

Nationally-Known Victim Advocate and Expert on Internet Crimes to Provide Keynote Address at Economic Crime Summit

RICHMOND, VA - April 30, 2002 - The Economic Crime Summit, an annual fraud prevention and training event, will feature a keynote address by Jayne Hitchcock, a nationally-known Internet crimes and security expert. Hitchcock will kick-off the event with a presentation on cyberstalking and on-line harassment at the Monday, May 6th luncheon beginning at 12:30 p.m. As president of Working to Halt Online Abuse (WHOA), she and the organization work to help victims of Internet crimes fight back by lecturing, providing messages of hope through success stories to victims, and conducting training workshops for law enforcement throughout the country.

"Although cybercrimes are covered by the media and through conferences such as this, cyberstalking and on-line harassment are often overlooked and misunderstood," Hitchcock said. "I'm speaking at the Summit to educate and teach participants how to handle these types of cases and how to work with victims."

Hitchcock has been featured in Time Magazine, the Los Angeles Times, the Boston Globe, and on popular television shows, such as 48 Hours, A&E Investigative Reports, and Good Morning America. She joins a cast of high-profile risk management and investigative experts that will lead 40 sessions at the Economic Crime Summit.

Additional guest speakers include John Walsh, host of the television program "America's Most Wanted," who will provide a special video presentation, Howard Schmidt, Vice Chair of the President's Critical Infrastructure Protection Board, Norm Willox, Chairman of National Fraud Center, Inc. and Chief Officer for Privacy, Industry and Regulatory Affairs for the Lexis-Nexis Group, Richard R. Nedelkoff, Director of the Bureau of Justice Assistance, U.S. Department of Justice, Sarah Gordon, Senior Research Fellow at Symantec Security Response.

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The cost to attend the conference is \$395 per registrant for government and law enforcement attendees; \$495 per registrant for private business attendees. Day passes sell for \$200 on-site. For more information on the Economic Crime Summit, visit www.summit.nw3c.org.