

Locating People, Property & Assets

Strategies and forensics

Clients and other parties are not always forthcoming about disclosing assets, such as bank accounts, investment accounts, property, or corporate entities—especially when facing adversities such as being confronted with an unfavorable judgment, probate matters, divorce, or payments for alimony or child support. As counsel, you are often expected to advise and resolve. But what do you do when you can't find the party and/or their assets, or you suspect assets are being hidden? Hear from a private investigator, a forensic accountant, and computer forensics expert on how to find both the people and the assets.

Agenda

- When and How to Seek the Assistance of a Private Investigator, Forensic Accountant or Computer Forensics Expert
- How to Communicate and Set Client Expectations
- How You as Counsel Can Help the Private Investigator, Forensic Accountant or Computer Forensic Expert Help You
- How to Identify When Bank Accounts or Investment Accounts May Be Missing
- Steps to Take for When and How to Use Computer Forensics
- Identifying and Locating Funds Moved to Hidden Accounts
- Tips for Discovering Hidden Property

Speakers



MICHAEL BATES is a Digital Forensics Examiner and Investigator at Byte Smart Forensics in Acushnet Center, a company that he started in January 2020 that specializes in forensic digital data recovery and analysis. He previously worked for more than 27 years with the State Police of Massachusetts, 13 of which as a Detective. He holds a Master of Arts in Criminal Justice from Anna Maria College, and a Bachelor of Science in Computer Science from Bridgewater State College.



MARC D. BELLO, CPA/ABV, CVA, MAFF, CFF, MST, of Edelstein & Company LLP in Boston is a nationally recognized expert in business valuation and forensic accounting. Marc regularly provides business valuations in the context of marital dissolution, shareholder and partner disputes, financial reporting, gift and estate planning, business planning and decision-making. Marc's clients include attorneys and business owners throughout New England and beyond and span industries such as manufacturing, healthcare, high tech, construction, automotive, start-ups, and professional service advisors. His forensic accounting experience enables him to identify hidden income and assets that can be pivotal to divorce resolutions. He holds a Bachelor of Science in Accounting from Ithaca College, and a Masters of Science in Taxation from Bentley College.



MARTIN B. KRAFT, of Kraft Investigations Group, LLC (KIG) in Boston, is a U.S. Army veteran who spent thirty-two years with the Boston Police Department, rising to the rank of sergeant. During his time in law enforcement, he grew to recognize the important role private investigative and security services played in the administration of justice. After leaving the Department in 2015, he founded KIG to provide expert, personalized investigative services to attorneys and private clients. Mr. Kraft earned his Bachelors in Criminal Justice/Law Enforcement Administration from Northeastern University in 1987, followed by a Masters in Criminal Justice/Law Enforcement Administration from Boston University in 1994. He is a licensed private investigator in the State of Massachusetts, a member of the Board of Directors for the Licensed Private Detective's Association of Massachusetts, and a member in good standing of the NALI (National Association of Legal Investigators).



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