



MARK FALLON: ADVANCING THE SCIENCE AND ETHICS OF INTERROGATION

Mark Fallon is an internationally recognized expert in ethical, science-based interrogation practices and the tradecraft of effective interviewing. With over 30 years of federal service, including roles as Deputy Assistant Director at NCIS and Assistant Director for Training at the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center (FLETC), he has spearheaded initiatives to modernize and humanize interrogation methodologies. Following the attacks of September 11, Mark was appointed Special Agent-in-Charge of the Pentagon Task Force established to bring terrorists to justice before military commissions.

As the Past Chair of the High-Value Detainee Interrogation Group (HIG) Research Committee and a key contributor to the Méndez Principles—global guidelines for effective and humane interviewing—Mark has been at the forefront of integrating law, science, and ethics into investigative practices. He is the Past Chair of the International Association of Chiefs of Police (IACP) International Managers of Police Academy and College Training (IMPACT) Section, and cofounder of Project Aletheia at John Jay College of Criminal Justice, bridging the gap between academic research and operational applications of the science. Mark has authored multiple publications, including those in *The Police Chiefs Magazine*, *Psychology Today* and *Applied Cognitive Psychology*. Mark is the author of “Unjustifiable Means” (ReganArts 2017), and contributing author in “The Psychology of Criminal Investigation” (Routledge 2018) and “International Handbook of Policing Crises and Emergencies” (Routledge 2025). He is also a contributing author and editor of “Interrogation and Torture” (Oxford University Press 2020) and “Interviewing and Interrogation: A Review of Research and Practice Since World War II” (TOAEP 2023).



Mark’s expertise spans topics from evidence-based policing and wrongful conviction prevention to counterterrorism and advancing procedural justice. His speaking engagements include appearances at global institutions such as the International Association of Chiefs of Police (IACP), the United Nations, and leading universities. He frequently collaborates with organizations like the Innocence Project to advocate for legislation banning police deception.

Known for his principled leadership during crises, Mark’s insights resonate with multidisciplinary audiences, offering actionable strategies to improve trust and outcomes in justice systems worldwide. His lectures are a must for professionals committed to advancing ethical and effective investigative practices.