

ADVANCED EXPERT WITNESSING FOR FORENSIC LABORATORY SCIENTISTS

ADVANCED EXPERT WITNESSING is a comprehensive and impactful online workshop for forensic scientists seeking to elevate their effectiveness during courtroom testimony.

DETAILS

- 4 daily self-paced modules (*Mon - Thu*)
- Live facilitation by a professional coach
- Thought-provoking videos and articles
- Personal facilitation guides
- Personal exercises and assessments
- Facilitated group exercises
- Daily coaching checkins
- Progress tracking and measurement

LEARNING OUTCOMES

Participants of our program will experience remarkable gains in their knowledge and capacity to:

- Earn the confidence of the jury and court officers
- Build a reputation as a consummate expert witness
- Earn respect with the first two minutes of testimony
- Defend the basis of scientific conclusions
- Minimize the adverse impact of performance anxiety
- Control body language and facial expression
- Avoid common courtroom mistakes



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John is the creator and facilitator of the ADVANCED EXPERT WITNESSING program. He is an executive coach and leadership strategist with extensive experience working and leading in federal, state, and local forensic science laboratories. With nearly 30 years of experience, John has worked as a forensic scientist, laboratory director, system director, consultant, and instructor. He has a master's degree in organizational management and holds a formal certification from the Society for Human Resource Management. He was formally trained by the College of Executive Coaching and has worked with people and teams in forensic science organizations all over the United States and overseas. John is the author of two pioneering text books, *HR Management in the Forensic Science Laboratory* and *Crime Lab Report*.

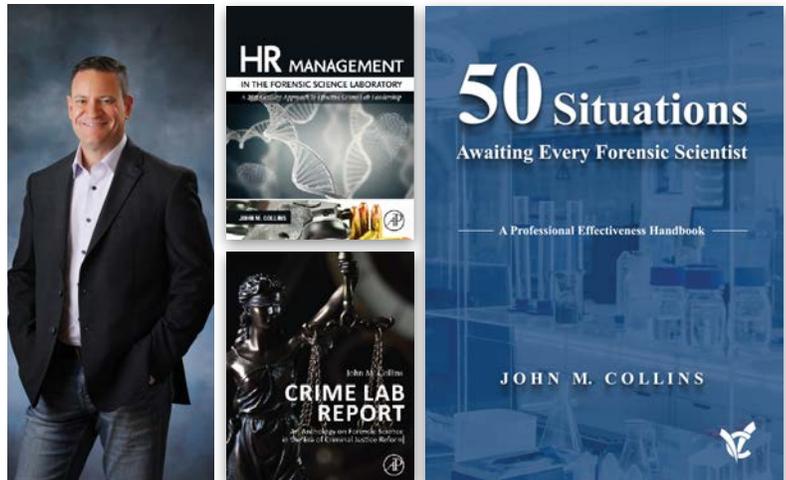
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Program Summary

- 1** ADVANCED EXPERT WITNESSING is an engaging, interactive **4-day training program** for forensic laboratory professionals seeking to elevate their effectiveness during courtroom testimony.
 - 2** Participants are **guided through daily learning modules** supported by videos, articles, personal exercises, assessments, and other tools designed to facilitate personal growth and reflection.
 - 3** An online chatroom allows participants to communicate with each other and share personal learning insights gained from each day's content.
 - 4** The program is taught and facilitated by John M. Collins, a highly experienced expert witness who earned a reputation as being a very effective courtroom orator and defender of his conclusions.
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Program Topics

- Preparing for Court
- Entering the Courtroom
- Crushing the First 2 Minutes
- Indicators of Credibility
- Physical Comportment
- The World's First Expert Witness
- Making the Commitment
- Managing Anxiety
- Rules of Evidence
- Judicial History of Expert Witnessing
- Styles of Testimony
- The Witnessing Process
- Professional Fitness in Expert Witnessing
- Direct Examination
- Cross Examination
- Self-Awareness and Personal Tendencies
- Charlatans and Difficult Experts
- Perspective of a Retired Judge
- Confidence and Certainty
- When Things Go Wrong
- Human Factors
- Professional Ethics and Integrity



Your facilitator, John Collins, is the author of three pioneering books on forensic science leadership, professionalism, and public policy. All our books are available at Amazon.

Time Commitment

Our program is designed to accommodate the most demanding schedules. With the exception of a live lecture on day 1, our program is entirely self-paced. Participants should expect to commit **approximately 4 hours per day over 4 days**, which can vary among participants. Students are expected to complete all lessons within 4 days.