



Randy Hillman

Randy Hillman is the driving force behind the Law Enforcement Alliance for Digital Evidence Response (L.E.A.D.E.R.) For the 25 years preceding his retirement in 2016, Randy was a career prosecutor. As Chief Assistant District Attorney for Shelby County, AL from 1993-2001, his courtroom and prosecutorial tenure was spent running complex investigations and prosecuting hundreds of felony cases that include capital murder, violent felonies, and white-collar crimes.

As Executive Director of the Alabama District Attorney's Association/Alabama Office of Prosecution Services from 2001 to 2016, he was ADAA's chief legislative liaison/advisor in the Alabama Legislature, and with the US Congress in Washington D.C. In this role, he drafted, helped draft and/or significantly influenced the passage of over 300 new laws or revisions to current law and had a significant impact on innumerable criminal justice policies and practices. Examples of these include: model synthetic drug legislation, model digital device and electronic crimes legislation, improved collection of restitution for victims, pre-trial diversion programs, human trafficking legislation and countless others. He was also directly responsible for a budget of over \$100 million and 1200 District Attorney employees state-wide.

Randy has testified in the U.S. Senate Judiciary Committee on multiple occasions on subjects ranging from the impact of properly funding forensic sciences, to juvenile justice issues, to the dangers to law enforcement of encrypting digital devices. He has also testified before the U.S. House of Representatives Committee on Financial Services regarding the impact of computer fraud and theft on the financial services industry in the U.S.

Randy was the founder of the National Computer Forensics Institute in Hoover, Alabama. The NCFI is a unique, joint initiative with the US Secret Service, the Alabama District Attorneys Association, US Department of Homeland Security, the State of Alabama, the Alabama Securities Commission and others. Since 2007, NCFI has trained approximately 8700 state and local law enforcement officers, prosecutors and trial judges from all 50 states and three US territories in all forms of digital evidence recovery and response. It operates on an annual budget of approximately \$19 million and currently utilizes 16 different curricula covering all forms of digital evidence including basic digital device recovery, basic and advanced mobile device examinations, social media investigations, network intrusion, and many others.

The NCFI is consistently recognized by the US Congress and federal and state law enforcement agencies as the premier digital evidence training facility in the US.