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## About Cyril H. Wecht

Cyril H. Wecht, M.D., J.D., is a forensic pathologist, attorney and medical-legal consultant.

## Education

Dr. Wecht received his medical degree from the University of Pittsburgh, and his law degree from the University of Maryland. Dr. Wecht is certified by the American Board of Pathology, in anatomic, clinical, and forensic Pathology, and is also a Fellow of the College of American Pathologists and the American Society of Clinical Pathologists.

## Academic Appointments

Cyril H. Wecht is a Clinical Professor at the University of Pittsburgh Schools of Medicine, Dental Medicine, and Graduate School of Public Health, and holds positions as an Adjunct Professor at the [Duquesne University School of Law](#), School of Pharmacy, and School of Health Sciences. He has served as President of the American College of Legal Medicine, the American Academy of Forensic Sciences, and served as Chairman of the Board of Trustees of the American Board of Legal Medicine and the American College of Legal Medicine Foundation. The author of more than 500 professional publications, Dr. Wecht is also an editorial board member of more than 20 national and international medical-legal and forensic scientific publications; editor of the five-volume set, Forensic Sciences (Matthew Bender); co-editor of the two and three-volume sets, Handling Soft Tissue Injury Cases and Preparing and Winning, Medical Negligence Cases (both published by Michie).

### **Medical-Legal Consultant**

Formerly the Chairman of the Department of Pathology at Saint Francis Central Hospital in Pittsburgh, Dr. Wecht is now the President of its medical staff and is actively involved as a medical-legal and forensic science consultant, author, and lecturer. Dr. Wecht has organized and conducted Postgraduate Medical-Legal Seminars in more than fifty countries throughout the world in his capacity as Director of the Pittsburgh Institute of Legal Medicine. He has performed approximately 14,000 autopsies and has supervised, reviewed or has been consulted on approximately 30,000 additional postmortem examinations.

### **Nationally Acclaimed Forensic Expert**

Being an expert in Forensic Medicine, Dr. Wecht has frequently appeared on several nationally syndicated programs discussing various medicolegal and forensic scientific issues, including medical malpractice, drug abuse, the assassinations of both President John F. Kennedy and Senator Robert F. Kennedy, the death of Elvis Presley, the O.J. Simpson case, and the JonBenet Ramsey cases. His expertise has also been utilized in high profile cases involving Mary Jo Kopechne, Sunny von Bulow, Jean Harris, Dr. Jeffrey McDonald, the Waco Branch Davidian fire, and Vincent Foster. A comprehensive study of these cases are discussed from the perspective of Dr. Wecht's own professional involvement in his books, *Cause of Death*, *Grave Secrets*, and *Who Killed JonBenet Ramsey?* (All published by Dutton/Penguin).



### **About Paul J. Ciolino**

Paul J. Ciolino is a lifelong resident of the Chicago area. Owner of Paul J. Ciolino Associates, LLC. specializes in complex criminal defense and fraud investigations. Ciolino's participation in wrongful conviction investigations has helped free five men from death row in Illinois. A stunning videotaped homicide confession that he obtained from a double murder suspect in February of 1999 has been seen on most major television outlets in the Western Hemisphere. He has been the subject of dozens of newspaper and magazine articles in the United States, Canada, Europe, South America and Australia. CBS News Anchor Dan Rather has called Ciolino "One of America's Top Five Investigators."

He is licensed in Illinois. He has earned a number of professional designations such as: Certified Fraud Examiner, Certified International Investigator, and Board Certified Forensic Examiner (Fellow). He has given dozens of speeches on a diverse array of investigative topics ranging from debunking experts, to investigative ethics, to child homicide, sexual abuse, repressed memories, and death penalty investigations. A seven-year U.S. Army veteran, and the former chief investigator of the child homicide team for the Illinois Department of Children & Family Services, he is an adjunct lecturer at the Medill School of Journalism at Northwestern University in Evanston, Illinois and Columbia College, Journalism Department in Chicago. He has also been a guest lecturer at Yale Law School. He was also one of the co-founders and primary instructors on investigative tactics at the first Conference on Wrongful Convictions and the Death Penalty held at Northwestern Law School in Chicago, Illinois.

Ciolino was the primary investigative advisor to the Innocence Projects at: Northwestern Law School, The Medill School of Journalism at Northwestern University, and DePaul University, Center for Justice in Capital Cases, College of Law, all in Chicago.

Ciolino is the author of *In The Company of Giants: The Ultimate Investigation Guide For Legal Professionals, Journalists & The Wrongly Convicted*. He is the co-author of the best selling and critically acclaimed textbook *Advanced Forensic Civil Investigations* published by Lawyers and Judges Publishing Company. He is also the co-author of *Advanced Forensic Criminal Defense Investigations* which was published in November of 1999.

His articles on investigative topics have been published worldwide. He is a three-time winner of NALI's annual Editor-Publisher Award for best articles published in their educational journal, The Legal Investigator. He appears regularly on FOX, CNN, MSNBC, as well as CBS, NBC, and ABC.

He is the 1999 "Dante Award" recipient, the first non-journalist to win this award that has been presented by The Joint Civic Committee of Italian Americans for the past twenty-nine years. The award is presented to an individual, "who is fearless in his pursuit of justice". Ciolino has also been awarded the first "Advocate for Justice Award" which is presented by the Illinois Attorneys for Criminal Justice, and the 1999 "Louisiana Investigator of the Year" award. In August of 1999 Ciolino was awarded the prestigious "International Investigator of the Year" award by The Council of International Investigators.

In 1999, Illinois Governor George Ryan issued the first ever moratorium on the death penalty in the United States after Ciolino obtained a video-taped confession in a 1981 double homicide case. As a result of that investigation and confession, Anthony Porter was released from death row in Illinois after having served eighteen years for a crime that he had not committed.

Ciolino is a past president of the National Association of Legal Investigators, Inc. (NALI), is on the Board of Directors for the Council of International Investigators, and is a past President and Life Member of the Special Agents Association in Chicago.



#### **ABOUT KELLY RIDDLE**

Mr. Riddle has more than 20 years experience and established Kelmar and Associates more than eighteen years ago in 1989. Prior to founding his own company, Mr. Riddle worked for two other private investigation companies including a nation-wide operation. In addition, Mr. Riddle worked in the insurance industry as an adjuster and an investigator. Kelmar and Associates conducts a variety of corporate and general investigations including counter-intelligence, workplace and general investigations.

**Prior Law Enforcement Experience:** Includes being a member of the SWAT Team, a Training Officer, Emergency Medical Technician, Evidence Technician, Arson Investigator, Traffic Investigator and Breathalyzer Operator.

**Education:** B.S. degree in Criminal Justice from the University of North Alabama.

- The National Assoc. of Investigative Specialists (NAIS) selected Mr. Riddle as the "Investigator of the Year"
  - Chosen the #1 PI in the U.S. by the PI Magazine
- Mr. Riddle has been listed as "One of the Top Surveillance Experts in the U.S. today" by NAIS.
- He has also been called "One of the Most Successful PI's in the State of Texas" by Thomas Publications.
  - His book, "The Art of Surveillance" was chosen as the "Best Book of the Year for Surveillance Investigations" by the NAIS
- Mr. Riddle has been designated an expert in "physical surveillance" and "insurance Investigations" by NAIS
- He is the founder of the Association of Christian Investigators and the PI Institute of Education
  - Member of: NAIS, TALI, ASIS, ACI, FAPI, GIN, LAPI, NALI, USAPI

Mr. Riddle is the founder and President of the Association of Christian Investigators (ACI) with almost 1,000 members in 45 states and 7 countries.



### **ABOUT JON GUTMACHER**

Jon H. Gutmacher criminal trial attorney whose office is located in the Central Florida region in the city of Orlando, Florida. He received a BBA from the University of Miami in 1969, and a Juris Doctor degree from New York Law School in 1972, where he served briefly on the Law Review, and also was awarded the American Jurisprudence Award for Trial Advocacy. While in law school he worked as Chief Law Clerk for the Union County (New Jersey) Prosecutor's Office where he wrote over 200 appellate briefs, including two to the United States Supreme Court. After graduating law school he moved to Florida, and served as an Assistant State Attorney in Broward County from 1973-1978. During that time he served as a misdemeanor prosecutor, head of the appellate section, and later a felony division lead prosecutor. After leaving the office, he went into private practice with various civil law firms, finally going out on his own.

Mr. Gutmacher was a member of the Appellate Court Rules Committee of The Florida Bar, and also served two terms as Chairman of the Traffic Court Rules Committee. He has written and lectured for CLE on such topics as Vehicular Manslaughter, Extraordinary remedies in criminal cases, and the Scientific Defenses in DUI cases; has coordinated and lectured on Police Misconduct in two seminars for Lorman Educational Services; and has been featured in several seminars on firearm and self defense issues. He also appeared on ABC Nightline with Ted Koppel on the subject of mercy killings, and was the featured guest on a cable television series on Second Amendment issues.

Jon H. Gutmacher is also the author of a leading treatise on Florida and Federal firearm and weapon laws, **FLORIDA FIREARMS - Law, Use & Ownership**. It has sold over 100,000 copies and is used extensively in the State of Florida. He is also an **NRA-certified** firearms instructor, and writes a monthly featured column for the Florida Sportsman's Gazette. While previously working in the State Attorney's Office, he served as a field legal advisor to a narcotics strike force, participating in numerous drug raids, and was also a referral attorney for the Florida Association of State Troopers. He has the honor of previously having been Board Certified in the area of Criminal Trial Practice, although that certification has expired.

Mr. Gutmacher is a member of The Florida Bar, Orange County Bar Association, Central Florida Criminal Defense Lawyers Association, Orange County Bar Judicial Relations Committee, NRA, and Gun Owners of America. He is authorized to practice before the United States Supreme Court, all Florida courts, the United States District Courts for the Southern and Middle District of Florida, and the Fifth and Eleventh Federal Circuit Courts of Appeal. He has tried before a jury as lead counsel: murder (death penalty), second degree murder, manslaughter, vehicular homicide, rape, kidnapping, robbery, burglary, grand theft, aggravated assault, aggravated battery, embezzlement, prostitution, DUI, criminal mischief, resisting arrest, domestic battery, carrying concealed weapons and firearms, illegal possession of machine guns and silencers, illegal importation of firearms, resisting arrest, indecent exposure, drug trafficking, and numerous other felony and misdemeanor cases. He has also tried several false arrest and malicious prosecution cases before the civil courts in the State of Florida. Mr. Gutmacher, as appellate counsel in Florida, has also handled numerous appeals before the Florida Supreme Court, District Courts of Appeal, Eleventh Circuit, and United States Supreme Court.



**ABOUT HENRY “HANK” N. DIDIER, JR.**

**Bar Admissions:**

State of Florida, 1995  
U.S. District Court Middle District of Florida, 1995  
U.S. District Court Northern District of Florida, 1999  
U.S. District Court Southern District of Florida, 1999

**Education:**

Duke University School of Law, Durham, North Carolina, 1995  
Doctor of Jurisprudence with Honors

Honors: Contributions Editor, Environmental Law and Policy Forum

Florida State University, Tallahassee, Florida, 1992  
Bachelor of Science  
Honors: Summa Cum Laude  
Major: Management  
Major: Multi-National Business

**Fraternities:**

Alpha Tau Omega

**Honors and Awards:**

AV Rated Attorney by Martindale-Hubbell, 2004 – Present  
Best of the Bar 2007 by Orlando Business Journal, November 2007  
2008 Florida Legal Elite by Florida Trend, July 2008  
Professional Associations and Memberships:  
Florida Bar, Member, 1995 – Present  
Orange County Bar Association, Member, 1996 – Present  
Florida Justice Association (formerly AFTL), Member, 2001 – Present  
American Association for Justice (formerly ATLA), Member, 2001 – Present  
Central Florida Trial Lawyers (CFTL), Member, 2003 – Present  
Million Dollar Advocates Forum, Member, 2005 – Present  
Florida Bar - Trial Lawyer Section, Member, 2007 – Present  
American Bar Association (ABA), Member, 2007 – Present  
Multi-Million Dollar Advocates Forum, Member, 2008 - Present

**Published Works:**

Successful Airbag Litigation Is No Accident, Products Liability Update, Winter 2004  
Identifying and Protecting the Products Liability Case, AFTL CLE Seminar, December 2004  
Defective Airbags, Mass Tort Made Perfect Seminar, November 2004

**Past Employment Positions:**

Newsome & Didier, P.A., Partner, 2001-2007  
D'Assaro and Hall, P.A., Litigation Associate, 1997 – 2001  
Rumberger, Kirk & Caldwell, Litigation Associate, 1995 – 1997

### **About Fred Stein**

Graduated with a degree in Finance from Florida State University 1996

Received his J.D. from the University of Virginia School of Law 1999

Mr. Stein served 6 years as an Army Judge Advocate General, Primarily as a legal instructor, Operational Law Attorney, Prosecutor and defense attorney.

Mr. Stein has been with the Transportation Security Administration for over 3 years and is currently field counsel for TSA at the Tampa International Airport where he provides advice on employment actions, civil enforcement actions, and operational law matters, along with many other topics.

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### **ABOUT BRIAN INGRAM**

Brian K. Ingram, is the owner and founder of Consulting Investigation Services, a Private Investigations company duly licensed by the State of Texas. He has been specializing in and investigating Internet Crime and Fraud since 1996 and am a recognized expert in the field, both nationally and internationally. He invented and teaches most of the modern methodologies used in Email Tracing and Internet Profiling that are in use today.

### **Experience**

C.I.S. was founded in August 1996 by **Brian Ingram**. Mr. Ingram served for over ten years as a police officer in several jurisdictions. He worked his way up from Patrol Officer to Investigator to Chief of Police. Since opening C.I.S., Mr. Ingram has been instrumental in developing many of the modern techniques used in Internet Investigations, to include Email Tracing and Internet Profiling.

Mr. Ingram specializes in this area, as well as Major Case Criminal Defense Cases. C.I.S. does accept Court Appointments on a case by case basis. Experienced in Capital Punishment cases and all major felony Criminal Defense Investigations.

C.I.S. has handled cases in Europe, Canada, Japan, Australia, the Philippines as well as cases right here in the United States. We have the contacts, expertise and experience you need in operating anywhere your case may take us.

### **Education**

Associates degree: Law Enforcement/Police Science



#### ABOUT CARRIE KERSKIE

Carrie Kerskie is the president of Marcone Investigations, Inc. She oversees all services provided to the clients including corporate investigations, background asset investigations, internet and computer investigations and forensic accounting. She regularly participates in cases regarding fraud prevention, identity theft, surveillance and customized internet safety training for schools and corporations.

Carrie is a business professional with more than 14 years experience. Prior to owning Marcone Investigations, she worked for some of the top investment and insurance companies in the country. It was in those positions, that Carrie honed the skills and knowledge she would later use to solve some of Marcone Investigations' toughest cases.

Carrie is very active in the community and is a member of the American Business Women's Association (current Vice President of the Neapolitan Chapter); Greater Naples Chamber of Commerce; Florida Association of Private Investigators (FAPI); Florida Association of Licensed Investigators (FALI); National Council of Investigation and Security Services; INTELLENET; and an affiliate member of the Collier County Bar Association.

She has been a guest speaker about FACTA Red Flag Rules and Identity Theft at the Greater Naples Chamber of Commerce, ASIS, SCORE, Collier County Bar Association, American Business Women's Association, Florida Association of Mortgage Brokers, and the Paralegal Association.

Carrie has been featured on *NBC News*, *Wink News*, *ABC News* and *Fox News*. In addition, numerous articles have been published about her and Marcone Investigations in *Gulfshore Business*, *Gulfshore Life*, *Business Currents*, *PI Magazine*, and *Adverse Witness*.