

EXPERT WITNESS



SLIP / TRIP & FALL ACCIDENTS

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**Professional Experience:**

I entered the field of walkway safety in August of 2007, as an applicator and distributor of Get-A-Grip Anti-Slip Solution. In 2010, I began and continue to consult with property owners, property managers, engineers, risk management professionals regarding slip-and-fall prevention, trip-and-fall prevention, placement of warning signs and visual cues, as well as flooring maintenance protocol. In addition, I consult with architects and design professionals to determine if the subject surface meets the needs of environment and the activities conducted. In 2015, I began and continue to provide expert testimony for both Plaintiff as well as Defense attorneys in matters pertaining to walkway safety.

Individual course study is essential in obtaining a working knowledge of the underlying principles of Coefficient of Friction (COF), factors that affect traction on walkway surfaces, tribometry and related thresholds of safety. I have received the following certifications: 1) Walkway Auditor Certificate Holder (WACH) from the National Floor Safety Institute. 2) Certified Forensic Slip Expert (CFSE) from The National Institute of Forensic Studies. 3) Certified Walkway Auditor from the University of North Texas – Department of Engineering. 4) Certified Operator - BOT 3000E (Binary Output Tribometer) from Walkway Management Group (WMG).

I am a member in good standing with the following organizations: 1) ASTM International, 2) ASSP – American Society for Safety Professionals, 3) NFSI – National Floor Safety Institute, 4) NFPA – National Fire Protection Agency, 5) NSC – National Safety Council, 6) ICC – International Code Council. These organizations serve as an additional avenue for research, course study, as well as keeping up with peer review documents.

### **Professional Certifications**

- **NFSI (National Floor Safety Institute): Walkway Auditor Certificate Holder (WACH)**
- **The National Institute of Forensic Studies: Certified Forensic Slip Expert (CFSE)**
- **The University of North Texas - Department of Engineering Technology: Certified Walkway Auditor**
- **Walkway Management Group (WGMG): Certified Operator BOT 3000E**
- **National Floor Safety Institute (NFSI): Slip-Trip-Fall Protection by Design**
- **National Safety Council (NSC): Slips, Trips & Falls**
- **American Ladder Institute: Single & Extension Ladder Safety**

### **Professional Training:**

- **American Society for Safety Professionals (ASSP)**
  - S568 Breaking the Cycle of Slips, Trips and Falls (1)
  - Prevent Slips, Trips and Falls with ANSI/ASSP A1264 Walking/Working Surface Standards
- **National Safety Council (NSC)**
  - OSHA Requirements for Walking and Working Surfaces
  - Developing a Slips, Trips and Falls Program

- **TCNA (Tile Council of America)**

- ACU Test New Method & New Threshold for Coefficient of Friction on Tile.

**Education:** Philadelphia College of Textiles and Science  
B.S. Textile Management & Marketing