



Security is a Proactive Situational Discipline

Because security programs are situational and proactive, no two security programs alike. The implicit inference herein, is that every security program, no matter what the affected industry, must be driven by unique set of quantified needs, pursuant to the associated ambient threat environment. The inference herein is that each security program is unique, as determined by the ambient threat milieu. The goal of every security program is too reasonably mitigate security risks applicable to employees, customers, and visitors, as well as property.

The scope of each security program must also be industry specific, as well as location specific. The assumed objective is to reasonably protect customers/clients, as well as assets. Most security programs are held to a reasonable standard of care model. For example, the security needs of a hospital are differentiated for the security needs of a hotel. The security needs of a pharmaceutical company are differentiated from the needs of an auto assemble plant. The security needs of a manufacturing operation are distinguished from the of a chemical plant. We raise these issues to further support the notion of the unique nature of each security program.

With regard to security, there are also variations attached to the dynamic ambient threat environment. When assessing the security needs of any enterprise, consideration must be always given the ambient and quantified threat environment.

Finally, security is also a multidimensional discipline. Therefore, security programs must consider such disciplines such as the application of **CPTED** (crime prevention through environmental design) principles, **electronic security solutions**, **video surveillance systems**, as well as the possible usage of **uniformed security personnel**, to name just a few.

In order to apply the aforementioned applications, as well as other potential methodologies, a thorough security assessment review is a must. *You cannot know where you are going if you do not know where you have been.* The opinions we are introducing are predicated of several our years of security management experience, as well as our extensive experience as expert witnesses for security driven lawsuits on behalf of both plaintiffs and defendants. We fully understand the successes of well-founded security operations, as well as the consequence of inadequate security operations.



The mission of most security programs is to adequately protect people and assets reasonably. If you consider these goals to be important, periodic, and objective security reviews are a must.

Finally, the present pandemic has impacted the blueprint of contemporary security programs going forward and will do so for years to come.

Bill Nesbitt and **Drew Necker** have over eighty years of combined security management experience, including in-house security management, security lecture presentations, both the guard and electronic security industry, as well as **extensive experience as experts for security driven litigation**. We fully understand the consequences of inadequate security operations. We have been retained for hundreds of cases over the past 30 years, covering over 30 states and territories. With few exceptions, the direct and indirect costs of litigation is exponentially greater than to costs of being proactive. Our recommendation is to strive to mitigate security lawsuits before-the-fact. If you accept the notion that security is an anticipatory discipline, periodic security reviews are a must.

If your goal is to mitigate security shortfalls, a wholistic security review is the best first step. **SMSI** welcomes the opportunity to provide your organization with a site-specific proposal along with our current CV's, after a brief phone conference. We are based in **Thousand Oaks California. Drew resides in Wisconsin.**

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