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# FROM THE CHAIRMAN'S PEN



I sincerely hope that those of you who were able to attend the mid-term meeting in Marbella Spain enjoyed the luxury of the hotel and the kindness of the wonderful weather.

Attendance for a mid-term must rank amongst the best ever, and it was so good to see many new members who I trust took the opportunity to network with new business colleagues and hopefully form future friendships. It also gave members the opportunity to meet our new ED team of Val Vail and Larry Julian for the first time. My personal thanks and congratulations go to them both for their hard work and efficiency throughout the whole meeting period.

No sooner was the meeting over, when plans for the next meeting in Denver. Colorado were being firmed up by our Conference Chairman Bob Heales. The 2008 83<sup>rd</sup> Annual Conference promises to be something special, and as the US dollar remains so vulnerable, this makes for a very attractive venue for many of our members from all around the globe. Full details of the 2008 annual meeting can now be viewed on the W.A.D. website.

The Denver conference will see the end of my tenure as Chairman of the Board and completes the 5 consecutive year commitment to this wonderful association at leadership

level via the VP's and President's roles. Those Officers who have gone before me will testify that such a commitment does not come without it's difficult times, and that certainly has been so in my own case. However I am privileged to have been chosen to represent you the members, and grateful for the support afforded me by my peers during testing times. This experience has been "another lesson along life's path" but has been a gratifying one, and I would encourage any member out there who feels passion for this association to consider sharing your skills and enthusiasm by becoming more involved at board level and make your serious contributions with a view to eventually progressing to Presidential status. I know there is no shortage of competent members within our ranks.

I now look forward to continuing my loyalty as a member of the Board and my good wishes and full support go to the Officers who now follow. I leave the leadership team in the knowledge and confidence that W.A.D. is now firmly back on track and the future looks good.

Respectfully submitted

*Eric Shelmerdine*  
*W.A.D. Chairman of the Board*



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**CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD**

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# FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR



It was an absolute delight to meet those of you who attended the Mid-Term meeting in Marbella. It is a pleasure to get to know you the member and learn about you and your business. W.A.D. members are an intriguing family of professionals.

We would like to clarify a couple of items regarding membership renewal and information changes on the web site. When you enter your renewal or information change on the web site the action is not automatically made. Your action sends an e-mail to the W.A.D. office and we process your request manually. We try to make these changes on a set schedule during the week and that is why you might not automatically see the changes. If you have questions with your renewal or information updates, please feel free to contact us at any time. We are working at the W.A.D. office to update all information and provide the membership with a current web site and membership

data base, however, it takes time. We appreciate your patience and welcome your communication.

We also would like to introduce three new members to our staff at Julian Vail. Nicole Smith, Kelsey Warner and Jamie Brummel have joined our team and look forward to working with the World Association of Detectives. You may speak with anyone at the office; however, Jamie and Val specifically attend to the needs and business of W.A.D.

We hope you will attend the Annual Conference in Denver, Colorado, USA in September as we look forward to meeting more members of W.A.D.

Sincerely,

Val

Larry



VAL VAIL-SHIREY



LARRY JULIAN

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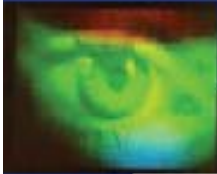
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# World Association of Detectives, Inc.

## 83<sup>rd</sup> Annual Conference

An International Symposium for Human Rights Awareness  
Celebrating of the 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the United Nations Universal Declaration

Denver, Colorado, USA  
Westin Tabor Center Hotel  
September 16 to 20, 2008

### Program of Events

#### Tuesday September 16

15:00 to 17:00 Registration Desk  
18:00 to 19:30 Chairman's Welcome Reception  
Business attire suggested.

#### Wednesday September 17

09:00 to 14:00 Registration Desk  
09:00 to 10:30 Board of Directors Meeting  
10:30 to 10:45 Break  
10:45 to 12:30 Board of Directors Meeting  
12:30 to 14:30 Lunch on Own  
14:30 to 14:45 Opening Ceremony  
14:45 to 16:30 General Business Session

#### Thursday September 18

09:00 to 10:15 General Business Session  
10:15 to 10:30 Break  
10:30 to 12:00 General Business Session  
12:00 to 13:30 Lunch on Own  
13:30 to 20:00 Mountain Tour (included) Red Rocks Park & Amphitheater, Phoenix Gold Mine, Black Hawk Casinos.

#### Friday September 19

08:00 to 09:00 Continental Breakfast, Exhibits Open  
09:00 to 10:15 Seminar...International Human Rights Issues, Atty. Bob Amsterdam  
10:30 to 12:00 Past President's Brunch with Keynote Speaker  
12:30 to 13:45 Seminar...International Child Abduction, Allen Cardoza  
14:00 to 17:00 Denver City Tour (Optional)

#### Saturday September 20

08:00 to 09:00 Continental Breakfast, Exhibits Open  
09:00 to 10:30 Seminar...Human Trafficking and Slavery, Larry Gassin and Dottie Laster of Strike Force Training.  
10:30 to 10:45 Break  
10:45 to 12:15 Seminar Continues  
12:15 to 14:00 Lunch on Own  
14:00 to 16:00 New Board of Directors  
18:00 to 19:00 Cocktail Reception  
19:00 to 22:00 President's Gala Banquet and Show  
Business attire. Black tie optional.

#### Sunday September 21

11:00 Depart for Optional Post Conference Tour, 3 nights in Estes Park and Rocky Mountain National Park at the Historic Stanley Hotel. Please take a registration form for more details.



**Robert Amsterdam**



**Dottie Laster**



**Larry H. Gassin**

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\_\_\_\_\_ Persons, \$25 optional Denver City Swing Tour, 2:00-5:00 p.m. Friday. Tour downtown finance and business districts, see the State Capitol, historic mansions and parks, and stop at Coors Field Baseball Stadium.

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**OPTIONAL POST CONFERENCE TOUR**  
**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 21<sup>ST</sup> - WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 24<sup>TH</sup>**

\_\_\_\_\_ Persons, \$120 Complete Tour      \_\_\_\_\_ Persons, \$45 National Park Tour Only

Complete tour includes roundtrip transportation in a deluxe motorcoach to scenic Estes Park, Colorado and the Rocky Mountain National Park. We will leave from our Denver hotel late morning Sunday. The National Park tour will take place on Monday. Tuesday will be free to tour and shop in Estes Park. Wednesday you will return to Denver or we will arrange transportation to the airport. You will stay at the historic Stanley Hotel. This is a very famous 100 year old hotel about 1 1/2 hours from Denver in one of the most scenic spots in the world. It was the inspiration for the Jack Nicholson film, "The Shining". In September the magnificent Elk come down from the mountains and will be all over town and close to the hotel. [www.stanleyhotel.com](http://www.stanleyhotel.com) 20 rooms are available, first come, first served. There is a possibility of adding more if we sell out prior to June 1<sup>st</sup>.

Contact the Stanley Hotel directly at 1-970-586-3371 or 1-800-976-1377 to make your room reservations. The special W.A.D. rate is only \$169 for standard queen rooms or \$209 for historic suites or family suites. **IMPORTANT: Stanley Hotel Reservations must be made no later than JUNE 15<sup>th</sup>.**

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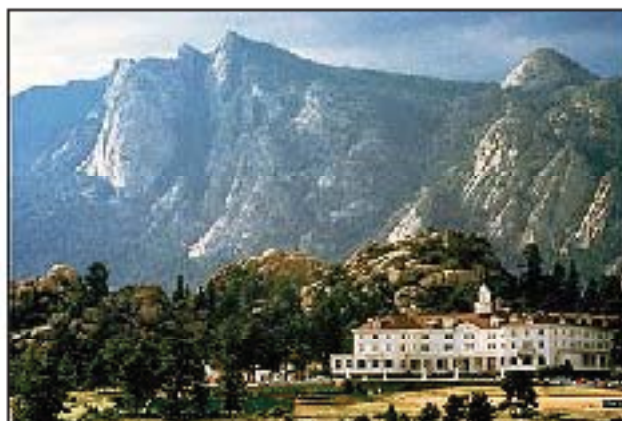
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# W.A.D. 83<sup>rd</sup> Annual Conference

## *World Association of Detectives to Recognize United Nations Declaration of Human Rights*

The World Association of Detectives will be holding its 83rd Annual Conference at the Westin Tabor Center Hotel in Denver, Colorado September 16<sup>th</sup> through 20<sup>th</sup>, 2008. We will be celebrating the 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the United Nations Universal Declaration of Human Rights. This year's theme will be "An International Symposium for Human Rights Awareness".

The United Nations Declaration is an important and historic document which recognizes that inherent dignity and the equal and inalienable rights of all members of the human family is the foundation of freedom, justice, and peace in the world. With members in over 75 different countries, the officers and members of the World Association of Detectives recognize the importance of this document and support the proclamation within stating "every individual and every organ of society, keeping this Declaration constantly in mind, shall strive by teaching and education to promote respect for these rights and freedoms and by progressive measures, national and international, to secure their universal and effective recognition and observance, both among the peoples of Member States themselves and among the peoples of territories under their jurisdiction".

The Declaration, in its articles, continues to recognize that all human beings are born free and equal in dignity and rights, without distinction of any kind, such as race, color, sex, language, religion, political or other opinion, national or social origin, property, birth, or other status.

### *Program of Activities*

The conference will kick off with the customary Chairman's Welcome Reception at 6:00 PM on Tuesday September 16<sup>th</sup>. That event will be followed by the Board Meeting, General Business Session and Elections, Past President's Brunch, Mountain and City Tours, Seminars, and will culminate with our President's Gala Banquet on Saturday evening. The conference will then be followed by a Post Conference Tour to Estes Park and the Rocky Mountain National Park.

Our featured training session will be presented by Larry Gassin and Dottie Laster of Strike Force Training. They will present a 3 hour session on Human Trafficking and Slavery, a very real problem in today's society, and something all professional investigators and security professionals need to be aware of. Our President, Allen Cardoza, will present a session on The Hague Convention and Civil Aspects of International Child Abduction. Also speaking will be Attorney Bob Amsterdam, the world's leading human rights lawyer with offices in London and Toronto.

### *Out and About in Denver*



Denver, Colorado circa 1898 facing west from the State Capitol



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Denver is located on the edge of the Rocky Mountains and is the largest U.S. city between St. Louis and Los Angeles, and it sits half way between those two cities. It is called the “Mile High City” because the second step of the state capitol building is exactly 5,280 feet above sea level. It is the 21<sup>st</sup> largest metropolitan area in the United States with the 10<sup>th</sup> largest downtown district, and it’s new convention center ranks it in the top 10 cities for conventions.

Denver was founded by a party of gold prospectors in 1858, and Colorado became a state in 1876. Denver has an arid climate. The average high temperature in September is 77 Fahrenheit, and the average low during the night is 47.

The Denver Airport is 18 miles from downtown. Opening in 1995, it is the 4<sup>th</sup> busiest airport in the United States and 10<sup>th</sup> busiest in the world. You will arrive at Concourse A, B, or C and go down the escalator to catch the train to the main terminal. A taxi will cost a flat rate of \$48.00 plus tip to the Westin Tabor Center. Super Shuttle is available for \$19 per person. The Super Shuttle booth is located at the top of the escalator in the main terminal after you get off the train. You could have a wait for the Super Shuttle of 10 to 30 minutes depending on how busy they are.

There are 48 restaurants and bars within a 4 block walk of the Westin. There are also many shops along the 16<sup>th</sup> Street Mall, Tabor Center, Larimer Square and the surrounding 4 square blocks.

**Some favorite nearby restaurants include:**

- Bistro Vendrome, 1424 Larimer St., French, 303-825-3232 \$\$\$
- The Capitol Grill, 1450 Larimer St., Steak House, 303-539-2500 \$\$\$\$
- Denver ChopHouse and Brewery, 1735 19<sup>th</sup> St., Steak House, 303-296-0800 \$\$\$
- Kevin Taylor’s At The Opera House, 1100 14<sup>th</sup> St., Contemporary, 303-640-1012 \$\$\$\$
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- Maggiano’s Little Italy, 500 16<sup>th</sup> St., Italian, 303-260-7707 \$\$\$\$
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- Osterio Marco, 1453 Larimer St., Italian, 303-534-5855 \$\$
- P.F. Chang’s China Bistro, 1415 15<sup>th</sup> St., Asian, 303-260-7222 \$\$
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- Pulcinella Ristorante, 1800 Lawrence St., Italian, 303-382-1444 \$\$\$
- Red Square Euro Bistro, 1512 Larimer St., International, 303-595-8600 \$\$\$
- Rioja, 1431 Larimer St., Mediterranean, 303-820-2282 \$\$\$
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It’s worth the short 5 minute trip on light rail just outside downtown to see Denver’s oldest restaurant. A real Wild West experience in an 1800’s building. Train stops right in front.  
Buckhorn Exchange, 1000 Osage St., Steak House, 303-534-9595 \$\$\$\$

If you want to see another part of Denver, a short taxi ride will take you 3 miles the popular Cherry Creek area, which is known for its high end shops, restaurants and night life. Ask the taxi driver to take you up 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue from Broadway to see some of Denver’s most historic neighborhoods, homes and mansions.  
Barolo Grill, 3030 E. 6<sup>th</sup> Ave., Italian, 303-393-1040 \$\$\$\$  
Elway’s, 2500 E. 1<sup>st</sup> Ave., Steak House, 303-399-5353 \$\$\$\$  
North, 190 Clayton Ln., Italian, 720-941-7700 \$\$\$  
Ocean, 201 Columbine St., Seafood, 303-377-5350 \$\$\$\$

Entrée prices \$\$ \$11 - \$15 \$\$\$ \$16 - \$25 \$\$\$\$ \$26 and higher

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### *Colorful Colorado*

Colorado ranks as one of the highest states in tourism numbers behind California, Florida, and Hawaii. There are many National Parks, National Monuments, and Historic Sites within a 1 to 5 hour drive from Denver, or you can head west on Amtrak from Union Station near the Westin. We hope to have a full bus on our post conference tour to beautiful Estes Park and the Rocky Mountain National Park where we will stay at the historic Stanley Hotel. If you are arriving early you may want to contact us for suggestions or try an internet search to plan your trip. Pikes Peak, Garden of the Gods, Colorado National Monument, Mount Evans, Dinosaur National Park, Mesa Verde National Park, Black Canyon of the Gunnison National Park, and Great Sand Dunes National Park are just some of the places you may want to visit. You may also want to see some of the famous ski areas in Winter Park, Vail, Telluride, or Aspen. A very charming little town is Grand Lake located on a high alpine lake surrounded by majestic mountains and charming cabins and lake homes. This is one of the few lakes in Colorado where homes can be constructed.



*Welcome committee  
and members at the  
Mid-term  
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# W.A.D. ANNUAL AWARDS NOMINATIONS

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Members are asked to submit recommendations for the W.A.D. Awards. All nominations should be submitted to The Executive Director at the address below.

There are four awards presented annually by the President at the Annual Conference closing Banquet. Nominations for all the above Awards should contain a brief account of the service and contributions given to the profession by the nominee which qualifies him or her for the award in question. Members cannot nominate themselves for Awards. **All nominations must be received by July 25<sup>th</sup>, 2008.**

Please send your nomination to the W.A.D. office by mail, fax or email.

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Your nomination must include the following:

- Your name, agency and address
- The name, agency and address of the nominee
- The award for which they are be nominated
- A statement detailing the achievements and contributions of the nominee and why you believe the nominee is deserving of the award.
- *Nominations must be made by a W.A.D. member.*

Chairman of the Awards Committee, Werner E. Sachse, Germany, Members of the Committee are previous recipients of the Awards.

## **“THE NORMAN J. SLOAN MEMORIAL AWARD”**

Established in 1985, this award is presented to a member who has demonstrated exceptional service to the World Association of Detectives and the investigative and security profession. Consideration will be given for long and meritorious service, contribution to WAD and the profession, leadership skills and integrity.

## **“INVESTIGATOR OF THE YEAR”**

A cup presented to the World Association of Detectives by Past President Zena Scott-Archer on behalf of the Association of British Investigators in friendship in 1976 in Brighton, England and is to be awarded to a W.A.D. member based on outstanding achievement in the field of investigation. Nominations should cite one or more examples of professional skill.

## **“THE NEAL HOLMES, SR. MEMORIAL SECURITY PROFESSIONAL OF THE YEAR”**

This award honors individuals in the Security field who have demonstrated excellence, leadership and business acumen in an entrepreneurial endeavour. Nominations should cite one or more examples of professional skill. Re-named in 2003 in memory of Life Member Neal Holmes, Sr.

## **“THE HAL LIPSET MEMORIAL TRUTH IN ACTION AWARD”**

This award is typically presented to a non-member of W.A.D. and is most often presented to someone outside the association. Recipients are usually honored for distinguished service in the fields of private security, investigations, law enforcement, or the complimentary technical and scientific professions. The recipient is normally chosen by the local host with approval by the Awards Committee.

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# SEMINAR

## HUMAN TRAFFICKING AND SLAVERY

### Bring on the Traffic Jam

*by Dottie Laster and Larry Gassin*

Who doesn't hate being stuck in a traffic jam? But there is one situation in which jammed traffic is not only desirable, but critical for the health and safety of those involved.

Human trafficking is modern-day slavery and today there are 27 million people globally who are enslaved according to the Department of Justice. This means there are more people enslaved than when slavery was institutionalized. In a February 2008 United Nations Conference in Vienna, human trafficking was estimated to bring in \$31 billion in revenues annually. It is projected to pass up global drug trafficking in just a few years! Globally, there is no country where slavery is legal but at the same time there is no country that has escaped the tentacles of its terror and torture. It encompasses a broad spectrum of vicious crimes perpetrated by greedy, selfish people who see other people only as disposable commodities and hold little regard for human life and freedom. Its principal forms are human labor slaves and sex slaves and its victims include men, women, teens and children. If you're thinking, "that includes about everyone!" you're right.

### **Global Efforts to Combat Trafficking**

The United States Department of State issues an annual report on countries' efforts to combat slavery. Countries on the lowest tier face US, International Monetary Fund and World Bank sanctions. The purpose of the report is to increase efforts globally to combat human trafficking by ranking countries' according to their efforts to prevent trafficking, protect victims, and prosecute perpetrators. The report highlights government efforts, includes country specific narratives, victims' stories, and tracks successful prosecutions. It may be accessed at [www.state.gov/g/tip](http://www.state.gov/g/tip).

### **The United States Trafficking Victims' Protection Act (TVPA)**

Many of our businesses, communities, schools, churches, airports, hospitals, hotels/motels and other public places have trafficking victims. Often unrecognized by management and top executives, these organizations may have staff that is directly contributing to the activities of the traffickers. Due to the Trafficking Victims Protection Act of 2000 and its reauthorizations in 2003 and 2005, a severe increase in criminal and civil penalties may be imposed on organizations and their executives where trafficking activities occur. Adding more teeth to the prosecution of cases, law enforcement can use the RICO act to seize property while victims (regardless of citizenship status) have a right to sue for civil damages. The adverse publicity from having a 14 year old prostituted out of a publicly named hotel could cost an immeasurable loss in revenue and public good will due to bad press. Many business leaders have found themselves in court under the premise "you should have known". In the case of modern-day slavery, especially involving children, juries and public opinion would predictably side with the victims. In addition to public stigma, due to the TVPA penalties up to life imprisonment may be imposed on all parties who participated or intended to participate in trafficking. Businesses that have government contracts are at risk of losing those contracts if their deployed employees, their sub-contractors or their dependants engage in human trafficking activities. Further, any US citizen that has sex with a minor abroad may be charged under the Protect Act when they return to the US.



## Where are the victims?

In many cases, the victims are in plain sight of people who could help them but the people do not know what to look for or what they are seeing. The trafficking victims may even ask trusted people for help but without knowledge that slavery exists the public may not be equipped to help even when presented with the opportunity. Investigators and security professionals can play a key role in helping to identify victims or crimes that are human trafficking. One example is a case that was reported by police as a suicide attempt. It involved two Asian men who jumped from a moving car. The officer did not know about trafficking so he reported it as attempted suicide and did not investigate the other people in the car, which included the trafficker. Another example is a 15 year old girl who was given by one brother to another as a gift for his success in their lucrative smuggling operation. She was forced to clean, baby-sit, endure rape every day or two by the husband and accompany the wife to the grocery store. At the store she was forced to steal hundreds of the plastic grocery bags which were mailed to Guatemala. When she refused to steal the husband pistol-whipped her. She eventually escaped while at the store by grabbing a customer and fleeing.

This is an area of growing global concern where the increase of crime with its attendant increase of human misery is multiplying like germs in a petrie dish and there is a rapidly growing need for trained professionals who can assist in efforts to recognize, respond, rescue and recover victims as well as protect corporate clients from falling victim themselves to the civil and criminal penalties that are increasingly imposed. To take advantage of the many natural opportunities to be involved and provide services, it is crucial that private investigators and security specialists remain at the cutting edge of their fields and receive needed training to be proficient in understanding this fastest growing and most lucrative crime in the world today.

Larry Gassin and Dottie Laster are principals in *S.T.R.I.K.E.* Force Training, an organization that specializes in educating and training law enforcement, government officials, foreign governments, corporate enterprises and others in recognizing and combating human slavery and trafficking.

**We're looking forward to meeting and joining forces at the 83<sup>rd</sup> Annual World Association of Detectives Conference this September in Denver, CO.**

*Until then, we wish the W.A.D. and its members continued success and all the best*



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# SEMINAR

## INTERNATIONAL HUMAN RIGHTS ISSUES

Robert Amsterdam is the founding partner of the Toronto- and London-based boutique international law firm Amsterdam & Peroff. In his 28 years of practice, he has represented a diverse range of corporations and individuals in markets such as Russia, Hungary, Poland, Venezuela, Bolivia, Guatemala, the United States and Canada.

Amsterdam has a distinguished track record of serving clients in shareholder disputes, corporate restructuring, fraud and asset recovery, regulatory and tax issues, complex commercial arbitration, and multi-jurisdictional litigation. He is also frequently sought out as a political risk advisor and strategic counsel for companies seeking to open new markets.

Recent clients have included the Four Seasons Hotel & Resorts Group, PricewaterhouseCoopers, and several other major mining, energy, and agri-business firms. In 2003, he was retained by the former head of the Yukos oil company Mikhail Khodorkovsky, serving a central role in one of Russia's highest profile cases.

Amsterdam has developed a unique practice niche in handling politically complex cases, implementing comprehensive strategies using advocacy to bring additional forces to bear upon the client's case beyond the courtroom. He has pioneered the concept of "corporate foreign policy," a set of principles for successful engagement between businesses and governments.

His writings have been published in the Fordham International Law Journal, the International Herald Tribune, the Financial Times, and the Wall Street Journal. He has delivered keynote speeches for groups such as Chatham House, University College of London, Cato Institute, the Carnegie Endowment, and several energy, mining, and international investment conferences. Amsterdam has regularly appeared as an expert commentator on CNN, CNBC, Bloomberg, BBC, and Fox News.

Amsterdam is a member of the Canadian and International Bar Associations. He earned his BA from Carleton University in Ottawa, and studied law at Queen's University in Ontario (LLB). He is also licensed to practice in the United Kingdom. He is listed as a Top 100 lawyer in the UK Legal 500 and Chambers, and has been named to *The Lawyer's* Hot 100 and Lawyer of the Week by the *Times*.

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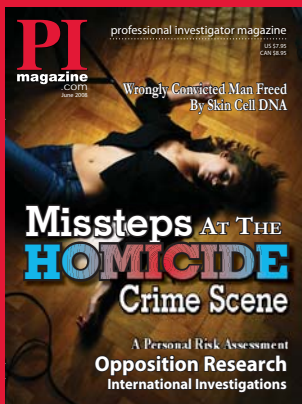
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Dead or alive, Karen and Robert Downes want to know where missing daughter Charlene is, and now a top detective has offered to help a family at breaking point. **Jacqueline Morley** reports



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**I**N the Year of the Lost Child – beset by Shannon and Madeleine headlines in a country where a child goes missing every five minutes – the Blackpool Downes family is in meltdown.

Each news bulletin brings constant reminders of their own loss, the quest for answers, what passes for justice.

All sense of normal family life is displaced by grief, loss of hope, anger and frustration.

Karen and Robert's youngest daughter Charlene has been missing since November 2003. She was 14 when she vanished after a night out at North Pier.

"If Charlene's still alive, she's 19." If ... it's a sentence Karen never thought she would utter – but she is now living with the life sentence of loss of a loved one.

She doubts her daughter is alive but hopes with all her heart that miracles happen.

A small one prompts my visit. One of the world's top detectives has offered to put an army of private detectives at the family's disposal free of charge to listen to the word on the street and report it back to police. If police choose to accept the help. That decision has been referred to investigators heading the ongoing inquiry at headquarters.

The family's leapt at the offer. It's the best news they've had from The Gazette in a long time, Karen tells me.

Officially the Charlene Downes case remains active, investigation ongoing, since the sensational collapse of the court trial involving two men, subsequently cleared of all charges. Now police face their own internal inquiry into what's gone so spectacularly awry.

But for the family with a familiar face still missing, birthday cards and Christmas cards and gifts stacking up in a corner, the cracks are showing.

Parents Karen and Robert have a volatile relationship at the best of times although the trials and tribulations have brought out the best in them, too.

But that's in danger of collapsing with the court case. The emotional upheaval is proving too much. Last week wife turned on husband and husband turned to drink.

It ended with a sudden angry lashing out by Karen, normally the more even tempered, with whatever came to hand in this crowded cluttered home. It turned out to be a knife. Of indeterminate type. It doesn't seem polite

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**AID OFFER: Detective Eric Shelmerdine**

to ask "what sort?" when a husband's just told you his misus has knifed him.

Robert, a tad indignant, pride wounded as well as that small flesh wound to his side, pats his bandage: "Got me here." Just a glancing blow, a flesh wound.

But the real wounds go far deeper. Robert's outside the house, on Buchanan Street, Blackpool, not the salubrious side of town, when I arrive.

He's sitting in the back of a police van giving his statement on what happened and hearing what happens next.

He emerges to tell me: "Yes, I've had a drink, but I'm not slurring, am I? I love her to bits but she blames me, I think, for not being more of a man, not being a better dad, doing more to get justice for Charlene, or taking the law into my own hands."

Karen sits inside, eyes shadowed. "I've had enough," she says.

Robert, still nursing wound and pride, sticks his head around the living room door (which has been bolted against him) to

assure Karen that no, police are not pressing charges.

A look of relief, tempered with resentment, passes between the pair. Outside, police drive away. Robert shakes my hand, urges me to "tell people what a nightmare we're going through", and heads off to the pub.

Inside Karen's lightened up, beaming joy at welcome news I've just delivered – from a man who may lift the unremitting gloom and grind of Downes family life.

One of the world's most influential detectives has offered help. Eric Shelmerdine has run Blackpool Detective Agency for more than 30 years. He set it up with a former police detective and still employs many ex-coppers, including specialists in missing children.

This unassuming looking chap has global contacts, and is widely respected in worldwide detective ranks. He's past president of the World Association of Detectives, only the third Brit to hold the honour.

But Eric has offered his association's help for free to the Downes family – and is willing to extend the same to Frank Chivers, father of another local miss-

ing girl, Paige, if he wants it. It's some offer. Four hundred members in the Association of British Investigators ranks, 100 more overseas. "Lots of extra eyes and ears," says Eric.

He was struck by the "low ebb of the family since the latest development" and the low profile of the Charlene Downes case outside of Lancashire. "When I speak to colleagues outside our area, even bordering counties, they have no knowledge of the Charlene Downes case and if Charlene is still alive, and that has to remain a possibility in the absence of a body or even forensic evidence, then she has to be somewhere.

"Mention Madeleine McCann and the world's heard of her. Poor Charlene doesn't get a look-in."

Eric Shelmerdine "Mention Madeleine McCann and the world's heard of her. Poor Charlene doesn't get a look-in. The same seems to be happening for Paige Chivers too. That's a grave injustice." Two lost girls, two sets of unanswered questions. That's all Karen and Robert want, answers. They know there's

every chance their daughter's dead. They hope she's still alive. Either way they know hundreds of private eyes, pooling intelligence via websites and other means, could help.

"We need a break," says Karen, with a rare smile. She looks uncannily like Charlene when she smiles, which isn't often enough. The misery pervading the home is tangible.

The family reckon Charlene's had a poor media deal nationally. "But we were seen as That Sort of Family, weren't we?" challenges Karen. "I had to fight for coverage."

Now she's hoping for closure. Another word she wouldn't have used once: "I've had enough – life without Charlene, not knowing where my girl is, what she's gone through,

whether she's alive, no grave to visit, no way of putting her to rest. We're at breaking point. "But this news, it's the best thing to happen for ages. Bless Mr Shelmerdine for thinking of us, bless all those detectives. Someone out there knows something."





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# DECEASED MEMBERS

In the last 18 months we have lost the following members from the World Association of Detectives.

*We appreciate their contributions and mourn in their loss.*



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- Inside Back Cover ..... 7.5" w x 10" h / 19cm x 25cm .....\$425.00 per issue

Ad Size	Dimension	1 Insert - USD	3 Inserts - USD	4 Inserts - USD
<input type="checkbox"/> Full Page	7.5" wide x 10" high 19cm wide x 25cm high	\$225.00	\$607.50	\$800.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Half-Page	7.5" wide x 5" high 19cm wide x 12cm high	\$125.00	\$337.50	\$400.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Quarter-Page	3.75" wide x 5" high 9cm wide x 12cm high	\$100.00	\$270.00	\$320.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Business Card	Standard Size 9cm wide x 5cm high	\$50.00	\$135.00	\$160.00

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- Volume 59, Issue 3: July 2008
- Volume 59, Issue 4: October 2008
- Volume 60, Issue 1: January 2009
- Volume 60, Issue 2: April 2009

**Deadlines for Ad Submission:** December 1, March 1, June 1, September 1

- Ads must be submitted in a .jpg or .tif or .pdf file. Faxes will not be accepted.
- Ads must be submitted in the correct dimensions.
- Full payment in USD must accompany all advertisement orders.

**Non-Member Advertising Rates:** Non-member advertising rates are 50% higher than those stated above. The minimum advertising size for non-members is a quarter page.

**Payment**

- Check Enclosed – Checks must be drawn on a US bank, in US funds
- Visa    MasterCard    American Express

Cardholder Name \_\_\_\_\_

Card Number \_\_\_\_\_ Expiration \_\_\_\_\_

Zip/Postal Code \_\_\_\_\_ Amount USD \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Please remit payment with advertisement and completed form to:

World Association of Detectives, Inc.  
235 N. Pine Street, Lansing, MI 48933  
Tel: +1-517-482-1200

NAME:

AGENCY:

PHONE:

FAX:

EMAIL:



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## WORLD ASSOCIATION OF DETECTIVES, INC.

"A Global Alliance of Investigators and Security Professionals"

### APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP

Proposed by W.A.D. Member (OPTIONAL): \_\_\_\_\_

Mail completed application to: WORLD ASSOCIATION OF DETECTIVES, INC., Ms. Val Vail-Shirey, Executive Director,  
235 N. Pine St, Lansing, Michigan 48933 USA (email: [wad@wad.net](mailto:wad@wad.net)) +1-517-482-1200 Phone +1-517-372-1501 Fax

#### APPLICATIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP MUST BE SUBMITTED IN ENGLISH

The official language of the Association shall be English (By-laws, Article III, Section 2, a.)

An applicant for Active membership shall be an individual who is a Principal or the Manager or Branch Manager of an agency, firm, or corporation, which has been in operation for one (1) year, legally qualified to practice the profession of Private Investigator or Security Service, and has been employed as such for a period of three (3) years, unless decided otherwise by the Executive Committee, and licensed where required and be a legal representative. Combined experience from more than one agency, firm or corporation shall apply. An applicant who is not a Principal must submit, in English, a letter of authorization from the President of the Company, on company letterhead, verifying their stated position. The Board of Directors shall also consider applications from persons in countries where three (3) years of business experience was not possible. Any false declaration or statement on this application or to our Representative during the vetting interviews renders the applicant liable to automatic disqualification from membership in the association. **To confirm proper delivery, please contact us at [wad@wad.net](mailto:wad@wad.net) if you are not notified within 30 days that we have received your application and fees.** The following must be provided or explanation given as to why it is not. Incomplete applications will not be considered.

- One (1) recent passport type photo (digitalized are preferable). Note: Names & photographs of applicants are usually printed in the W.A.D. NEWS. If you do not wish your photograph to appear in our Newsletter and/or on our Website please inform us.
- Credit card (VISA, MasterCard, or American Express), money order, bank draft, or check (payable in U.S. dollars and drawn on a U.S. bank) in the amount of \$210 (this includes the application fee of \$50, which is non-refundable, and annual dues of \$160.)
- A copy of your certificate of insurance and bond, where applicable or required, together with an English translation.
- A copy of your license certificate, where applicable or required, together with an English translation.
- A copy of your company letterhead and business card, demonstrating the nature of your business. Full contact details of new members will later be published in our Newsletter.
- A letter from your company, in English, authorizing you to act in the capacity of Director, General Manager or Manager if you are not the owner.

1. Last Name of applicant: \_\_\_\_\_

First Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Middle Names: \_\_\_\_\_

2. Date of Birth (spell month): \_\_\_\_\_ 3. Nationality: \_\_\_\_\_

4. Your agency name: \_\_\_\_\_

5. Full international business address: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

6. Business telephone (Country Code): \_\_\_\_\_ City or Area Code: \_\_\_\_\_ Number: \_\_\_\_\_

7. FAX number (Country Code): \_\_\_\_\_ City or Area Code: \_\_\_\_\_ Number: \_\_\_\_\_

8. E-mail address: \_\_\_\_\_ 9. Web Site: \_\_\_\_\_

10. Your position with agency: \_\_\_\_\_ 10a. Do you have financial control of the Agency/Company? YES/NO

Time in position: \_\_\_\_\_ 12. Date agency established: \_\_\_\_\_ 13. Date you entered above agency: \_\_\_\_\_

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14. Prior related experience including employer, position, duties (use separate sheet of paper if more space needed) \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
15. Is agency subject to licensing regulations? (circle whichever is applicable)  
**YES                      NOT REQUIRED IN STATE                      NOT REQUIRED IN COUNTRY**  
*(If YES, include copy of license with contact name, address, and telephone number of Licensing authority.)*
16. Have you ever been convicted in any criminal proceeding? **YES/NO** (If yes, explain on a separate sheet of paper where, why, and when.) Have you ever been charged with any violation or complaint by any government or licensing authority? **YES/NO** (If yes, explain on separate sheet of paper; include name and contact information of authority for confirmation.)
17. Are you Bonded or Insured? **YES / NOT REQUIRED** *(If yes, include a copy of the bond/policy, with name and all contact information of bonding/insuring Agency for confirmation.)*
18. Types of work handled and any specialties claimed: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
19. Do you maintain a full-time office? **YES/NO**                      20. Do you maintain branch office(s)? **YES/NO**
- 20a. If yes, list branch offices on a separate sheet of paper.
21. Are you connected in any way, directly or indirectly, with any other business profession? **YES/NO**  
If yes, please explain: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
22. List professional organizations in which you now hold membership and their contact information for confirmation: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
23. Please provide names and contact details of referees who belong to W.A.D. or other recognized professional security/investigative organizations. \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
24. Please list all the languages spoken by you or your staff. \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**WAIVER**

I give full consent to the World Association of Detectives, Inc., (W.A.D.) its Officers, Members, and/or their Agents, to verify and inquire into my reputation, character, credit and/or standing for membership in the W.A.D. I hereby release, indemnify and hold harmless the above named organization, its Officers, Members, and/or Agents from all liability, claims, (implied or actual) in matters emanating from said review and/or investigation.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Applicant

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

**CERTIFICATION**

I hereby certify that all entries made by me in this application and the application process are true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief and are made in good faith.

Furthermore, I do hereby certify that I am a person of good character and good behavior, and that I will abide by the By-Laws, its Preamble, and Code of Ethics of the World Association of Detectives.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Applicant

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date



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