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CURRICULUM VITAE
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PROFESSIONAL SUMMARY

Physical security subject matter expert with extensive experience in providing clients with safety and security solutions utilizing strong communication, leadership, and organizational skills. Conducting various threat/vulnerability/risk assessments and developing mitigation plans. Designing multimillion-dollar electronic security systems with construction drawings and specifications. Published author, accomplished speaker, and Navy veteran.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Kolins Security Group, Philadelphia, PA, 10/2025 – Present

Subject Matter Expert

- Subject Matter Expert on physical security threat/vulnerability/risk; policies and procedures; and industry standards.
- Conduct comprehensive security assessments, including document review, stakeholder interviews, and on-site inspections of client facilities.
- Forensic Expert Witness of incidents involving alleged security failures, premises liability, or negligent security.

Mitigation Assessor, LLC, Daytona Beach, FL, 4/2024 - Present

President – Managing Principal

- Physical security subject matter expert offering physical security consulting and expert witness services. Developed business and marketing plans; business development; author and execute service proposals and contracts; and managed all legal and financial aspects.
- Physical Security Consulting: Conducted specialized site mitigation, security department, and construction document (drawings and specifications). Security threat/vulnerability/risk assessments; write policies, procedures and security plans; for a variety of clients. Author mitigation reports and conduct presentations.
- Forensic Expert Witness: Review premises liability litigation case files; conduct site visits and research; author case assessment reports, testify in depositions and court hearings.
- SBA Certifications - Veteran Owned Small Business (VOSB) and Economic-Disadvantaged Women Owned Business (EDSOB)

Confidential, 4/2015 – 4/2024

Undisclosable

- Non-Disclosure Agreement

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PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE CONT.

The Sextant Group, Omaha, NE, 9/2013 –4/2015

Senior Project Manager – Security Consultant

- Developed marketing plans and materials; business development; sales proposals.
- Reviewed internal security work; met with clients; conducted security assessments and developed master plans.
- Drafted construction documents (drawings and specifications); served clients across Higher Education, Corporate, Healthcare, Municipality, Cultural, and others.

Bellevue University, Bellevue, NE, 7/2012 – 8/2014

Adjunct Professor

- Online and in-class instructor for Security Management undergraduate and graduate level cohort classes. Led class discussion as related to course; and reviewed/ advised upon student intellectual academic work.

Shen Milsom & Wilke, New York, NY, 5/2012 – 9/2013

Senior Associate - Security Consultant

- Conducted multi-level threat and risk assessments for Fortune 500 clients. Clients included: Port Authority of New York New Jersey (La Guardia Airport and World Trade Center Tower 4), Caterpillar, Department of State, and others. Secure Workers Access Consortium (SWAC) credential.
- Project manager: Oversaw and coordinated the designs of several low voltage disciplines (i.e., security, VoIP, structured cabling, radio, SCADA, etc.); developed and wrote system programs; and created project design packages (architectural drawings and specifications) and ensured compliance with all applicable codes, standards, and guidelines.

Jaffe Holden, Norwalk, CT, 12/2010 – 1/2012

Senior Security Consultant

- Closed a Security Consulting division within a low voltage and acoustic consulting firm by evaluating client needs and designing enterprise electronic security solutions for Healthcare, Higher Education, and Performing Arts clients.
- Managed all engineered designs (drawings, specifications, and budgets) and advised clients during construction / implementation for enterprise physical security solutions.

Ducibella, Venter, and Santore, North Haven, CT, 4/2008 – 6/2010

Security Consultant/Project Manager

- Evaluated client security requirements; performed vulnerability and risk assessments, designed basis threat analysis, buffer zone planning, Chemical, Biological, Radiologic (CBR) studies, drafted security policies and procedures, and engineered security solutions to include Physical Security Information Management (PSIM) system.
- Worked with the client and team of three security consulting firms / security subject matter experts to develop and oversee the implementation of a coordinated security program for the World Trade Center site. Clients included: Port Authority of New York New Jersey (World Trade Center, Newark International Airport, LaGuardia International Airport, Harrison Station, and Jersey City Powerhouse), Amtrak (Union Station Washington, D.C. and Chicago), Morgan Stanley, J.P. Morgan Chase, and others. Secured Workers Access Consortium (SWAC) credential.

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PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE CONT.

Adesta, LLC, Omaha, NE, 2/2007 – 4/2008

Systems Engineer II

- Engineered integrated physical security systems, procurement of equipment, and project management of the design for the U.S. Corps of Engineers (Ice Harbor Dam), the Department of Interior - Bureau of Reclamations (Shasta, Keswick, Trinity, and Boca Dams), liquid natural gas holding facility, and other critical infrastructures. Public Trust Clearance Required.

EDUCATION

Walden University, Minneapolis, MN

PhD candidate in Public Policy and Administration, 2011

- Concentration in Homeland Security
- Online program and in person residencies

Bellevue University, Bellevue, NE

MS in Security Management, 8/2006

GPA: 3.6

BS in Criminal Justice, 6/2004

GPA: 3.64/4.00

Dean's Scholar

National Dean's Scholar

- Awarded Education Qwest Foundation Scholarship, 2003-2004
- Member of Pi Gamma Mu, International Honor Society, 2004 – Present

CERTIFICATIONS & LICENSES

- Florida Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design (CPTED) Practitioner - FL §768.0706
- Sandia National Laboratories (SNL) – Risk Assessment Methodology (RAM) for Dams (-D) and Critical Infrastructure (-CI)
- FEMA – IS-0904 Active Shooter Prevention: You Can Make a Difference; IS-905 Responding to an Active Shooter; IS-907 Active Shooter: What Can You Do; IS-0100.c Introduction to Incident Command Systems; IS-200.c Basic Command System for Initial Response; IS-00906 Basic Workplace Security Awareness; IS-821 Critical Infrastructure Protection Plan (NIPP); and MGT-315 Critical Asset Risk Management.
- DHS – Terrorism Risk Assessment & Management (TRAM)
- University of Utah – Community Emergency Response Team (CERT)
- American Board Certification Homeland Security (ASCHS) – Level I – IV
- AIA – Innovation in Critical Care Planning and Design

PUBLICATIONS

Books

- *Foundations of Security Management: Core Concepts and Best Practices*. Textbook. CNC Press, Spring 2026.
- *Fundamentals of Security Management: A Common Sense Approach*, Copley Publishing 2007. Co-Author, edited, and published undergraduate textbook with classmates (Clarence Hightower, Brad Kriefel, John Jones, Bob Knowels, and Bannon Holliger)

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PUBLICATIONS CONT.

Articles

“Paths to Integrating Campus Electronic Security Systems” *Campus Safety Magazine*, March 2015.

Legislative & Policy Work

Authored Nebraska Legislative Bill 116 (2005) as part of undergraduate Senior Capstone project; testified before Judiciary Committee and passed into law June 2005, *Neb. Rev. Stat. §43-1725*

Interviewed:

- ASIS Dynamics, *Women in Security*, September/October 2014.
- Security Systems News column, *Specifically Speaking*, February 2014.
- Omaha World Herald, *Big Brother? No, Big Sister*, March 17, 2014.
- The Midlands Business Journal, *How to Secure Your Business*, December 2013.
- Government Security News Magazine, *One Consulting Firm’s Take on New Security Threats*, March 2010.
- Government Security News Magazine, *The Value of a Master’s Degree in Security Management*, December 2009.

Featured:

Bellevue University Alumni Newsletter, The View, “Connections and Opportunities – Degrees from Bellevue University Garner National Respect.” Summer 2010.

PRESENTATIONS & CONFERENCES

Invited Speaking Engagements:

Mastering Assessments / A Practical Approach. Florida Crime Prevention Association Conference, October 2025

Mastering Assessments / A Practical Approach. ASIS International - Orlando Chapter, June 2025.

Mastering Physical Security / A Practical Approach. ASIS International – Space Coast Chapter, February 2025.

Mastering Assessments / A Practical Approach. ASIS International – Space Coast Chapter, July 2024.

Security Consulting. American Institute of Architects (AIA) – Iowa Chapter, Council Bluffs, IA, January 2015.

Security 101. ASIS International – Des Moines Chapter, November 2014.

Security 101. ASIS International – Kansas City Chapter, September 2014.

Security Consulting. American Institute of Architects (AIA) – Omaha Chapter, February 2013.

Security Consulting. ASIS International – Omaha Heartland Chapter, November 2012.

Security Consulting. Nebraska InfraGard, October 2012.

Identity Theft. Omaha U.S. Attorney’s Office, March 2008.

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Conference Speaking Engagements:

Mastering Assessments / A Practical Approach. Florida Crime Prevention Association Conference, October 2025.

Panelist, *Foundations and Fundamentals: Risks, Threats, and Vulnerability Assessments Past, Present & Future.* ISC West, Las Vegas, NV, April 2025.

Panelist, *Workplace Violence.* Nebraska Infrastructure Protection Conference, Lincoln, NE, April 2008.

Integration Between Information Technology and Physical Security. InfoTec, Omaha, NE, April 2006.

Master of Ceremonies, State of Security Heartland Conference, Bellevue, NE, October 2005.

Conference Coordinator:

Nebraska Infrastructure Protection Conference, 2006 – 2008, 2012 – 2015.

- Coordinated the conference agenda and speakers.

State of Security Heartland Conference, Bellevue, NE, October 2006.

- Coordinated participation of two members of the 9/11 Commission as conference panelists.

AFFILIATIONS

Intellenet, 2025 – to Present

Women In Defense (WID), 2025 – to Present

International Association of Professional Security Consultants (IAPSC), 2024 - Present

Security Industry Association (SIA), 2024 – Present

Community Association Institute (CAI), 2025 - Present

ASIS International, 2005 – 2015 and 2023 - Present

Space Coast Chapter

- **Chair**, 2026 – Present and **Vice Chair**, 2024 - 2025
- **Women in Security (WIS) and Next Gen Chairperson**, 2024 - Present

Women in Security (WIS) Council

- **Global Liaison Chair**, 2015

Developed position within the council and coordinated council business with 264 ASIS WIS chapters chairs around the world.

- **Council Member**, 2014

Omaha, NE Chapter 59

- **Chairperson**, Law Enforcement Appreciation Luncheon, (2014-2015)
- **Planning Committee Member**, Awards Dinner, 2013 – 2015
- **Women in Security Chairperson**, 2014 - 2015

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AFFILIATIONS CONT.

Volusia Ready Response Corps (Florida), Volunteer CERT, 2024 - Present

Cass County Emergency Management (Nebraska), Volunteer CERT, 2019 - 2021

ABATE of Florida, Inc., Daytona Beach Chapter **Secretary**, 2023 - Present

Florida Vietnam and all Veterans Annual Reunion, Security Volunteer, 2022 - Present

Executive Council Member for the Nebraska Infrastructure Protection Council (NIPC), 2006 – 2008,
2012 – 2015

American Society for Public Administration (ASPA), 2011 – 2014

International Foundation for Cultural Property Protection (IFCPP), 2010 – 2012

International Facility Managers Association (IFMA), 2014 - 2015

NOT RETAINED