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## Personal Profile

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*Experienced, proven, and dedicated intelligence community practitioner and leader, with the education, proficiency, and experience to teach, prepare, and guide others to understand and address the complexities of our nation's delicate social balance and various emerging threats with the goal to keep our nation and people safe.*

## Education

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- *NOVA Southeastern University, Davie, FL (2015–2018)*  
**Ph.D., Criminal Justice (concentration in Organizational Leadership)**
- *National Intelligence University, Washington, DC (2011–2013)*  
**Master of Science of Strategic Intelligence (MSSI)**
- *State University of New York at Plattsburgh, Plattsburgh, NY (2002–2005)*  
**Master of Arts (M.A), Liberal Studies Administration and Leadership (minor in Education)**
- *State University of New York at Albany, Albany, NY (1991–1993)*  
**Bachelor of Arts (B.A.), Criminal Justice, minor in Sociology**
- *Mohawk Valley Community College, Utica, NY (1989–1991)*  
**Associate in Applied Sciences (A.A.S), Criminal Justice**

## Work Experience

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*Assistant Professor*      *Department of Intelligence & Security Studies*      *The Citadel*  
*06/2020 – present*

- Responsible for the in-depth quality instruction at the undergraduate and graduate levels in the Intelligence and Security Studies field (in the classroom and online settings). My unique accomplishments in the Intelligence Community, Criminal Justice, Military and Public Leadership vocational fields and my advanced educational achievements highly qualify me to prepare students to become effective public and/or private leaders in their chosen fields.
- Faculty Sponsor/leader of The Citadel's *Coast Guard Officer Training Program*
  - Lead/mentor Cadets on their desire to become a member of the U.S. Coast Guard.

- Developed two curriculum courses as part of the Coast Guard's Auxiliary University Program
- Authored a total of 20 undergraduate and graduate level syllabi and created the courses in the CANVAS learning portal.
- Provide mentoring to students as part of the Department's Intelligence Community Mentoring program, based on my extensive real-world experience and knowledge, who are seeking guidance.
- Developed 2 original intelligence-themed graduate courses, which were approved for full-time usage in the Intelligence and Security Studies program.
- Authored 12 letters of recommendation on behalf of students applying for graduate school, applying for Military Commission, and/or for Federal Law Enforcement positions.
- Provide ethical leadership guidance to individuals aspiring to become leaders in all facets of the Public and/or Private arenas.
- Teach and highly encourage *Critical Thinking* techniques and skills in all my work.
- Provide sound perspectives and awareness to the Intelligence and Security Studies Department Head and other faculty members based on my extensive practical knowledge regarding doctoral program planning and National/International Intelligence professional development platforms.

***Commander (O5)***  
***06/2006 - present***

***U.S. Coast Guard (Reserves and Active Duty)***

- Currently assigned as the United States Coast Guard's (USCG) *Senior Reserve Officer* at the Maritime Intelligence Fusion Center at Dam Neck, VA, leading and mentoring 21 reservists in various intelligence collection platforms to support the USCG active operations. Ensure deployment readiness, manage compliance with annual training and medical requests.
- Specially selected by U.S. Coast Guard (USCG) Emergency Command officials (8 Dec 22 end date) to the Fort Myers, Florida to assist with relief efforts based on Hurricane Ian. *Emergency Preparedness Liaison Officer* and *Area Representative*, working the Joint and Inter-Agency operating environment to include USCG 7th
- *Emergency Preparedness Liaison Officer* assigned to the USCG First District (Boston, MA). (10/1/2021 – 09/30/2022.)
- Provided sound response and direction regarding work with joint DoD services and civilians (senior leadership) in the maritime profession, providing crucial resources for international engagements, planning and exercise efforts, maritime security initiatives, and other regional efforts with the J9 U.S. Indonesia-Pacific Command. Maritime security initiatives are frequently at the Top-Secret/SCI level. (07/01/2018 – 09/30/2021).
- Successfully completed highly competitive Active-Duty Intelligence billet with the USCG 5th District Intelligence Office. Produced/disseminated pertinent law enforcement intelligence to USCG customers/partners. Collaborated with other federal, state, and local law enforcement/intelligence agencies to increase operational effectiveness and situational awareness. Trained newly assigned members to the unit

in USCG intelligence program; joint law enforcement/intelligence gathering initiatives with other members of the intelligence community; and professional development initiatives, including providing training to enlisted members with required training for advancement/promotion. (08/08/2016 – 06/30/2018).

- Achieved USCG *Intelligence Professional* competency.
- Supervised 2 junior officers and 3 enlisted members.
- Managed USCG assets in the 5th District area and responsible for intelligence collections and intelligence requirements.
- Managed requests for information needs/requests from USCG “field” members and/or intelligence personnel requesting information based on criminal investigations and/or operational needs.
- *Training Officer* and *Intelligence Officer* at Port Security Unit (PSU) 301. Developed short- and long-range training plans and monthly training schedules; ensured unit training and Personnel Qualification Standards program were established/implemented within standards. Implemented training for newly reported personnel. (10/1/2013–07/01/2016).
- *Intelligence Officer* responsible for receiving, evaluating, and disseminating critical information to/from joint security port partners and other law enforcement/intelligence agencies regarding any threats or security issues relating to key assets (shoreside critical infrastructure, high value vessels, personnel, etc.).
- *Leader* of 50-member unit as part of a multiagency (DoD, DHS, etc.) earthquake exercise in Anchorage, AK (3/17/2014 to 4/10/2014).

***Criminal Justice & Homeland Security Professor***

***Trident Technical College***

***01/2020 – 08/23***

- Responsible for the in-depth quality instruction (in classroom & online settings) using my unique and extensive vocational experience and educational accomplishments. Prepare students to become leaders in their field, or for advancement to a 4-year institution, or providing the necessary instruction and knowledge to advance their current careers.
- Authored 18 Syllabi at the undergraduate level.
- Created 20 courses in the Desire to Learn (D2L) learning portal.

***Adjunct Criminal Justice Professor***

***Charleston Southern University***

***06/2019 – 05/21***

- Responsible for providing quality instruction (in the classroom & online settings) to undergraduate and graduate students who desire to become public leaders.
- Authored 5 syllabi in courses at the undergraduate and graduate level.
- Created 5 courses in for the Blackboard learning portal.
- Responsible for providing mentorship with integrity based on my extensive and deep intelligence, and military public service experience and service.
- Effectively communicate clear course expectations, evaluations, and timelines within well-developed course design and syllabi leading to desired exceptional student learning outcomes.
- Provide thought-provoking/challenging “real-life” case study examples/discussions to

students to engage students with a “real-time/professional education.”

- Positively challenge, engage, serve, and communicate with students to encourage participation and learning, while maintaining mutual value and respect of others, especially when discussing sensitive issues.

***Private Investigator***  
***08/2018 – 08/2020***

***JLA Investigations & Security, N. Charleston, SC***

- Actively investigated criminal and civil cases and served judicial subpoenas in the Low County, Charleston, South Carolina area based on extensive intelligence experience.

***Investigator/Intelligence Officer (Retired) NY State Police - Office of Counterterrorism***  
***08/2003–07/2018***

- Served 16+ years in various roles as an *Investigator* with the New York State Police Bureau of Criminal Investigation, Office of Counterterrorism.
- Served honorably as sworn ***Investigator/Intelligence Officer*** assigned to the New York State Intelligence Center from 2003–2012. Collected, analyzed, and disseminated criminal intelligence in the following intelligence units: counterterrorism, street and prison gang intelligence, illegal gun intelligence, and border intelligence (often working with Canadian law enforcement).
- Honorably served on the Federal Bureau of Investigation’s (FBI’s) Joint Terrorism Task Force, FBI Albany, NY as *Task Force Officer* (TFO) for nearly 4 years. Performed the roles of *Assistant Weapons of Mass Destruction Agent* and *Federal Maritime Agent*. Served with various law enforcement agencies at all government levels to collect and investigate vital intelligence information from domestic and international terrorism perspectives. Arrested and prosecuted 20+ criminals who posed potential national security threats.
- Used my intelligence experience and training as case agent (*Lead Investigator*) on a publicized White Supremacy National Security case, which was ultimately briefed up to the Deputy Director of the FBI and the U.S. Attorney General.
- Performed collateral duties as *Assistant Weapons of Mass Destruction Coordinator* and *Federal Maritime Agent* with FBI Albany JTTF. Intelligence duties included conducting outreach with federal, state, and local stakeholders, develop partnerships, liaisons, and public tip reporting as it pertained to any Weapons of Mass Destruction (WMD) and/or maritime reporting/threats. Implemented WMD Directorate countermeasures to detect and deter specific WMD threats and vulnerabilities. Investigated WMD crimes and acts of terrorism. Provided WMD training to state and local law enforcement and first responders’ entities, highlighted areas for collaboration and provided Subject Matter Expertise. Participated in several joint partners WMD and maritime threat centric exercises as FBI Albany representative.
- Recognized for *outstanding teaching* by FBI Albany’s Special Agent in Charge and by the New York State Police’s senior leadership.

***New York State Trooper (Retired)***  
***04/1997–08/2003***

***New York State Police***

- Served nearly six years as a *New York State Trooper* and performed critical roles such as *Crime Scene Technician*, *Field Training Officer* and *First Responder* during

the 9/11 World Trade Center terrorist attacks in lower Manhattan, New York City. Promoted to *Investigator* with the New York State Police's Bureau of Criminal Investigation August 2003.

- Provided professional community service during enforcement of New York State laws, to include New York State Penal Law and New York State Vehicle and Traffic Law violations/arrests. Investigated high profile cases including fatal vehicle accidents, major drug and weapons trafficking cases, and assaults (gang).
- Served as a *Certified Crime Scene Technician* for the collection of evidence (trace, photographs, blood, latent print, etc.) and adherence to the proper chain of custody to ensure criminal convictions in Felony cases (e.g., burglaries, homicides, and sexual assault) and/or other investigations (suicides). Attended many hours of "crime scene schools" to become proficient in the investigation, proper documentation, and collection of evidence at various crime scenes.
- Attended the *Field Training Officer* (FTO) School and ultimately became a certified *Field Training Officer* training new Troopers in the field once they graduated from the New York State Police Academy and provided comprehensive training while teaching the fundamentals of becoming a noble New York State Trooper.
- Displayed tireless devotion and professionalism as a *9/11 First Responder* to the citizens of the greater New York City area and with law enforcement and emergency partners for over a seven week stretch, from September 11, 2001 – January 22, 2002, stemming from the World Trade Center terrorist attacks and subsequent security and operations details, transporting government VIP's while fostering positive community relations. During this tragedy, I worked in the following New York City boroughs: Lower and Upper Manhattan, Bronx, Brooklyn, and Queens. When I was not assigned to a New York City detail, I often worked long hours at the State's Capitol and assigned to various security posts and then worked various State Police stations (often new patrol areas not familiar with) filling in for those who were either deployed to New York City or at the State's Capitol.

***Correction Officer***  
***07/1995–04/1997***

***New York State Department of Correctional Services***

- Provided safety and security of the correctional facility, including inmates and other officers while working at Sing Sing (male maximum security) and Taconic (female medium security) Correctional Facilities.
- Vigilantly recognized any potential threats to the immediate facility's security and reported same. Often collected vital information from inmates who had a potential violent nexus towards other inmates or officers.

## **Publications**

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- **Doctoral Dissertation:** *Domestic Extremism Violence Facing U.S. Law Enforcement, How Can These Threats Be Mitigated?* – June 2018  
Published at: [https://nsuworks.nova.edu/cahss\\_jhs\\_etd/10/](https://nsuworks.nova.edu/cahss_jhs_etd/10/)
- **Master's Thesis:** *Global Prison Radicalization Leading to Terrorism: Are We*

*Winning the Battle Yet?* – July 2013

- **Master's Thesis:** *Coaching Young Athletes: The Education for a Lifetime.* – May 2005

## Certifications

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- U.S. Coast Guard *Emergency Preparedness Liaison Officer* – 08/2022
- **CANVAS Learning Portal through The Citadel – 08/2021**
- Current Top Secret/SCI clearance – Expires 06/2023
- U.S. Coast Guard *Defense Operation/Readiness Level 2 Specialty* – 12/2020
- U.S. Coast Guard *Incident Management Tier 2 Specialty* – 12/2020
- ***Higher Education Online Teaching Certificate through Quality Matters Educational Organization* – 04/2020**
- Incident Command System (ICS) Intelligence Group Supervisor – 05/2020
- Division Group Supervisor – 05/2020
- ***USCG Intelligence Officer* – 09/2017**
- Certified firearms concealment under the Law Enforcement Officers Safety Act – Current, No Expiration
- New York State Police Retired Pistol Permit – Current, No Expiration
- South Carolina Concealed Weapons Permit – Current, No Expiration

## Specialized Training

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- Multiple mandatory USCG trainings – Throughout 2022
- Multiple mandatory Trident Technical College trainings – Throughout 2022
- Multiple mandatory The Citadel Faculty trainings - Throughout 2022
- *United States Coast Guard Academy, Reserve Officer Candidate Indoctrination Commission, New London, CT - 08/2006 – 09/2006*
- *New York State Police Academy, Albany, NY – State Trooper - 04/1997-10/1997*
- *New York State Department of Corrections Academy, Albany, NY – Corrections Officer - 07/1995–08/1995*

## Other Trainings

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### Intelligence and National Security

- Cyber Awareness Challenge – Department of Defense - 2020
- Ethics and Intelligence Workshop – The Citadel: The Military College of South Carolina - 2020
- Cyber Awareness Challenge – DoD - 2019
- USINDOPACOM Intelligence Oversight Training – DoD – 2019
- Intelligence & Cybersecurity Workshop – The Citadel – The Military College of South Carolina - 2018
- Cyber Awareness Challenge – DoD - 2018
- Combating Trafficking in Persons Course – DoD – 2013
- Intelligence Analyst Course – DoD - 2010

### Counter-Terrorism and National Intelligence

- USINDOPACOM Counterintelligence and Insider Threat Awareness and Reporting –



Instructor Led Training – DoD - 2018

- Initial Staff Training and Orientation Program USINDOPACOM – DoD - 2018
- Level I Antiterrorism Awareness Training – DoD – 2018
- Intelligence Analyst Certification Course (includes 6 mandatory unclassified courses, 4 classified courses, a 20-page personnel qualification standard workbook completion attended and displayed proficiency at the multiagency Basic Intelligence Threat Analysis Course – USCG & Department of Homeland Security (DHS) - 2017
- Basic Intelligence Threat Analysis Course (11 weeks) – Mobile – DHS - 2017
- White Supremacy Extremism Strategic Workshop – FBI - 2016
- Weapons of Mass Destruction (WMD) Operations Course – FBI - 2015
- Radical Anti-Government Movement & Domestic Terrorism Course – U.S. Department of Justice (DOJ) - 2015
- Sovereign Citizen Extremism/Anti-Terrorism Course – DOJ - 2015
- Weapons of Mass Destruction (WMD) Workplace Safety - FBI - 2014
- WMD Coordinator’s Course – FBI - 2014
- Anti-Terrorism Level 1 Awareness Training – DoD - 2013
- Awareness 187-W Terrorism and Weapons of Mass Destruction (WMD) Awareness in the Workplace – Federal Emergency Management Agency - 2012
- Sovereign Citizens/Radical Extremists – U.S. Department of Justice (DOJ) - 2012
- Introduction to International Terrorism – Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) - 2012
- Introduction to Domestic Terrorism – FBI - 2012
- Joint Terrorism Task Force Operations Course – FBI - 2012
- Maritime Infrastructure Protection – DHS - 2010
- Great Lakes Marine Intelligence Conference with Department of Homeland Security and Canadian Border Services Agency – DHS - 2008
- Seaport Security/Antiterrorism Course – USCG - 2008
- USCG Introduction to Intelligence Course – USCG/DHS – 2007
- Port of Albany and Terrorism Awareness – DHS – 2007

## **Maritime Security Intelligence**

- Incident Command System (ICS) 339 – Division/Group Supervisor – USCG - 2017
  - ICS 346 – Situation Unit Leader - USCG
  - ICS 402 – Liaison Officer – USCG
  - ICS 430/440 – Operations and Planning Section Chief – USCG
  - ICS 620 – Area Command (RIC/NIC) – USCG
- Port Maritime Liaison Agent Strategic Workshop – FBI - 2016
- Security Unit Skills Course – USCG - 2014
- Maritime Liaison Agent Training Program – FBI - 2014

## **Academic Instruction**

- Quality Matters Educational Management Organization online training/teaching certificate courses - 2020
  - Assessing Your Learners; Gauging Your Technology Skills; Exploring Your Institutions Policies; Orienting Your Online Learners; Connecting Learning

Theories to Your Teaching Strategies; Creating Presence in Your Online Course;  
Evaluating Your Course Design

- Discrimination Awareness – The Citadel - 2020
- FERPA – The Citadel – 2020, 2023
- Slips, Trips and Falls – The Citadel - 2020
- Stewards of Children – The Citadel - 2020
- Title IX – The Citadel – 2020, 2023
- Canvas Fundamentals – The Citadel - 2020
- Best Practices in Assessments – The Citadel - 2020
- Curriculum Mapping, Alignment, and Parity – The Citadel - 2020
- Best Practices in Teaching Online – The Citadel - 2020
- Studio & Zoom – Advanced – The Citadel - 2020
- Canvas Creating Quizzes & Tests – The Citadel - 2020
- Canvas Creating Assignments & Discussions – The Citadel - 2020
- Respondus online training – The Citadel - 2020

## **Emergency Management**

- Joint Medical Executive Skills Institute (JMESI) Leadership courses (14 total) – DoD - 2020
- Emergency Preparedness Response Course (EPRC) – Operator Course (8 hours) – DoD - 2020
- JFC 100 Module 08: Interorganizational Cooperation and Multinational Operations – DoD - 2020
- JFC 200 Module 03: Interorganizational Coordination – DoD - 2020
- Joint Force Commander (JFC) 100 Module 01: Introduction to Joint Fundamentals – DoD - 2018
- JFC 100 Module 03: Joint Operations – DoD - 2018
- JFC 100 Module 05: Joint Operations Planning – DoD - 2018
- JFC 100 Module 06: Joint Command, Control, and Communication – DoD - 2018
- Operating in a Joint Environment at USINDOPACOM – DoD - 2018
- Defense Support of Civil Authorities Phase I Course – DoD - 2018
- Emergency Preparedness Liaison Officer Professional Seminar – USCG: February 2022
- Joint Emergency Preparedness Liaison Officer Proficiency Course – DoD: May 2022
- Emergency Preparedness Liaison Officer Proficiency Course – USCG: August 2022

## **Exceptional Proficiencies**

- Online and classroom teaching Learning Management System proficiency in *Canvas*, *Blackboard* and the *D2L* system, course design, instructional materials, instructor presence, assessment, how to address academic integrity, monitor learner progress, develop, and use rubrics for assessment, and assess teaching and develop an inclusive syllabus.
- Comprehensive public service and educational background in the Intelligence, Criminal Justice, Military, and National Security fields with special emphasis on domestic and international terrorism groups/actors; Basic and Advanced Analytics; Homeland



Security Policies and Operations; various policing techniques and community policing; military intelligence and operations; maximum and medium security prisons (practice and research); and Law and Society (practice and research).

- Robust criminal investigations background, including the collection of and analyzing key data, in areas such as International and Domestic Terrorism, maritime criminal investigations and general crimes/criminal investigations.
- Proficient in all Microsoft Applications (Excel, Word, PowerPoint, Access, Outlook)
- Strong devotion to in the areas of life skills, athletics, and professional development.
- USCG Rifle Marksman Ribbon; USCG Pistol Sharpshooter Ribbon; USCG Pistol Marksman Ribbon

## Awards

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- Coast Guard Unit Commendation Ribbon for the outstanding unit service while supporting U.S. INDOPACOM's missions during the COVID-19 pandemic.
- Joint Service Commendation Medal for outstanding service while assigned to the U.S. INDOPACOM Combatant Command from 10/2018 – 09/2021. Received from the U.S. Army's Chief of Staff.
- Department of Defense Joint Meritorious Unit Award for outstanding support and expertise in roles for 3 joint exercises while assigned to the U.S. INDOPACOM's J9 Directorate 01/2018 – 12/2020.
- USCG Commendation Medal for outstanding achievement while assigned as the 5th District's Intelligence Branch Senior Analyst from 08/2016–06/2018.
- USCG Meritorious Team Commendation Ribbon (3 awards) 1 for the outstanding service in supporting U.S. Coast Guard District 7's emergency management plan during Hurricane IAN's emergency response from 10/2022 – 12/2022; 1 for providing/exchanging vital intelligence with other agencies during the 2017 presidential inauguration (01/2017) and 1 commendation for the Alaska Earthquake exercise (07/2015).
- Recognized for my dedication, professionalism, and outstanding contribution to the mission of the JTTF by FBI Albany's Special Agent in Charge. 07/16
- Recognized for outstanding teaching efforts by FBI Albany's Special Agent in Charge and by the New York State Police's senior leadership. 05/2016
- USCG Achievement Medal (2) for outstanding service and dedication to duty for role performed during the Hurricane IAN emergency response from 10/2022 – 12//2022 (Fort Myers, Florida) and at the Deepwater Horizon Environmental Disaster from May 2010 – July 2010, Gulf Region. 07/2011
- Coast Guard Special Operations Service Ribbon (2 awards) 1 for the outstanding intelligence and overall support during a sudden violent storm, while assigned to the USCG's District 5 Intelligence Branch (04/2018) and 1 award for outstanding support and service during the Deepwater Horizon incident from 05/2010 – 07/2010.
- Mobilization Device (separate award for Deepwater Horizon deployment) for Armed Forces Reserves Medal – 10/2010.
- USCG Commandant Letter of Commendation Ribbon (3 awards). 12/2008, 02/2009, 07/2011.
- Armed Forces Reserve Medal. 10/2010.

- National Defense Service Medal. 09/2006.

## **Honors and Commendations**

- Letter of commendation for helping to establish the New York State Intelligence Center in the development of information sharing capabilities with Federal Intelligence and community partners.
- Multiple letters of commendation for “outstanding service as a New York State Trooper” regarding community safety initiatives with Driving While Intoxicated (DWI) and New York State Penal Law arrests, including a letter from the New York State Police Superintendent.
- Multiple letters of commendation from the New York State Police’s Troop Detail Commanders highlighting significant efforts in areas related to law enforcement efforts in New York State, specifically, vehicle and traffic law enforcement, penal law enforcement, and adherence to criminal procedure laws.
- Letter of commendation from the New York State Police Superintendent in recognition of my efforts in identifying and seizing more than \$150,000 cash and approximately 100 pounds of marijuana stemming from a vehicle and traffic law stop in Lake George, NY.
- “Commendation letter” for assisting with investigation of a mentally unstable individual who stabbed a New York State Trooper.
- Letter of commendation for public service/diligent efforts during 9/11 deployment details in Manhattan, New York, while serving in the capacity of a New York State Trooper and First Responder.
- USCG Commanding Officer Board President “Thank You” letter from in response to excellent performance, professionalism, judgment and leadership during the Spring 2008 Reserve Captains and Commanders Assignment Panel.

## **Community/Volunteer Service**

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- Security Team Member, Seacoast Church, Emergency Response Team, Mount Pleasant, SC (05/2019 – present). Armed security team member responsible for assuring a safe and peaceful place for attendees to worship.
- U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary – Lake George, NY, Portsmouth, VA, and Mount Pleasant, SC. (01/2006–present)
- Assistant Coach – Carolina Punishers Travel Baseball Club, Summerville, SC (04/2020 – 08/2020)
- Head and Assistant Coach – Lowcountry baseball league, Mount Pleasant, SC (08/2018 – 10/2019)

## **Professional Associations**

- Delaware Valley Intelligence Center
- New Jersey Regional Operations and Intelligence Center
- North Carolina Information Sharing and Analysis Center
- South Carolina Information and Intelligence Center

- Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences
- ASC-The American Society of Criminology
- Southern Criminal Justice Association
- Intelligence and National Security Alliance (INSA)
- U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary