

# The Tools we need to: **Start By Believing**

## **\*The Neurobiology of trauma, FETI, FETI Inspired Report Writing**

In 2014, a story in Rolling Stone that put the University of Virginia under scrutiny for its handling of campus sexual assault is now being walked back through by the publication. The article told of a fraternity house gang rape at the University of Virginia. It said a woman, identified only as Jackie, was assaulted by seven men at a fraternity party. But today, Rolling Stone says, quote, "in the face of new information, there now appear to be discrepancies in Jackie's account. And we have come to the conclusion that our trust in her was misplaced." Is it possible that, now that the hormones have returned to normal and now that she has had time for her memory of the incident to return in a sequential and logical manner, that she is able to speak about what really happened?

Also in 2014, many women came out with similar stories that spanned many years that Bill Cosby assaulted them. Yet, if you read the comments below each article, it is clear that many people do not think it is possible that these women are telling the truth. They are simply "trying to cash in and make some money".

**The culture of sexual assault is riddled with disbelief and victim blaming that lead to secondary victimization and case attrition. However- there is a logical answer as to why a victims story might not add-up or why a victim of sexual assault just "laid" there and didn't fight back.**

**Joanne Archambault** will discuss the research on the **neurobiology of trauma** and the criminal justice system response to sexual assault. She will explain the underlying neurobiology of traumatic events, its emotional and physical manifestation, and how these processes can impact the investigation and prosecution of sexual assault. She will facilitate Dr. Rebecca Campbell's webinar whose work is a game changer.

### **The Forensic Experiential Trauma Interviews, or FETI:**

is a new technique being employed by **Russell W. Strand**, and has already been proven to be a "game changer" in the investigation and prosecution of many child abuse and sexual abuse cases. Working off of the understanding of the "BRAIN on TRAUMA", The FETI technique in domestic and sexual violence cases is emerging as an extremely promising strategy for increasing successful interventions, investigations and prosecutions. The FETI technique draws on the best practices of child forensic interviews, critical incident stress management, and motivational interview techniques that combine them into a simple, three-pronged approach; unlocking the trauma experience in a way that can be better understood.

Law enforcement professionals must conduct a thorough investigation, the FETI technique can really help in that process. The next step is for them to provide prosecutors a thorough, written report in order to support the charges filed. **Joanne Archambault** will talk about **HOW to translate the FETI technique to a written report** that will further support prosecution.

**FLAGSTAFF: September 29th, 2015**

**8:30am-4pm**

**Radisson Woodlands Flagstaff**

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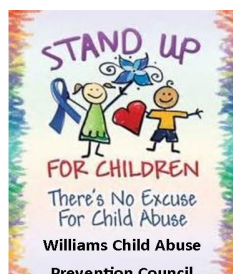
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## Biographies:

### **Joanne Archambault, Sergeant (Retired San Diego PD), Executive Director; EVAW International [www.evawintl.org](http://www.evawintl.org)**

In January 2003, Ms. Archambault founded EVAW International, a non-profit organization dedicated to providing affordable training for all disciplines with an emphasis on the law enforcement investigation and proper criminal justice responses to sexual assault and domestic violence.

EVAW International also supports and conducts research on the sexual assault of women and adolescents. In April 2010, Ms. Archambault was honored by U.S. Attorney General Eric Holder for her decades of tireless work on behalf of sexual assault victims, a prestigious National Crime Victims' Service Award for Allied Professionals.

On October 27, 2010, Ms. Archambault was invited to meet with President Obama and Vice President Biden for the first assembly on violence against women to ever be held at the White House.

Prior to full time consulting work, Ms. Archambault worked for the San Diego Police Department for almost 23 years, until her retirement in October 2002. Ms. Archambault has written and co-authored numerous articles and chapters on various subjects relating to the criminal justice response to sexual assault crimes. They address topics such as: the role of law enforcement, the Forensic Examination, the impact of DNA and overcoming a consent defense. She has lectured extensively to multi-disciplinary audiences on the role of law enforcement in the investigation of Sex Crimes throughout the U.S. and abroad.



**Russell Strand** is currently the Chief of the U.S. Army Military Police School Behavioral Sciences Education & Training Division. Mr. Strand is a retired U.S. Army CID Federal Special Agent with an excess of 39 year's law enforcement, investigative, and consultation experience. Mr. Strand has specialized expertise, experience and training in the area of domestic violence intervention, critical incident peer support, and sexual assault, trafficking in persons and child abuse investigations.

Mr. Strand has also assisted in the development and implementation of Department of Defense (DOD) training standards, programs of instruction, and lesson plans for Sexual Assault Response Coordinators (SARC), victim advocates, chaplains, criminal investigators, first responders, commanders, and health professionals. He is a member of the Defense Family Advocacy Command Assistance Team and Department of the Army Fatality Review Board. He is also recognized as a national/ DoDs subject matter expert and consultant in the area of spouse and child abuse, critical incident peer support and sexual violence.

**He has developed a new interview technique known as the Forensic Physiological Trauma Interview (FETI).** FETI is a new technique being employed by Army CID special agents and other criminal investigators trained by Strand, and has already been proven to be a "game changer" in the investigation and prosecution of many child abuse and sexual abuse cases.



Mr. Strand was inducted in the United States Army Military Police Hall of Fame in 2011. He was also selected to receive the 2012 End Violence Against Women International Visionary Award in recognition of his impact, vision and leadership in ending violence against women around the world.