

YOUR AIT FORENSIC TOXICOLOGY TEAM

Our recently expanded team is committed to providing the most advanced forensic toxicology services. The Forensic Business Unit (FBU) Client Service Department is available to answer all of your forensic inquiries. Please call 800-875-3894 and select option one or email FBUCS@aitlabs.com.

OUR SALES AND OPERATIONS TEAM MEMBERS

Angela Williams - Director, National Accounts

Angela leads AIT's sales and marketing strategies related to the FBU. Angela's responsibilities include sales, marketing, contracting, strategy and tactical planning. She has over 15 years of sales and management experience, including clinical expertise. She works with clients and the support team to ensure expectations are met and superior service is provided. Angela prepares and delivers proposals, builds new relationships and fosters existing client relationships. Angela earned her undergraduate degree in Marketing at Texas A&M University in Corpus Christi, Texas, and her MBA from Spring Arbor University in Spring Arbor, Michigan. She is a certified Lean Six Sigma Yellow Belt.

Lyle Liechty - Forensic Account Executive

Lyle partners with Angela to lead sales efforts related to the FBU. Lyle has worked in various leadership roles in the healthcare industry including hospital, payer and vendor sectors. These roles included leading clinical divisions, business development, marketing, sales and strategic planning. He has also conducted several sales training courses for technology and medical companies. Lyle earned his undergraduate degree in Marketing from Indiana University and his Master of Science in Healthcare Administration & Planning from the University of Cincinnati. He completed his one year residency at Columbus Regional Hospital in Columbus, Indiana.

Matt Zollman - Forensic Operations Manager

Matt has led operations and quality in the FBU for the past 5 years. He joined AIT in 2008 as a member of the quality control team and has since transitioned to the laboratory lead in forensic operations. His responsibilities include managing a team of 22 technicians and analytical chemists. Matt's daily activities include troubleshooting and implementing quality improvements, managing daily resources to optimize turnaround time, reviewing available technologies and implementing new testing. Matt earned his Bachelor of Science in Biology from Purdue University in West Lafayette, Indiana, and his MBA from Butler University in Indianapolis.

Kate Kiser - Sales Operations Manager

Kate has just recently transitioned to the FBU focusing on client services, marketing, research, conference management and sales support. Kate comes to AIT with seven years of public sector experience in the criminal justice field. She began her career at the Indiana Attorney General's office as a paralegal and investigator in the Special Investigations Unit. She also was a researcher at the Indiana Criminal Justice Institute within the Drug and Crime Control and Traffic Safety Divisions. Kate has a Bachelor of Science in Public Affairs from Indiana University in Bloomington, Indiana, and a Master of Public Affairs with a Criminal Justice concentration from IUPUI in Indianapolis.

Jessie Dowell - Client Services Representative

Jessie joined AIT in 2009 as a Client Services Representative for the medication monitoring division of AIT. Jessie assists the FBU with the set-up of client accounts, miscellaneous inquires, creating and sending client reports, managing incoming calls and faxes. Jessie's number one priority is making sure that clients are taken care of and assisted in a timely fashion.











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OUR EXPERT TOXICOLOGISTS:

George Behonick, PhD, DABFT - Forensic Toxicologist

Dr. Behonick has been with AIT for the past five years, serving as lead Forensic Toxicologist. Prior to coming to AIT, he directed a laboratory serving the Office of the Chief Medical Examiner for the Commonwealth of Massachusetts (more than 4,000 cases/year) and was an Assistant Professor of Pathology at the University of Massachusetts Medical School in Worcester, Massachusetts. Prior to that role, Dr. Behonick completed six years of service as a Forensic Toxicologist with the Virginia Department of Forensic Science Western Laboratory in Roanoke, Virginia. Dr. Behonick has extensive experience in complex postmortem drug-related cases, notably involving the opiate and opioid classes, with extensive scientific expert witness testimony experience in driving under the influence (DUI/DUID) of alcohol and/or drug(s) criminal court cases.

His educational background includes a Bachelor of Science from The Citadel in Charleston, South Carolina, a Master of Science from Hahnemann University in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, and a Ph.D. from St. John's University in Queens, New York. In 1998 Dr. Behonick completed a postdoctoral Research Associateship through the National Research Council/National Academy of Sciences at the United States Army Medical Research Institute of Chemical Defense, Aberdeen-Edgewood Area, Maryland. He was awarded board certification as a Diplomate American Board of Forensic Toxicology (DABFT) in November 2004 and qualified for re-certification in July 2009.

Kevin Shanks, MS, FTS-ABFT - Forensic Toxicologist

Kevin has been with AIT for more than 10 years. He has extensive experience in research and development, as well as laboratory management. His areas of analytical expertise include liquid chromatography with time-of-flight mass spectrometry (LC/ToF) and liquid chromatography with tandem mass spectrometry (LC/MS/MS). His current areas of research include the detection of designer drugs, such as psychedelic amphetamines, substituted cathinones and synthetic cannabinoids, in biological and nonbiological specimens, as well as their metabolism and disposition. He manages the drug chemistry program at AIT, which consists of esoteric drug analysis of non-routine specimens, such as syringes, tablets, powders, liquids and illicit drug substances and paraphernalia.

Kevin has a Bachelor's Degree in Biology from Franklin College in Franklin, Indiana, and a Master's Degree in Forensic Toxicology from the University of Florida's Veterinary School of Medicine in Gainesville, Florida. He is certified as a Forensic Toxicology Specialist (FTS) with the American Board of Forensic Toxicology (ABFT) and also holds regular membership with the Society of Forensic Toxicologists (SOFT) and the Midwest Association for Toxicology and Therapeutic Drug Monitoring (MATT). Kevin is a member of the Advisory Committee for the Evaluation of Controlled Substance Analogs (ACECSA). He has presented numerous research findings and data at various scientific conferences and published his work in peer-reviewed scientific journals, such as the Journal of Analytical Toxicology. He has also served as an expert witness in court proceedings regarding drug toxicology and chemistry in multiple states.

Kelley Kitts, M.S. - Forensic Toxicologist

Kelley joined the Forensic Toxicology team in January 2013 after serving AIT as an Analytical Forensic Chemist since 2011. As a Forensic Toxicologist, Kelley focuses on the review and release of cases assigned to the FBU. She is also responsible for the preparation of data packets used for litigation.

Kelley has earned a Bachelor of Science in Health Science and a Master of Science in Forensic Chemistry from Purdue University in Lafayette, Indiana. Her graduate research focused on optimizing training protocols for explosives-detecting canines by evaluating the odor compounds contained with explosive mixtures using LC/

MS and GC/MS. Kelley has presented her research findings at conferences held by the American Chemical Society, Midwestern Association of Forensic Scientists and the American Academy of Forensic Sciences annual meetings. Kelley's work has been published in the Journal of Analytical Methods and Forensic Science International.





