Michael "Bret" Hood

Financial Crimes, Ethics, Money Laundering and Leadership Expert



Michael "Bret" Hood is a financial crimes, ethics, money laundering and leadership expert with 25 years experience in the Federal Bureau of Investigation. During his career, Bret has worked on some of the most infamous cases in American history to include 9/11, the Oklahoma City Bombing and the multi-billion dollar HealthSouth fraud case. Because of his experience, Bret was chosen to be an adviser when the FBI created their executive leadership development programs as well as being chosen to be a leadership instructor at the FBI's National Academy, a 10 week college program for law enforcement executives from all over the world.

Bret has led over 50 United States government delegations to foreign countries and has been accepted as an adjunct professor of leadership for the University of Virginia. He has instructed and created blocks of instruction on a range of topics to include forensic accounting, executive leadership, crisis management, Foreign Corrupt Practices Act, money laundering and anti-bribery compliance programs. Some of the venues in which Bret has instructed include the National Executive Institute, the Association of Certified Fraud Examiner's Global Fraud Conference, the University of South Florida, Florida Gulf Coast University, Florida Institute of CPAs, the Malaysian Federal Reserve, regional/international law enforcement executive development seminars as well as International Law Enforcement Academies in Hungary, Dubai and Botswana.

Bret has been qualified as a financial crimes and money laundering expert in the Middle District of Florida as well as the Eastern District of Missouri. He is a four time winner of the United States Attorney's Office Special Agent of the Year award for his work in financial crime and money laundering. In addition, Bret has received two commendations from the FBI Director for Leadership and Innovation.

From 2000 to the present, Bret has traveled the world representing the United States government teaching various courses on financial crime and money laundering to various law enforcement and governmental entities around the world. Bret has served as an adjunct professor of leadership for the University of Virginia as well as a permanent guest instructor for a forensic accounting class at Florida Gulf Coast University. In 2015 and 2016, Bret was chosen to be a featured speaker at the Association of Certified Fraud Examiner's Global Fraud conferences. Bret has served as an instructor of financial crime and money laundering training for the Florida Institute of CPAs, the Association of Certified Fraud Examiners, as well as various CPA chapters around the country. Bret has written numerous scholarly articles on fraud, qui tam actions, and other financial crimes that were published in Fraud magazine as well as the University of Miami Business Law Review. Click here for Bret's Curriculum Vitae.

Expert Witness Services

Michael "Bret" Hood has over 25 years experience working financial crimes as a Special Agent and Supervisory Special Agent with the Federal Bureau of Investigation. Bret retired from the FBI in July of 2016. Here are some of the highlights of Bret's career:

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