

# Press Release

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## **RISK SOLUTIONS INTERNATIONAL PROVIDES VIOLENT BEHAVIOR EXPERTS FOR EDUCATION CLIENTS**

**(May 3, 2007, New York, NY)** – Risk Solutions International LLC, the operational risk consulting firm, has introduced direct access to its Violent Behavior Experts for the firm's Higher Education and K-12 public education clients nationwide. Dr. Marisa Randazzo, President of Threat Assessment Resources International and internationally noted expert on targeted violence in schools, heads the effort as a member of the Risk Solutions International Expert Advisory Panel.

Dr. Randazzo offers school, college and university personnel specialized training on how to assess threats and prevent violence in educational institutions. She also offers help in independently reviewing and improving district or campus policies and procedures for investigating threats and managing violent incidents.

Risk Solutions International also offers training in dealing with school hostage situations from Mr. Leon Schenck, a senior Risk Solutions International consultant. Mr. Schenck helped develop and train FBI and law enforcement hostage negotiators nationally and internationally through the FBI's Hostage Negotiation Program. During his 21 year career with the Bureau he helped resolve numerous hostage events and created the FBI's Hostage Barricade Data System and the Law Enforcement Negotiation Support System that is used by the FBI and law enforcement agencies to negotiate real time events.

The Risk Solutions International services includes classroom training at all levels, drills and live exercises, campus or district-specific assessments, policies & procedures audits, campus and community surveys and awareness research and violence management plan development.

The Risk Solutions International program leader, Dr. Randazzo, served as the Chief Research Psychologist at the U.S. Secret Service where she oversaw the Agency's behavioral and operational research on assassination, stalking, and other types of targeted violence, including a national study of school shootings that was conducted jointly by the Secret Service and U.S. Department of Education.

Dr. Randazzo has trained over 10,000 law enforcement, intelligence, and security professionals throughout the United States, Canada, and the European Union on human threat assessments, preventing campus attacks, bomb threats, managing threat investigations, navigating FERPA restrictions on information sharing, liaising between school security departments and local first responder agencies, and upgrading policies and procedures to meet contemporary concerns.

Her research is used throughout the federal, state, and local law enforcement communities and has been credited in the media with preventing planned attacks. Dr. Randazzo has testified before Congress, briefed Cabinet Secretaries and White House staff, and been interviewed by various major television, radio, and print news outlets for her work on targeted violence and threat assessment. She has published numerous articles on threat assessment and violence prevention and currently serves on the editorial board of the Journal of Threat Assessment.

"It is possible to prevent school attacks through a team approach," said Dr. Randazzo. "Training and consultation on threat assessment can help school administrators, faculty, and staff to better understand indicators that a student may pose a threat to school safety. The combination of school threat assessment training, in conjunction with other Risk Solutions International services such as campus security assessments and school hostage training, can provide schools, colleges, and universities with comprehensive violence prevention tools."

For further information about services and solutions Risk Solutions International provides its education clients, please visit <http://www.rsi-llc.com/industries/HigherEducation.html> and/or <http://www.rsi-llc.com/industries/k12.html>. College, university and public school officials who would like to speak with Risk Solutions International about its violent behavior management services should Contact Scott Corzine, Senior Vice President, at [SCorzine@rsi-llc.com](mailto:SCorzine@rsi-llc.com) or via telephone at 212-842-1582.

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