

Addressing Challenges from Examination to Testimony

This presentation is designed for criminal polygraph examiners seeking to enhance their skills in managing complex challenges throughout the polygraph process—from conducting the examination to defending confessions in court. Participants will explore real-world obstacles, including handling difficult examinees, addressing claims of coercive interviewing tactics, and countering expert witness testimony on false confessions. Through interactive discussions and case study reviews, attendees will be better equipped to defend their work with confidence and professionalism in high-stakes environments.



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