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A retired U.S. Marine Corps Officer, Mr. Bell designed, implemented and managed the Intelligence Program for the INS that effectively fused open source and classified intelligence with the information generated by INS officers worldwide. The resulting increase in the quality and quantity of intelligence significantly improved the ability of the INS to produce predictive intelligence assessments, daily briefings and special projects for INS senior executives, as well as Operational Intelligence Reports and daily digests such as *The Borderline* and the *U.S. Border Patrol Apprehensions Update*. Both of these publications were distributed electronically and in print to dozens of U.S. government organizations, foreign intelligence services and international law enforcement agencies. These publications had a readership of over 11,000 intelligence professionals. Mr. Bell also served as a special consultant and mentor for the INS Intelligence Program targeting trafficking in, and exploitation of, women and children. Mr. Bell has combined analytical and planning skills in a variety of operations, ranging from major refugee processing programs in Haiti and Guantanamo, Cuba, to operational intelligence planning, collection, analysis and execution of a critical INS rescue and enforcement initiative. In the wake of the September 11 tragedy, his intelligence community partnerships facilitated the institution daily Top Secret briefings for the INS Commissioner and his senior staff, thus ensuring the Agency's ability to effectively react to the tragedy and also to facilitate coordination with other federal and state law enforcement as well as national security agencies.

Mr. Bell has a Masters of Science from Golden Gate University in California, a post-graduate certificate in Competitive Intelligence from Drexel University, and is a graduate of the National Senior Cryptologic Course at the National Security Agency and the Armed Forces Staff College. Currently, Mr. Bell serves as Adjunct Faculty for the graduate Competitive Intelligence Program at Trinity College, Washington, D.C., and is a member of several Criminal Intelligence Advisory Boards. He has also published and lectured on immigration intelligence issues in a number of forums around the world. Mr. Bell's foreign intelligence experience stretches from the beaches of the Caribbean and the tropical forests of Central America to the Far East. As is generally the case with a Marine, he tries to stay as close as possible to large bodies of water. Consequently he is also a Licensed Coast Guard Captain, an avid boater and advanced scuba diver.