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INVESTIGATIONS / LEADERSHIP OVERVIEW - Odometer & Vehicle Title Fraud Expert

Innovated and managed statewide odometer fraud investigation services and programs from serving as the point person to support investigations across 67 counties through raising the performance benchmark of investigations teams to remain on pace with criminals continual evolution of their schemes. Managed statewide resources, cases, court activity, consulting and testifying with Federal, State and County prosecutors.

Developed current State of Florida investigations and training platform that serves as a benchmark nationally regarding training and managing odometer fraud and vehicle title fraud investigations and prosecution. Represented the state on multiple industry and national platforms to showcase Florida as a pioneer and leader in odometer fraud investigation and prosecution

- * Considered an expert in the identification of counterfeit and altered documents.
- * Consultant for law enforcement investigators, DMV's, criminal and civil Attorney's, Automotive Dealers, Insurance companies and victims around the United States on odometer and title fraud investigation issues.
- * Advisor/Trainer for auto auctions and independent auto dealers on regarding fraud detection and prevention.

EXPERIENCE

2006 - 2009 **Camp Host** at Hanging Rock State Park NC as a volunteer for the month of June. Issued camping permits for 72 campsites, collected camping fees, sold firewood, provided information to campers and prepared the campsites for new arrivals.

2003 - Present **RON WEDEKIND**, www.rwseminars.com & Private Investigation Agency - Daytona Beach, FL

- * Leverage 30+ years of law enforcement experience to provide client solutions in two areas:
 - Investigate counterfeit and altered document cases primarily related to auto titles and odometer fraud cases.
 - Develop/lead training programs for individuals and organizations handling auto titles and reading odometers.
 - Security at Daytona International Speedway working with NASCAR credentials at the Cup Garage and Driver Owner's RV lot to ensure only documented authorized individuals were granted ingress and egress in secure areas.

1990 - 2003 **FLORIDA HIGHWAY PATROL**
Supervisor / Manager of Law Enforcement / Detective (Lieutenant) - Established a 32 year overall record of leadership growth with the State of Florida. Positioned-myself as the statewide expert on odometer and vehicle title fraud.

Odometer Fraud (program leader)

- * Served as in a multilateral statewide leader role:
 - Managed multi-jurisdiction investigations.
 - Developed and led training state wide with state, county and city court and law enforcement officials
 - Significant contributor to statewide effort to raise court and law enforcement knowledge of odometer fraud
 - Served as lead investigator on thousands of cases up to major multi-site organized crime cases.
 - Appointed to Florida Certified Motor Vehicle Title Examiner Certification Program
 - Assigned to Title Examiner Certification Task Force for the Certification of title examiners in Florida.

Training (statewide)

- * Served as training manger, program developer and instructor in pioneering odometer and document fraud training regionally and nationally. Scope of training included:
 - National Traffic Safety Counsel and D.M.V. Odometer and Title Fraud Training seminars.
 - Odometer fraud detection, enforcement & prosecution; identification of altered & counterfeit title documents
 - Odometer and title fraud training at conferences, colleges and Florida Highway Patrol Training Academy.
 - Trained law enforcement investigators, DMV employees and title clerks in 15 states.
 - Conducted Title Fraud training for automotive dealers and auction personnel in Colorado and Oklahoma.

Criminal Investigations (statewide)

- * Supervised law enforcement investigators in Drug Intervention and Identification Fraud.
- * Conducted and supervised Investigations in both state and federal jurisdiction including:
 - auto theft - title fraud - odometer fraud - insurance fraud - identity theft
 - securities fraud - counterfeiting - use of force - attempted murder - organized crime
 - forgery - mail fraud - burglary - grand theft - notary fraud

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EXPERIENCE - continued:

- assault - driver license fraud - scheme to defraud - interstate transportation
- * Lead investigator in conducting surveillance operations including operational plan which required seven ground mobile units, one aircraft and mobile platform.
- * Liaison to the courts, judges, state attorneys, Sheriff's Offices local police departments.
- * Commendation, Director Florida Highway Patrol, apprehension of suspect in the shooting of a trooper.

1971 - 1990

FLORIDA HIGHWAY PATROL

Prior Leadership / Law Enforcement Positions

- * Held positions over 35+ personnel encompassing criminal investigations teams and law enforcement personnel across four counties:
 - Station Commander (Lieutenant) - Daytona Beach, FL & Marathon, FL (84-90)
 - Supervisor (First Line) - Ft. Pierce, FL (82-84)
 - Traffic Homicide Investigator (78-82)
 - Began Career as a State Trooper - Miami & Ft. Pierce, FL (71-78)
 - WEA Inspector, US Customs, Ft. Pierce & Key West, FL (76-86, simultaneous to above positions)

EDUCATION

STATE OF FLORIDA

- * Extensive professional development in law enforcement, investigations and leadership, selected listing includes:
 - Advanced Criminal Investigations
 - Advanced Investigation of Police Shootings
 - Weapons of Mass Destruction
 - Police Operation and Leadership
 - Search and Seizure
 - Odometer Fraud Training at D.H.S.M.V.
 - Surveillance Techniques
 - In-Custody Deaths
 - detecting altered and counterfeit title documents
 - Traffic Homicide Investigation
 - Police Executive Civil Liability
 - Interviews and Interrogations

PUBLICATIONS

- * Article, Florida Independent Automobile Dealers Assoc. Independent Dealers magazine. (07/2004, Page 7)
- * Authored Buyer Beware - Mileage Rip-off!! Florida Highway Patrol web site, FHP Warning - Odometer Fraud.

NATIONAL & REGIONAL INFLUENCE

- * Leveraged expertise in odometer fraud in providing solutions and leadership:
 - Past-President, National Odometer and Title Fraud Enforcement Assoc., NOTFEA
 - Organized/chaired conferences for Florida Auto Theft Investigative Unit (FATIU) & (NOTFEA)
 - Member/Lead Investigator, US DOT NHTSA Federal Odometer Fraud Task Force, Washington DC
 - Commendation, Gov. Jeb Bush for success in motor vehicle related crimes involving fraudulent documents
 - Recipient, Award for Excellence in Odometer Fraud, Nat'l Odometer & Title Fraud Enforcement Assoc.
 - Speaker, Nat'l Press Club in Washington, DC to Auto Auction Industry members
 - Speaker, Nat'l Auto Auction Annual Conference, Washington, DC (Legislative & Government Relations Meeting)

LEADERSHIP STRENGTHS

- traveling nationally as a industry representative
 - budgeting, cost tracking, spreadsheet customization
 - building & managing strategic relationships
 - coordinating field services
 - training needs, performance & cause analysis
 - planning and managing teams & programs
 - PowerPoint presentations
 - goal setting & long term planning
 - focusing on excellence & quality standards
 - creating significant & replicable training resources
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REFERENCES: Available upon request

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CONFERENCES

Served in Chair, Panel, Board, Advisory Team, Speaker and Participant roles with the following organizations:

International

- International Association of Auto Theft Investigators
- International Association of Auto Theft Investigators conference

National

- National Odometer Enforcement Association
- National Odometer Fraud Conference
- National Odometer and Title Fraud Enforcement Association
- National Conventions for National Auto Auction Association
- American Association of Motor Vehicle Administrators
- National Auto Auction Annual Conference

Regional

- Southern Auto Auction Association
- Southern Odometer & Title Fraud Enforcement Conference
- Southeast Chapter International Association of Auto Theft Investigators
- Eastern States Odometer Fraud Conference
- Eastern States Odometer and Title Fraud Enforcement Conference
- Western States Fugitive Conference
- Western States Odometer & Title Fraud Association
- Western States Regional Odometer & Title Fraud Conference
- Midwest Odometer & Title Fraud Enforcement Association
- Midwest Auto Auction Association

State

- Florida D.M.V. Odometer and Title Fraud Training
- Florida Auto Theft Intelligence Unit (FATIU)
- Florida Independent Auto Dealers Association in Orlando, Florida
- Florida Certified Motor Vehicle Title Examiner Certification Program
- Florida Anti-Car Theft Conference
- Florida Auto Theft Prevention Authority
- Florida Highway Patrol Command Officers Association