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JOHN KWASNOSKI is Professor Emeritus of Forensic Physics at Western New England College, Springfield, MA after thirty-one years on the faculty. He is a certified police trainer in more than twenty states. And has instructed prosecutors and police on over 100 occasions. He is the crash reconstructionist on the “Lethal Weapon - DWI Homicide” team formed by the National Traffic Law Center to teach prosecutors how to utilize expert witness testimony and cross examine adverse expert witnesses. He has trained with prosecutors and police on over one hundred occasions. Prof. Kwasnoski has reconstructed over 750 crashes, including multiple and single vehicle, pedestrian, motorcycle, and train crashes.

Prof. Kwasnoski served as an expert in several cases of national significance including **S. Carolina v. Susan Smith** (a mother’s drowning murder of her two children) in which he participated in the re-enactment of the drowning in a submerged automobile and the creation of a video used in the sentencing phase of the trial. He also reconstructed the multiple vehicle crash in Washington, DC in which a Russian embassy aide was charged with vehicular homicide (**U.S.A. v. Makharadze**) and subsequently pled guilty after being released from diplomatic immunity. He was the reconstructionist for the plaintiff in the case of **Ulm v. Ford Motor Co.** in which a jury awarded the plaintiff over one million dollars.

Recently Prof. Kwasnoski authored **From Crash to Courtroom: Collision Reconstruction for Lawyers and Law Enforcement** (Towerpub.com) and **Crash Reconstruction Basics for Prosecutors** for the American Prosecutors Research Institute (which may be downloaded online at ndaa-apri.org). Prof. Kwasnoski has co-authored three best-selling books for Lexis Law Publishing: **Investigation and Prosecution of DWI and Vehicular Homicide**, **Courtroom Survival**, and **The Officer’s DUI Manual**. In 1989 he authored a widely used trial manual, **Establishing Liability in Vehicular Accidents**, which presents predicate questions to introduce the technical topics of crash reconstruction in a jury-friendly and convincing manner.

Prof. Kwasnoski is the creator of “**Crash - The Science of Collisions**” a series of science and mathematics teaching materials for high school students that focuses on automobile crashes.