### **Kevin Faulkner C.V. Digital Forensics Expert**

# **Digital Forensics and Incident Response Expert**

**Stroz Friedberg** 

Gill St. Bernards

**New York, New York** 

As a testifying expert, I have prepared affidavits, expert reports, and offered oral testimony in depositions, hearings, and as an expert witness in state and federal courts throughout the US in the area of digital forensics. With over 12 years of experience in digital forensics, incident response and electronic discovery, and over 17 years of experience in technology, I have developed deep subject matter expertise to help attorneys and corporate clients navigate through challenging legal and technology issues. In addition, I lead a team of professionals that provided these services, mentor junior staff, and perform quality control to help ensure the integrity of our findings.

I have managed and performed hundreds of complex data collections including full disk forensic images, automated collections, and targeted network based collections throughout the US, Europe and Asia. I also led teams of investigators performing forensic analysis of evidence; locating, recovering, and extracting information utilizing forensic protocols while functioning as the highest level escalation point and technical expert to help the team be accurate and thorough in the analysis. In the eDiscovery space, I have led engagements consulting with clients to help locate potentially relevant information; culling down and processing the data; developing a search strategy to identify "documents of interest" for hosting; managing contract reviewers to improve their efficiency and accuracy in identifying responsive and privileged documents; and producing information to the opposing side or regulators ensuring the deliverable meets the specifications required. Additionally, I have helped clients use the lessons learned on these engagements to improve their internal process and lower their future costs in responding to security breaches, regulatory action, internal investigations, or litigation.

# **Experience**

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**Managing Director** 

**Company Name Stroz Friedberg** 

Dates Employed Nov 2014 - Present

#### **Employment Duration 3 yrs**

#### **Location Greater New York City Area**

At Stroz Friedberg, I am the head of the New York digital forensics lab and co-manage the firm's technical operations in areas of digital forensics, electronic discovery, and incident response. I supervise and perform digital forensic acquisitions and examinations on laptop and desktop computers, e-mail and file servers, handheld/mobile devices, backup tapes and network logs in civil and criminal cases, internal investigations, and cybercrime engagements. I maintain an active case load of digital forensics engagements in internal investigations, civil, criminal, and regulatory matters relating to (but not limited to) document authentication, the theft or misappropriation of intellectual property or other data, database analytics, loss of data under legal hold, computer hardware forensics and data recovery, and investigations into computer intrusions or hacking.

Mesirow Financial

**Senior Vice President** 

**Company Name Mesirow Financial Consulting** 

Dates Employed Aug 2012 - Nov 2014

**Employment Duration 2 yrs 4 mos** 

**Location Greater New York City Area** 

At Mesirow Financial Consulting, I led the Technology Advisory Services (TAS) practice, a team of experts that focus on Computer Forensics, Electronic Discovery, Computer Security, and Data Analytics / Data Transformation. The goal of the TAS team is to help clients in litigation, bankruptcy, or with internal security or investigative matters, understand and balance the risks with cost saving options to get them to a better resolution. We utilize our years of technology and legal experience to help our clients navigate the challenges that arise and find creative, intelligent solutions.

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#### **Director**

**Company Name Protiviti** 

Dates Employed Mar 2006 – Jun 2012

**Employment Duration 6 yrs 4 mos** 

**Location Greater New York City Area** 

Protiviti, a subsidiary of Robert Half International, acquired PG Lewis & Associates in early 2006 to expand their Computer Forensics capabilities. At Protiviti, I took my forensics and eDiscovery career to the next level, both individually and as a key component of the Computer Forensics, Electronic Discovery, and Records Management team. I continued to increase the depth of my knowledge of hardware, operating systems, and forensic tools, including EnCase, FTK, and Paraben's suite of tools. I also developed deep expertise in MS SQL, LAW PreDiscovery from LexisNexis, Concordance, Relativity, Identity Finder, and other tools. I continued working as an expert in the courts and expanded to include State, Federal, Chancery, and Bankruptcy courts. I prepared affidavits, declarations, and expert reports, and offered testimony in deposition, at hearings, and as an expert witness at trail in courts across the country, including a matter where I functioned as a third party neutral expert handling sensitive data to help resolve issues of spoliation. I significantly expanded my Computer Security incident response and investigation capabilities and achieved my Qualified Security Assessor (QSA) certification from the PCI Security Standards Council. From a team perspective, I led the Computer Forensics and Electronic Discovery team in Protiviti's New York office and expanded the group's capabilities in Chicago, Orlando, Dallas, Los Angeles, London, Paris, Frankfurt, Beijing, Hong Kong, New Delhi, Hyderabad, and Tokyo. Through the right combination of tools, technology, methodology, and training, we were able to offer data collection, eDiscovery processing, and forensic / security investigation services utilizing a mix of local and remote resources to provide our clients with the best combination of expertise and cost savings, resulting in exceptional value.

P.G. Lewis Associates LLC

**Company Name PG Lewis & Associates** 

Dates Employed Dec 2003 - Mar 2006

**Employment Duration 2 yrs 4 mos** 

**Location Whitehouse Station, NJ** 

PG Lewis & Associates was the company where I shifted my focus to Computer Forensics and Electronic Discovery, leveraging my background in technology. I starting by performing forensic acquisitions or collections using my knowledge of computer hardware to successfully extract and capture data while following forensic protocols. I also used my knowledge of operating systems to assist in investigations and forensic examinations. Quickly, I became the highest level technical resource on the team having gained significant skill in using EnCase from Guidance Software, FTK from AccessData, and other forensic tools. After developing my forensic examination skills, I moved into case management and began leading forensic investigation and electronic discovery projects, consulting with clients and their legal counsel, managing teams of people on the acquisition and examination, and providing the final level of review before materials went to the client. In addition to developing my skills in forensic tools, hardware, and procedure, I also gained several certifications, including EnCE, CCE, and Linux+. At PG Lewis & Associates, I also began working as an expert in state and federal courts. I was deposed, authored affidavits, declarations, and expert reports on multiple matters as well as attending hearings and trial.



**Support Engineer** 

Company Name Fidelia Technology, Inc.

Dates Employed Feb 2003 – Sep 2003

**Employment Duration 8 mos** 

**Location Princeton, NJ** 

At Fidelia, I helped with all aspects of their monitoring product, from consulting with the programming team and leadership on product development, to assisting in the sales cycle as a technical expert, to supporting existing clients and performing implementations. I also maintained the company's IT infrastructure in their Princeton, NJ headquarters. Working for Fidelia, I continued to hone my consulting and skills while adding deep expertise with Red Hat Linux and MySQL databases.



#### **Systems and Network Management Consultant**

**Company Name Measurable Solutions, Inc.** 

Dates Employed Jul 2000 - Aug 2002

**Employment Duration 2 yrs 2 mos** 

**Location Rockaway, NJ** 

I joined Measurable Solutions in 2000 in order to expand my consulting skillset. Measurable was a consulting company that provided computer systems and network monitoring consulting to large, enterprise class clients that relied heavily on their technology in order to conduct business. At Measurable Solutions, I would consult with clients to understand their technology infrastructure and identify the components that were business critical. Then, I would help the clients choose from amongst the best of breed monitoring products, and help them implement and integrate the products together into an overall monitoring solution. At Measurable Solutions, I developed deep skills in Sun Solaris, IBM AIX, as well as Oracle databases, the Remedy Help Desk system, and the Perl programming language. I also gained expert level capabilities, as well as professional certifications, in several of the leading monitoring products including, Micromuse Netcool, HP OpenView – Network Node Manager, and InfoVista.



**Network Services Engineer** 

Company Name Maintech / Volt

Dates Employed Apr 1999 – Jul 2000

**Employment Duration 1 yr 4 mos** 

**Location Warren, NJ** 

Maintech, a subsidiary of Volt Information Sciences, Inc. acquired MC<sup>2</sup> in 1999. At Maintech, I continued to design, implement, support, and repair networks, servers, and PCs. With the large technology client base of Maintech, our focus switched to primarily larger networks and datacenters. The technology was still primarily made by; Compaq, HP, Dell, Toshiba, IBM, Cisco, 3Com, WatchGuard, and Guardian. Working at Maintech I continued to build the depth of my technical skills as well as gaining broad experience with the technologies involved in large datacenters and vast wide area networks.

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#### **Network Services Engineer**

**Company Name MC<sup>2</sup> Corporation** 

<u>Dates Employed Jul 1998 – Apr 1999</u>

**Employment Duration 10 mos** 

Location Warren, NJ

MC² (MC squared) was a network integration company. I worked on computer systems of all types and sizes from PCs and small networks to large datacenters. I designed, implemented, supported, and repaired networks, servers, and PCs all over the east coast. Some of the primary technologies I worked with were made by; Compaq, HP, Dell, Toshiba, IBM, Cisco, 3Com, WatchGuard, and Guardian. Working at MC² is where I built strong technology skills and a deep understanding of Microsoft Windows and Novell Netware operating systems, PC and server hardware, and networking hardware and design. I also gained Microsoft certifications in Windows NT Server 4 and Windows 95, demonstrating the level of expertise I had quickly achieved.

## **Education**

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### **Gill St. Bernards**

<u>Degree Name High School</u>

Dates attended or expected graduation 1996 – 1998