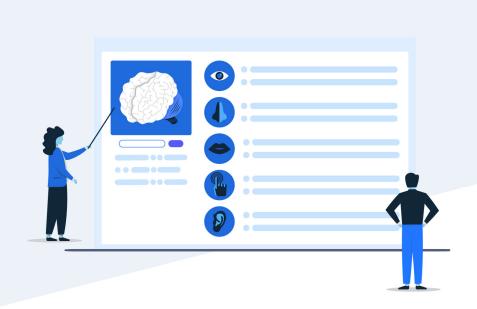


## **Instructor Biography**



## Lori Heitman

CFP-A Founder Former Supervisory Special Agent Lori D. Heitman is one of the founding faculty for Certified FETI and the founder of Dum Spiro Spero Consulting LLC. As an independent consultant, presenter and educator she continuously looks for new and creative ways to increase reporting, response, prevention, intervention and investigation in crimes against person. Currently, Mrs. Heitman is purposefully focused on developing a Professional Wellness program within Certified FETI providing first responders, advocates, judicial professionals and various other disciplines with the knowledge skills and ability to maintain, thrive and grow their psychological, spiritual, physical and financial wellness over the lifespan of their career and beyond.

During her tenure as a Supervisory Special Agent with the United States Army Criminal Investigation Division Command (USACIDC) Lori established the Special Victims Unit at the Fort Leonard Wood CID office and served for over seven years as the Team Chief. While serving as a Supervisory Special Agent, Lori was chosen to be a Lead Instructor and contributor to the Special Victims Capabilities Course (SVCC) conducted by the Behavioral Sciences Education and Training Division of the United States Army Military Police School (USAMPS) where she co-developed and instructed the internationally recognized best practice known as the Forensic Experiential Trauma Interview (FETI) approach. She is a subject matter expert in crimes against persons, including the highly specialized area of adult and child sexual assault investigations. Lori has over 20 years of law enforcement, investigative and training/education experience.

Mrs. Heitman is a nationally recognized expert in child abuse, domestic violence and sexual assault investigations. Lori was routinely sought out to contribute technical assistance, aid in policy development and provide anecdotal insight in briefings conducted with Congressional staffers, Department of Defense leadership, local community partners and State and Federal agencies who were seeking to improve their understanding and response to crimes against persons cases.

Lori had the distinct opportunity to work for and collaborate with the US Army's Sexual Assault Prevention and Response Program as a trainer and educator for commanders, first responders and advocates in the European Theater with multiple assignments to include a brief deployment to Kosovo and training assignments at the NATO Headquarters in Brussels. Lori has routinely taken every opportunity to educate and challenge herself. Mrs. Heitman attributes much of her professional success and wellness to the phenomenal mentorship, leadership and colleagues she has had the privilege to work with and learn from throughout her professional career.

Lori has been and continues to be sought after as a plenary speaker, workshop

presenter, and educator by Federal, Military, State, and local multidisciplinary and law enforcement organizations. She has continued to shape and challenge our nation to improve response, investigation, and prosecution of the most horrendous crimes committed against innocent and often the most vulnerable victims in our society. Lori's compassion is coupled with unwavering integrity and she is proud to stand in the breach to protect and serve. She passionately continues to challenge the status quo to ensure the promises of our criminal justice system are always kept.

Lori graduated Magna Cum Laude from The University of Oklahoma with a Master's in International Relations and a concentration in Intercultural Communications. Lori has a true passion for investigating and responding to survivors of sexual assault, domestic violence and child abuse. Her empathic response and consistent drive to find a better way to meet victims where they are has set her apart as a Federal Agent, Consultant and Educator. She is a consummate forward-thinking professional with acute psychological insight and intellectual daring who was and is routinely sought out to conduct the most sensitive and challenging investigations where she has had unmitigated success.