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Ms. Mohr is credentialed as a Nationally Certified Law Enforcement Instructor by the International Association of Directors of Law Enforcement Standards and Training, and is one of fewer than 250 individuals who have been nationally certified as an expert law enforcement instructor. She is a Certified Fraud Examiner, Certified Force Science Analyst (FSA), Certified Anti-Money Laundering Specialist (CAMS), Certified Financial Crimes Specialist (CFCS) and a Certified Cyber Crimes Investigator (CCCI). She is also a Private Investigator (PI) licensed in New Mexico, Arizona, Texas, and California.

Beth A, Mohr is a Police Practices expert with over 30 years of sworn and non-sworn investigative experience. Ms. Mohr has testified as an expert in numerous state and federal court proceedings, depositions, and administrative hearings in both federal and state courts, including New Mexico, Ohio, Illinois, Arizona, California, and Washington state.

Ms. Mohr has testified on a variety of subjects, including police procedures, police misconduct, white collar crime and fraud examinations. Her expertise has been verified by the courts via a Daubert challenge, in which Ms. Mohr was found to be qualified as an expert in police practices generally, and well as the specific areas of interviewing, interrogation, false and recanted confessions, cognitive bias, investigations and investigative failures, vice, and human trafficking. Ms. Mohr is neutral, fair, and her opinions are rooted in provable facts, as well as academic literature, where appropriate. She strives to balance her cases between defense and plaintiff-sided cases, and also provides habeas consulting services.

Areas of Expertise:

- Police Practices and allegation of Police Misconduct
- Use of Force, Excessive Force, Deadly Force
- Taser, ECWs, and other uses of force intended to be less-lethal
- Interviewing, Interrogations & False and Recanted Confessions
- Police Ethics
- Investigative Failure & Cognitive Bias in investigations
- Habeas Consulting, including death penalty cases
- False Arrest
- Failure to Train / Failure to Supervise
- Evidence Handling
- Civilian Oversight & Evaluations of Oversight Mechanisms
- Civil Rights Violations
- Police Policy, SOPs
- Fraud & White-Collar Crime
- Vice & Human Trafficking
- Money-Laundering Cases
- Cryptocurrencies / Bitcoin

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- Retaliation & Qui Tam
- Workplace Violence & Sexual Harassment
- Private Investigations & PI Failures

During her career with the San Diego Police Department, Ms. Mohr was awarded three Commanding Officer's Citations, which were the highest awards offered by the San Diego Police Department for investigative acumen at the time. After retiring from the San Diego Police Department, she conducted death penalty mitigation investigations, and other complex felony investigations, including homicide and white-collar cases, for the Whatcom County, Washington, Public Defender's Office. This includes conducting investigations of allegations of police misconduct for the City of Albuquerque Independent Review Office. Ms. Mohr recently chaired the City of Albuquerque's Police Oversight Board, a civilian board which was created as part of the US Department of Justice's Consent Decree with the City of Albuquerque and the Albuquerque Police Department.

Ms. Mohr has published a chapter entitled "Skepticism", in the book The Art of Investigation Revisited, as well as having penned articles for bar journals and other peer-reviewed publications. Ms. Mohr has taught courses certified for law enforcement on topics including interviewing techniques, investigative ethics, evidence collection, financial and fraud investigations, and many other topics. She has caught continuing legal education (CLE) certified by MCLE on topics including implicit bias and legal ethics, body-worn camera evidence, defending allegations of excessive force, and more.

