and criminal defense, and oversees the prestigious Certified Legal Investigator (CLI) program. Experience is required to join and all members are subject to a background check.

Legal Investigators working cases for civil plaintiff or criminal defense - join the National Association of Legal Investigators!

(<http://nalionline.org/become-a-member> (<http://nalionline.org/become-a-member>) - please contact our office and use us as a reference on the application)

The current issue of NALI's official journal - The Legal Investigator - is now available online at www.nalionline.org/publications.htm (<http://www.nalionline.org/publications.htm>)

National Council of Investigation and Security Services ([www.NCISS.org](http://www.nciss.org) (<http://www.nciss.org/>))

Each day we find an increasing number of problems confronting the orderly growth of our profession. These problems include, among others: overly restrictive legislation regarding training and standards, proliferation of legislation requiring local licensing, public misunderstanding and misinformation on the role and contribution of private investigators and security services, and an uninformed media. It is the role of NCISS to meet and solve these problems while seeking to uncover and recommend action on any hidden potential problems which may have an effect on our profession.

Karen is the NCISS Executive Director, and oversees the day-to-day operations of the association and members, working closely with the Executive Committee and Board to advocate for the investigative and security professions.

The current issue of NCISS's official journal - Your Advocate - is available online at www.nciss.org/your-advocate (<http://www.nciss.org/your-advocate>)

Special news and alerts are at www.nciss.org/important-nciss-news (<http://www.nciss.org/important-nciss-news>)

World Association of Detectives (www.WAD.net (<http://www.wad.net/>))

W.A.D. is a global alliance of investigators and security professionals with origins dating back to 1921 and formalized in 1925. W.A.D. is the longest established and largest association of its kind in the world.

Karen is the W.A.D. Administrative Manager, and Dean is the Governor of the Americas (North, Central and South America). Together we work to further the mission of W.A.D. and provide resources to clients needing assistance in these regions.

The current issue of WAD's official newsletter - Beyond Global - is available online at www.wad.net/newsletters-beyond-global (<http://www.wad.net/newsletters-beyond-global>)

Additional memberships include FALI, TALI and CALI state associations, as well as specialty specific national associations (see right sidebar). *If your association has news, please send it to us for inclusion in our newsletter.*



(<http://www.deathcasereview.com/contact-us.html>)

News From Our Profession

A case of law and disorder

(contributed by Bill Elliott, CLI, CCDI – Elliott & Associates – NM)

The 2016 murder, rape and mutilation of 10-year-old Victoria Martens was so horrific that it captured the attention of the entire state. The girl was strangled after being sexually

assaulted. She was then dismembered, and her body was set on fire in the bathtub of the family's Northwest Albuquerque apartment. Fast forward 22 months, and the murder cases against two of the three suspects originally charged have collapsed, with a forensic psychiatrist saying the interrogation of Victoria's mother, on which the cases were based, was conducted improperly and yielded false admissions and contaminated statements. Indeed, District Attorney Raúl Torrez now says that much of what the public was told about the case is just plain wrong.

-- continued at www.abqjournal.com/1193938/a-case-of-law-and-disorder.html (<http://www.abqjournal.com/1193938/a-case-of-law-and-disorder.html>)

Criminal Defense Investigation Training Council (CDITC)

The Criminal Defense Investigation Training Council demands the highest standards of ethical and investigative excellence. We maintain that the investigator is an objective and impartial advocate of the truth. Our mission is to promote a fact driven investigation in support of due process and in defense of the 6th Amendment right to a fair trial. Do you have what it takes to be a warrior and seek the national designation of Board Certified Criminal Defense Investigator (CCDI)? Join the ranks of the elite! www.DefenseInvestigator.com (<http://www.defenseinvestigator.com>)

>> The National Defender Investigator Association will be holding their 2018 Regional Conference. CDITC National Director Brandon A. Perron, CCDI, CFI-FTER will be a speaker covering multiple topics. The annual event will be held September 4-6, 2018, at the Renaissance Fort Lauderdale Cruise Port Hotel, 1617 SE 17th St., Fort Lauderdale, FL 33316.

>> The Indiana Society of Professional Investigators is hosting training for forensic interviewing and certification in the Forensic Testimonial Evidence Recovery Method. Participants who complete the course successfully will earn the designation "CFI-FTER". The certification and test taking fee are included in the cost of tuition to attend the two-day training course. INspi President, Brandy Lord and Vice President, George Gergis have worked diligently to put together a great conference! The course is not limited to criminal defense investigators, it targets anyone interested in becoming certified in forensic interviewing and learning the methodology behind it. A discounted fee is available for INspi members and public defenders. Visit www.indianainvestigators.com for details and registration. For questions relating to training, contact (574) 288-5911.

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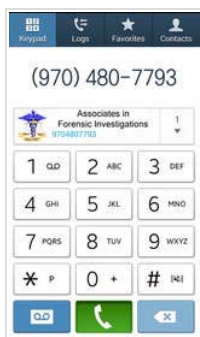
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