TITLE: “Lessons from False Confessions: Mitigating the Risk”

DURATION: 1 hour

DESCRIPTION:

A subject falsely confessing to a crime is a major contributing factor in approximately 30% of wrongful convictions. These confessions can lead to severe undeserved penalties and undermine the public’s faith in the criminal justice system. Investigators must be aware of notable risks and flawed tactics that contribute to these undesirable outcomes. Better results are realized when interviewers are aware of the risk factors and apply techniques designed to avoid them.

LEARNING OBJECTIVES:

At the conclusion of this presentation, participants will be able to:

1) Identify the traits/types of interviewees likely to provide false confessions;
2) Describe key false confession risk factors; and,
3) Apply techniques developed to limit false confessions.

PRESENTER BACKGROUND:

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