## **SYMPOSIUM A: 1:30PM – 3:00PM**

# "Investigation and Prosecution of Internet Child Sex Crimes"

## Recital Hall, PCH 120

#### **Michael Harris**

Michael Harris is the Investigator in Charge of the Child Sex Offender Internet Investigations Unit (CSOII) with the First Judicial District Attorney's Office, which serves Jefferson and Gilpin counties. Harris has 36 years of experience in law enforcement. Since 1991, first with the Lakewood Police Department and now with the District Attorney's Office, Harris has investigated crimes against children.

In 1996, Investigator Harris was the first law enforcement officer in Colorado and one of the first in the U.S., to go online using the Internet to seek out sexual predators in chat rooms and other social networking sites. Harris has arrested over 785 sex offenders who used the Internet and Technology to prey on children.

Investigator Harris splits his time between active undercover operations leading to arrests of those who seek children for sexual purposes and presenting Technology safety programs for kids and parents.

## **Cassandra Harris**

Cassandra Harris is an Investigator with the Child Sex Offender Internet Investigations Unit (CHEEZO) with the First Judicial District Attorney's Office, which serves Jefferson and Gilpin counties. Harris has 20 years of experience in law enforcement. In 1994, Harris began her career in law enforcement as an investigator with the District Attorney's Office. Since 1996, Harris has investigated crimes against children cases.

In 1996, Investigator Cassandra Harris was the first law enforcement officer in Colorado and one of the first in the U.S., to portray herself undercover as an underage teen in online communications, webcam communications, phone communications and in person in which have resulted in over 785 arrests.

Investigator Harris splits her time between active undercover operations leading to arrests of those who seek children for sexual purposes and presenting Technology safety programs for kids and parents.

#### Steve Jensen

Steve Jensen is a Chief Deputy District Attorney for the First Judicial District, which covers Jefferson and Gilpin Counties in Colorado. He has served as a Deputy District Attorney for 29 years, and has been with the First Judicial District for 26 years. As a prosecutor, Steve Jensen has handled thousands of criminal cases and has conducted in excess of 200 jury trials, including many high profile cases. As a Chief Deputy District, Steve has previously supervised the Crimes Against Children Unit, the Juvenile Crime Unit, and the Intake Unit. He currently supervises District Court and the limited gaming district of Gilpin County. Steve is a member of the Colorado District Attorneys Council Training Committee. He is an active member and past President of the Rotary Club of Golden. He is a past Chairman of the Tony Grampsas Youth Services Program. He is a 1984 graduate of the University Of Colorado School Of Law. He is a 1981 graduate of CSU at Pueblo (formerly the University of Southern Colorado).