
Tips and Trends from ICJE

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Monthly News & Updates

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Tempus Fugit, Ergo Carpe Diem (Time Flies, Seize the Day)

Yesterday I attended a webcast moderated by a retired detective, whom I know but lost contact with in the last few years. I also realized that I had not seen him on other webcasts over the last year. So, I sent him an email welcoming him back.

He responded with a harrowing story of how life can change in an instant. He was always in great physical condition, and last February took a vacation to snow ski in Montana. While on the slopes he suffered a massive heart attack, was brought back to life by an AED, and transported to a local hospital.

Unbeknownst to him, his troubles were just beginning. During his treatment he was prescribed a heart medication, that had a side effect of attacking and destroying his lungs, unknown to the medical staff, but later discovered after 5 months in 3 different hospitals. He was then sent to a hospital in Chicago that specializes in lung damage treatment.

He is now back home but will have to undergo daily Dr. and therapy appointments for the foreseeable future.

He signed off on the email with "*Tempus Fugit - Ergo Carpe Diem, Old Friend*".... *Time Flies -Seize the Day*.

The recent tragedies of Lt. Mark Meadows in Irondale, and James "Bart" Cauthen, the Battalion Fire Chief from Georgia who stopped to help a driver who struck a deer in Chambers County and was shot by a nearby resident for unknown reasons, are but 2 incidents that are testimony to the fragility of our time on Earth.

Tempus Fugit, Ergo Carpe Diem

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Please feel free to email comments or suggestions anytime!

Thanks, Jim

"But there never seems to be enough time to do the things that you wanna do when you find them" - *Jim Croce*

Society News

Artificial Intelligence Is Everywhere!

Artificial intelligence will impact every aspect of our lives, including every person who reads this newsletter. As I was warned in a recent webcast dealing with the criminal elements' use of AI, it may render many of the techniques used by both law enforcement, legal rules of evidence, and private sector fraud mitigation obsolete. Because the webinar scared the daylights out of me, I thought I would incorporate all things AI into this month's newsletter.

What You Need to Know About AI's Growing Influence in Technology

Understanding both sides of AI's influence is vital for navigating this rapidly evolving space.

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"AI Will Be Better Than Almost All Humans...."

In the video snippet below, the CEO of Anthropic explained that he thinks that AI systems are on the cusp of being "better than almost all humans at almost All Tasks". What does that mean for your job/profession?

Alabama Generative AI - Inventory and Resources

In May 2024 Governor Ivey created a Task Force to address issues related to the adoption of AI within the state's governmental agencies. The resulting website has

some good resources if you have not yet used the site.

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Technology

"Impact of AI on Criminal and Illicit Activities"

Advancements in AI technology—especially generative AI—are enabling criminal actors to pursue a wide range of crimes faster and more efficiently, and empowering less-skilled criminals by filling knowledge gaps such as language fluency and computer coding. AI technology is evolving quickly, making new kinds of crime possible and transforming old ones. Text-generating tools, realistic AI-generated image creation, and voice-cloning are the key capabilities bad actors are applying to crimes ranging from fraud to child exploitation.

What is AI?

What is AI? Before delving into the AI landscape and exploring how AI technologies can facilitate criminal activity, it is important to understand what AI and generative AI are and how they work.

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Doctor Targeted by Deepfake Ad Scam

Social media ad advised diabetes patients against taking metformin

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AI-enabled future crime: Study reveals 20 disturbing possibilities

The Dawes Centre for Future Crime at UCL has undertaken a groundbreaking study that delves into the dark underbelly of AI technology, revealing the...

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5 AI Scams Set To Surge In 2025: What You Need To Know

Note: While this link is behind a paywall, Forbes.com allows 5 free articles so I have included this interesting take on AI by Frank McKenna.- Jim Rechel

AI scams may surge in 2025 as fraud as a service operations expand, providing criminals more access to perfect deepfakes which will make their scams more believable.

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A Great Site for AI Resources

The link below will take you to the site "StartupAITools.com. While many of the sites it provides for AI related assistance may not be anything you need or are interested in, it is still a good site to expose the extent to which AI is inserting itself into our society.

AI Tools Directory - Top Ai Aggregator 2024

Browse the Free AI Tools Directory with 40+ categories like AI content writer, plagiarism checker, art generator, automation, AI chatbot, and generative video.

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"I Want to be a Better" ... In Life

UpSkillYourLife on X

Some of you are tired of hearing about Nick Saban. Some of you don't care for Nick Saban. Some of you love him. Some folks try to diminish his intensity. And some of you miss him as a Coach.

I happen to appreciate him more now, more than when he was a coach, and a friend sent me this link to a "sermon" he used each year with his teams. Regardless of your thoughts on the man, his message is in this clip from a longer presentation he made in 2021 is outstanding.

This advice will change your life.

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Reflections on an excellent airport shoe shine

Moral revelations don't frequently hit me between terminals C and E at the Charlotte Douglas International Airport, but Friday was an exception.

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Crime

The truth about OnlyFake and generative AI fraud

Before you get caught up in the hype of OnlyFake and rush to deploy a solution, it's worth taking a calm look at what OnlyFake really is, how it works, and what it means for the future of KYC and your own fraud controls.

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Beyond OnlyFake Webinar: How to combat generative AI document fraud

Discover the inner workings of OnlyFake, learn about the implications of gen AI on risk controls and find out how to fortify your fraud defenses.

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2025- ICJE Training and Education

Training Schedule

For more information on the 2025 schedule, please visit our website by clicking on "Read More":

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One More Thing

Just for kicks I copied my opening column of this month's newsletter into AI, and it didn't make too many changes, but cleaned up some of my words. Not too bad, I guess.

***Time Flies, So Seize the Day**

Yesterday, I watched a webcast hosted by a retired detective I once knew well but had lost touch with over the years. It struck me that I hadn't seen him on any webcasts in quite some time, so I decided to send him an email to welcome him back.

In response, he shared a harrowing account of how swiftly life can change. Always in excellent health, he took a skiing trip to Montana last February, where he suffered a massive heart attack on the slopes. Thanks to an AED, he was resuscitated and rushed to a local hospital...."

I then went to an AI site that claimed to create 3D images from 2D photos. I uploaded the image of Nick Saban from above and the 3D rendition below is what it created. Crude, but a great start to technology that will allow anyone to create 3D from sketches of suspects in the near future!

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