

## **Leighton D'Antoni**

Assistant District Attorney Leighton D'Antoni has spent the last 9 years as the Chief for the Dallas County District Attorney's (DA's) Sexual Assault Kit Initiative (SAKI) Cold Case Team specializing in Cold Case Sexual Assault Homicides, Sexual Assaults and Serial Rapists identified through the testing of untested sexual assault kits. The Dallas DA's SAKI Team has identified over 90 serial offenders accounting for over 600 victims. In the summer of 2020, Leighton lead a multi-agency task force, including the FBI and the Dallas Police Department, in the investigation of a prolific cold case serial rapist from the early 1980's using Investigative Genetic Genealogy (IGG). Using IGG, a suspect was identified and arrested. The suspect later confessed to committing over 30 home invasion aggravated sexual assaults. It was the first time in Dallas County history, a suspect was identified, arrested, and convicted using FIGG. Since 2020, the Dallas County SAKI Cold Case Team has secured 14 indictments for capital murder and sexual assault cases solved using IGG.

## **Jon Habben**

Special Agent (SA) Jon Habben has over 19 years of law enforcement experience as an FBI SA assigned to the Los Angeles Field Office. Since 2004, SA Habben has been assigned to the Orange County Resident Agency, investigating various white-collar violations such as cyber matters and health care fraud. SA Habben has traveled overseas to look into international corruption in Afghanistan and served as an Operator on the FBI Los Angeles SWAT team for 10 years. In 2019, SA Habben began working with the FBI's Investigative Genetic Genealogy (IGG) Team in Los Angeles. His efforts have helped to resolve dozens of cold case violent crimes nationwide. SA Habben continues to work with federal, state, and local agencies using genealogy to resolve cases of some of the nation's most violent crimes.

## **Mark James**

Special Agent (SA) Mark James has 19 years of law enforcement experience as an FBI SA assigned to the Baltimore Field Office investigating gangs, narcotics, and violent crimes. Since March 2020, SA James has been the East Region Team Leader of the FBI Investigative Genetic Genealogy (IGG) Team, which is responsible for conducting IGG on violent crime and unidentified human remains cases on the East Coast of the United States. The East Region FBI IGG Team has been responsible for the successful resolution of numerous violent crimes—including rapes and murders—and the identification of unknown homicide victims.

## **Stephanie Mellinger**

Staff Operations Specialist (SOS) Stephanie Mellinger works with the FBI in its Baltimore Field Office. SOS Mellinger began her career with the FBI in 2006 as a biologist at the FBI laboratory in Quantico, Virginia, working in both the Mitochondrial and Nuclear DNA Units. In 2016, SOS Mellinger transferred to the FBI Baltimore Field Office, where she has worked on the Violent Crimes Task Force. Since March 2020, she has been a certified member of the FBI Baltimore Investigative Genetic Genealogy (IGG) Team, which has resolved numerous violent crime and unidentified human remains cases.

## **Sean Regan**

Special Agent (SA) Sean Regan has 28 years of law enforcement experience. He has been with the FBI as an SA for over 16 years and is currently assigned to the Baltimore Field Office. He is the Primary Behavioral Analysis Unit (BAU) Coordinator for FBI Baltimore and a certified FBI Interview and Interrogation Instructor. Prior to joining the FBI, he spent 12 years as a Trooper with the Pennsylvania State Police. Since March 2020, SA Regan has been a certified member of the FBI Baltimore Investigative Genetic Genealogy (IGG) Team, which has resolved numerous violent crime and unidentified human remains cases.

## **Amy Whitman**

Supervisory Special Agent Amy Whitman has been working Investigative Genetic Genealogy (IGG) since April 2019 and is currently leading the development of the FBI's IGG Program as the first full-time Program Manager. Prior to her current role, she was the IGG Team Leader for the West Region. SSA Whitman has assisted in solving complex IGG cases nationally and internationally. She has helped develop the FBI's IGG curriculum and regularly instructs investigators at the state, local, and federal level on best practices and use of the IGG technique. SA Whitman has been a Special Agent for over 13 years working a variety of criminal threats, to include: healthcare fraud, crimes against children, bank robberies, and threats to life. She has also served as a leader on the Los Angeles Field Office Tactical Medicine team, supporting tactical and dive operations.

## **Angela Williamson**

Dr. Angela Williamson is the Supervisor, Forensics Unit/FBI ViCAP Liaison at The United States Department of Justice, Bureau of Justice Assistance. Angela also serves as the Forensic DNA Subject Matter Expert for FBI ViCAP/BAU and assists



Law Enforcement agencies across the USA with active and cold case investigations. She developed and oversees the National Sexual Assault Kit and Cold Case Initiatives (SAKI/NCCI), along with other forensic-based programs at BJA. Angela received her doctorate in molecular biology and biochemistry from the University of Queensland in Australia. She has over 18 years of experience as a forensic specialist working on complex criminal cases and missing/unidentified persons' investigations. As a forensic scientist, Angela worked in State and Private forensic labs, and performed serological screening and DNA analysis on thousands of major crime cases. Prior to joining DOJ, she held the positions of Director of Forensic Casework at Bode Technology (America's largest private forensic DNA laboratory), and Forensics and Unknown Victim Identification Project Manager at the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children (NCMEC). At Bode she worked thousands of sexual assault cases, homicides, human remains (missing, unidentified, mass disasters), and many high-profile cases (including the Zodiac serial killer and JonBenet Ramsey homicide). At NCMEC Angela oversaw forensic/biometric services, assisted in the identification of child homicide victims, and helped solve cold case homicides. She has extensive knowledge of current forensic practices and emerging technologies and routinely trains law enforcement in all aspects of Forensics, including advanced DNA techniques for crime scene evidence. In 2018 and 2020, Angela received the United States Department of Justice Assistant Attorney General's Distinguished Service Award for outstanding contributions to the mission and goals of the Office of Justice Programs. In 2019, Angela received the International Homicide Investigators Association Award for Excellence for her role in the Samuel Little serial killer investigation.