



# Financial Investigation Techniques in Drug and Forfeiture Cases

**Sponsored by the Drug Enforcement Administration, Atlanta Field  
Division**

**When: August 31, 2010 to September 3, 2010/8:30 am - 4:00 pm  
(Ends at Noon on Friday)**

**Where: Western Campus of Wake Tech @ 3434 Kildare Farm Rd Cary, NC  
27603 (Note change of address for class)**

## **Course Description**

Advanced curriculum presenting skills to gain and effectively use financial information to document the money trail of profit crimes and disguised payments. Specialized financial investigation methods are presented to (1) identify subjects and networks, (2) corroborate findings and charges and (3) locate hidden assets and proceeds. Course techniques conform to the Rules of Evidence for civil or criminal actions in state and federal courts.

This how-to course covers the financial investigation process from allegation to prosecution and forfeiture of assets. The course is based on proven field investigation procedures to gain admissible financial evidence for successful prosecution and forfeiture actions. The curriculum provides attendees with a financial investigation system to gather, manage, analyze and present financial data to prove drug / money laundering crimes and establish probable cause for warrants and forfeiture nexus. The curriculum is presented to include attendee participation with many practical exercises, field guides, source and use of funds case study with software, work papers, solution and critique. The curriculum includes discussion topics for attendees to develop innovative financial projects to identify local area drug, diversion and money laundering operations. The curriculum will meet training needs for financial investigation techniques to support and enhance drug / money laundering investigation, intelligence gathering and forfeiture actions.

## **Money Tracing Applications**

This course features a non-accounting cash flow analysis to convert financial information and allegations to forfeiture findings. The system corroborates charges and establishes probable cause for enforcement warrants and forfeiture. The system is accepted in state and federal courts to present financial evidence in schedules to summarize illegal proceeds and identify perpetrators for settlements, pleas, prosecution, sentencing guidelines, restitution and forfeiture actions.

## **Identify Disguised Payments**

Follow the money trail to expose sophisticated financial conspiracies. Identify deception screens to insulate and isolate individuals and organizations. Expose entities that function as conduits to skim and move illicit funds for payoffs, hush money, slush funds, kickbacks, bribes, hidden interest, special access and influence peddling.

## **Asset Forfeiture Applications**

The curriculum supports enforcement and regulatory efforts to present financial evidence as nexus for forfeiture of real and personal property gained as proceeds or from facilitating forfeiture crimes. Cash flow analysis, currency laws, public records and financial databases are stressed to expedite forfeiture cases. The control of property is documented as "constructive ownership" to overcome innocent owner and nominee defenses to forfeiture actions.

## **The Providers and Instructors**

ITI is an approved DEA Quantico / TRDS training contractor presenting financial / money laundering / forfeiture training programs. Over the past several years, ITI has presented in excess of 35 financial investigation training courses for DEA Quantico and various DEA SAC divisions. The course is consistently highly evaluated and is a prerequisite for the DEA - DOJ / AFML training course.

## **Who Should Attend**

Federal, state and local investigators, Intelligence Analysts, prosecutors, and paralegals who need to identify, trace and recover proceeds from financial crimes such as – narcotic trafficking, fraud, money laundering, CCE, corruption, RICO/racketeering, vice.

Follow all requirements for outside training set by your agency or department before enrolling in any Atlanta HIDTA class.

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