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Alvin K. Brown, LL.M., J.D.

Security Expert Witness | Standards of Care | Negligent Security | Premises Liability | Use of Force |
Workplace Violence Prevention | Insider Threat | Executive Protection

Expert Profile

Alvin K. Brown is the Managing Director of Soter Solutions, LLC, and serves as a security expert witness, consultant, and trainer in matters involving negligent security, premises liability, use of force, workplace violence prevention, insider threat, executive protection, threat management, and security risk management. He is retained by attorneys and organizations to evaluate standards of care, foreseeability, threat assessment, security failures, incident prevention, policy adequacy, reasonableness, post-incident security review, and legally defensible protective practices. With more than 25 years of experience across intelligence, security operations, investigations, executive protection, and law, Mr. Brown offers a rare combination of legal analysis and operational credibility. His background includes service on the personal protection detail for the Director of the Central Intelligence Agency and as an Assistant State Attorney in Sixth Judicial Circuit, Pinellas County, Florida.

Why Retained

- Combines legal training and prosecutorial experience with operational security, protective, and investigative expertise.
- Offers fact-based analysis on standards of care, foreseeability, policy adequacy, and the reasonableness of protective measures.
- Assists counsel with case review, incident analysis, expert opinion development, rebuttal support, and defensible recommendations.
- Brings high-threat executive protection and intelligence experience that strengthens credibility in security-related matters.

Selected Matter Types

- Retail, hospitality, multifamily housing, and commercial property negligent security matters
- School, university, faith-based organization, and workplace violence prevention cases
- Use-of-force, protective response, executive protection, and security decision-making disputes
- Insider threat, threat assessment, post-incident security review, and policy adequacy matters across public- and private-sector settings

Representative Engagements / Opinions Offered

- Opinions regarding standards of care, foreseeability, security adequacy, policy sufficiency, and the reasonableness of protective measures.
- Evaluation of negligent security claims involving commercial, retail, hospitality, residential, educational, and faith-based settings.

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- Analysis of use-of-force decision-making, workplace violence prevention measures, threat assessment practices, and post-incident security response.
- Case review, record analysis, rebuttal support, and defensible recommendations informed by legal and operational experience.

Expert Witness Engagement Focus

- Retained in matters involving negligent security, premises liability, use of force, workplace violence prevention, insider threat, and related security failures.
- Evaluates standards of care, foreseeability, policy adequacy, training sufficiency, security reasonableness, and post-incident protective measures.
- Assists counsel with case analysis, record review, expert opinion development, rebuttal support, and defensible recommendations informed by legal and operational experience.

Retention Categories and Subject Matter Expertise

- Negligent security and premises liability
- Use of force and force decision-making
- Workplace violence prevention and threat management
- Insider threat and threat assessment
- Executive protection and protective intelligence
- Security risk assessment, standards of care, and foreseeability analysis
- Security policies, procedures, training, and legally defensible protective practices
- Investigations, counterintelligence, and post-incident review

Representative Expert Services

- Case review, document analysis, expert opinion development, rebuttal analysis, and litigation support
- Security assessments, premises evaluations, and security failure analysis
- Policy and procedure review for adequacy, compliance, reasonableness, and defensibility
- Threat assessment, workplace violence prevention planning, and insider threat mitigation
- Training design and instruction in protective practices, response tactics, and risk awareness
- Post-incident analysis, corrective recommendations, and opinions grounded in current security practice and legal defensibility

Litigation Support and Case Analysis

Mr. Brown's litigation support work includes case review, document analysis, incident evaluation, security assessments, policy and procedure review, training evaluation, expert opinion development, rebuttal support, and practical recommendations grounded in operational reality and legal defensibility. His background supports analysis involving standards of care, foreseeability, security adequacy, liability exposure, use-of-force decision-making, criminal conduct, workplace violence prevention measures, insider threat risk, and post-incident security review. He assists counsel in evaluating whether security measures, protective decisions, and organizational responses were reasonable under the circumstances presented.

Professional Experience

Soter Solutions, LLC — Managing Director

Feb 2025 – Present | Bradenton, FL

- Provides expert witness, consulting, and training services in negligent security, premises liability, use of force, workplace violence prevention, insider threat, executive protection, and security risk management.
- Advises attorneys, law firms, corporations, schools, faith-based organizations, property owners, employers, and executive leaders on standards of care, foreseeability, threat assessment, security failures, incident prevention, and legally defensible protective practices.
- Conducts case review, expert analysis, security assessments, policy review, training design, and post-incident evaluation.
- Delivers objective, fact-based recommendations informed by operational experience, legal analysis, and current security practice.

Lelantos Group, LLC — General Counsel & Principal Consultant

Jan 2023 – Present | Tampa, FL

- Advises public- and private-sector clients on security, intelligence, cybersecurity, privacy, and risk-related legal matters.
- Prepares strategic assessments and client-facing guidance on policy adequacy, risk exposure, and defensible decision-making.
- Supports consulting engagements requiring structured research, investigative analysis, stakeholder coordination, and written recommendations.

Alvin K. Brown, P.A. — Attorney & National Security Advisor

Oct 2021 – Present | Bradenton, FL

- Counsels clients on cybersecurity, insider threat, investigations, sensitive data management, and risk identification.
- Develops and evaluates intelligence, counterintelligence, and investigative programs involving source review, analysis, and defensible written assessments.
- Delivers concise briefings and advisory products tailored to executive, legal, and operational audiences.

Pinellas County State Attorney's Office — Assistant State Attorney

Prior Experience | Pinellas County, FL

- Served as an Assistant State Attorney handling criminal matters involving violent conduct, evidentiary review, charging decisions, witness preparation, and courtroom litigation.
- Developed experience relevant to reasonableness, criminal conduct, liability exposure, use-of-force review, and post-incident legal analysis.
- Worked closely with investigators, law enforcement personnel, and victims to evaluate facts, credibility, and legally sufficient evidence.

Defense Intelligence Agency — Assistant General Counsel

Jan 2021 – Oct 2021 | Tampa, FL (Remote)

- Advised senior leadership on security, insider threat, privacy, and intelligence-related legal matters affecting enterprise operations and risk management.
- Reviewed complex reporting and operational issues, helping shape accurate, defensible guidance and decision support for mission stakeholders.

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U.S. Special Operations Command — Chief, Operations Review Branch

Apr 2019 – Oct 2020 | MacDill AFB, FL

- Led reviews, inspections, and investigations involving sensitive activities, operational risk, and compliance oversight.
- Developed and evaluated policies governing unconventional warfare, intelligence, and special access program inquiries.

Jacobs — Task Lead/Senior Intelligence Advisor

May 2018 – Apr 2019 | Tampa, FL

- Managed intelligence teams across HUMINT, GEOINT, SIGINT, and analysis disciplines in support of high-priority mission requirements.
- Oversaw production workflows, resource prioritization, and delivery of timely analytical products and briefings to senior leaders.
- Integrated multi-source intelligence into coherent assessments for operational and strategic decision-makers.

FGS, LLC — Team Lead/Senior Intelligence Advisor

Dec 2016 – May 2018 | Tampa, FL

- Advised DoD and Intelligence Community clients on HUMINT, counterintelligence, and sensitive activities through tailored analytical and operational support.
- Produced intelligence reporting, research, and client-facing products to inform leadership decisions and mission planning.

Office of Naval Intelligence — Chief of Operations

Jan 2016 – Dec 2016 | Suitland, MD

- Directed intelligence operations support for Navy personnel, including collection oversight, force protection, and operational security priorities.
- Synthesized operational reporting and mission requirements into actionable guidance for leadership and supported enterprise-level coordination.

U.S. Naval Reserve — Intelligence Officer

Mar 2005 – Sep 2016 | Various Locations

- Led joint teams in CI/HUMINT program management, intelligence support, and threat mitigation across diverse mission environments.
- Produced and delivered briefings, assessments, and stakeholder coordination in support of interagency and operational objectives.

Central Intelligence Agency — Operations Officer

Jan 1999 – Nov 2002 | McLean, VA

- Served as an Operations Officer and on the personal protection detail for the Director of the Central Intelligence Agency.
- Conducted missions in high-threat environments involving intelligence collection, operational planning, protective operations, and risk mitigation.

Professional Foundation for Expert Analysis

Mr. Brown's qualifications for expert analysis are grounded in a multidisciplinary career spanning law, intelligence, executive protection, investigations, counterintelligence, security operations, and training. His background includes prosecutorial service, legal advisory work, high-threat operational assignments,

protective duties, and institutional security analysis directly relevant to negligent security, premises liability, use of force, workplace violence prevention, and insider threat matters. This combination of legal and operational experience supports clear, fact-based opinions on standards of care, foreseeability, policy adequacy, and the reasonableness of protective measures.

Education

- Master of Laws (LL.M.), International Law — Stetson University College of Law
- Juris Doctor — Stetson University College of Law
- Bachelor of Arts — University of South Florida

Admissions & Licensure

- The Florida Bar
- United States District Court, Middle District of Florida

Certifications and Specialized Training

Selected Training and Credentials:

- Protection Response Tactics (PRT) — Level 2 Instructor, Baker Defense Tactics
- Civilian Tactical (C-Tac) — Certified Instructor, Civilian Tactical Training Association
- Certified Crime Prevention Professional, Florida Attorney General's Office
- Certified Equal Employment Opportunity (EEO) Investigator, Equal Employment Opportunity Commission
- Certified Fraud Examiner (CFE), Association of Certified Fraud Examiners
- Defense Counterintelligence Agent — Department of Defense
- Counterintelligence Investigations — Department of the Navy
- Defense HUMINT Management — Department of the Navy
- Intelligence Analysis — Department of the Navy
- Intelligence Officer — Department of the Navy
- Information Warfare Dominance Officer — Department of the Navy
- Special Operations Intelligence — Department of the Navy