

## **PROFESSIONAL VITAE FRANK PIAZZA**

### **President – 2000 to Present**

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Founder and Forensic Technician of Legal Audio Video, the forensic services division of Audio Paint, Ltd. Professional forensic services include; audio/video enhancement, analysis, authentication, image extraction, document preparation, consultation, expert testimony in Federal, State and Local courts throughout the United States and the world. Clients include Government Agencies, Private Law Firms, Investigative Agencies and others. As president, I am responsible for the overall operations of a fully equipped, digital work space/office featuring cutting-edge software, hardware, acoustic listening environments, analog machinery and portable recording devices.

Legal Audio Video also provides presentation and editing services during trial, on-site audio and video recording services, archiving, conversion and digitization of “tape” evidence. Legal Audio Video offers remote equipment packages and support for on-location and courtroom playback. We are AGCV certified to record and validate video depositions. Clients include; Federal Agencies, Federal Prosecutors, State Agencies, State Prosecutors, Private Law Firms, Public Defenders, Investigative Agencies, Insurance Carriers and others.

### **President – 1995 to 2020**

#### **Audio Paint, Ltd. (Corporate)**

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Founder, responsible for building and managing operations of Audio Paint, Ltd., a New York City audio/video, state-of-the-art studio facility and production company. Audio Paint creates and produces audio and video content for television, radio, film, stage, internet, and various digital platforms where information, news and entertainment programming is distributed. Clients include; artists, commercial producers, writers, entertainment companies, ad agencies, marketing agencies, composers, book publishers, educational publishers, music publishers, pharma companies, law clients, voice-over narrators, on-camera personalities, celebrities, etc.

**Founder – 2018 to Present**

**National Voice Works (previously AP Voices)**

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Founder of National Voice Works, an online, voice over training company offering fully-produced, automated commercial and narration demos for first-time readers. Company will focus on providing clients an affordable, turn-key process in voice instruction, recording techniques and basic marketing skills within the voice over industry. National Voice Works is a forward thinking, digital training solution, designed to position itself as a future leader in the voice over marketplace.

**EXPERT CERTIFICATION**

Our work has been reviewed by judges and attorneys across the country. All findings and materials have been allowed in every trial where we have provided testimony on behalf of a client. The following is a list I have been court qualified to serve as an expert witness of forensic services provided:

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|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------|-------------------------|
| • United States v. Saunders          | SDNY, Federal NY 2021          | Judge Lorna Schofield   |
| • United States v. Torres            | SDNY, Federal NY 2020          | Judge Victor Morrero    |
| • United States v. Shivanand Maharaj | SDNY, Federal NY 2019          | Judge John G. Koeltl    |
| • United States v. Enrico Rybano     | SDNY, Federal NY 2019          | Judge John G. Koeltl    |
| • People vs. Marvin Joseph           | Kings County, Supreme, NY 2019 | Judge Evelyn LaPorte    |
| • United States vs. James Felton     | SDNY, Federal 2019             | Judge William H. Pauley |
| • State of Florida vs. Nouman Raja   | West Palm Beach, FL 2019       | Judge Joseph Marx       |
| • United States v. Anthony Hall      | Philadelphia, PA 2018          | Judge Wendy Beetlestone |

• U S vs. Hall – ( <i>Frye Hearing</i> )	Philadelphia, PA 2018	Judge Wendy Beetlestone
• United States v. Joseph Astarita	Portland, OR 2018	Judge Robert E. Jones
• U S vs. Astiarita – ( <i>Daubert Hearing</i> )	Portland, OR 2018	Judge Robert E. Jones
• State of Florida v Nouman Khan Raja	West Palm. Beach, FL 2018	Judge Samantha Schlosberg
• State of Florida v Nouman Khan Raja	West Palm. Beach, FL 2018	By Deposition
• U.S. vs. Steven Siri-Reynoso	SDNY, Federal 2018	Judge Colleen McMahon
• U.S. vs. James Felton	SDNY, Federal 2018	Judge William Pauley
• Thompson v. Warden, State Prison	Rockville, CT 2018	Judge John Newson
• People v. Carsett Shaw	Kings County, Supreme 2017	Judge Eugene Guarino
• United States v. Ruben Pizzaro	SDNY, Federal, 2017	Judge Laura Taylor Swain
• Ingalls & Conlin v. The Vail Corp.	West Palm beach, FL 2017	By deposition
• United States v. Nelson	SDNY, Federal, 2017	Judge Denise L. Cote
• United States v. Campo Flores	SDNY, Federal, 2016	Judge Paul A. Crotty
• People v. Frank Candiano	Kings County Supreme, 2016	Judge Raymond Guzman
• People v. Aaron Bryan, ( <i>Frye</i> )	Suffolk County, New York 2016	Judge Mark Cohen
• People v. Randy Reeves	Kings County, Supreme, 2016	Judge William F. Mastro
• Collier v. Collier	Oregon, Superior Court, OR 2015	By deposition
• People v. Cherkasky	New York, Supreme Court, 2015	Judge Ann E. Scherzer
• George Leniart v. Warden	Rockville Superior Court, CT 2015	Judge Vernon Oliver
• Rooney v. State of NY	Albany NY, Court of Claims, 2014	Judge Frank P. Milano
• U.S. vs Serrano	SDNY, Federal, 2014	Judge Katherine B. Forrest
• U.S. vs Sierra	SDNY, Federal, 2014	Judge Katherine B. Forrest
• People v. Mary Cato	Kings County Supreme Court, 2013	Judge Daniel Lewis
• People v. Iloune Driver	Kings County Supreme Court, 2013	Judge Deborah Dowling
• Altenburg v. Cherry Hill Township	Cherry Hill Township, 2013	By deposition
• Matter of Tarek Saleh	EOIR, Office of Immigration, 2012	Judge Margaret McManus
• People v. Louis Speaks	Kings County Supreme Court, 2012	Judge John G. Ingram
• People v. Norman Whitehead	Albany Supreme Court, 2012	Judge Thomas Breslin

• People v. Enroy Bishop	New York, Supreme Court, 2012	Judge Katherine Nunez
• MacMahan v. MacMahan	Westchester Supreme Court, 2011	Judge Robert A, Neary
• People v. Elie Granger	Queens County, Supreme, 2011	Judge Joseph Zayas
• People v. Walter Warner	Orange County, Supreme, 2010	Judge Andrew Bivona
• State of New Jersey v. Al Lanuto	Hackensack, New Jersey 2010	Judge Roy F. McGeady
• U.S. vs Stay Thompson	SDNY, Federal, 2009	Judge Peter K. Leisure
• U.S. vs Kone/Insaidoo	SDNY, Federal, 2006	Judge Kenneth Karas
• People vs Kareem Bryan	Westchester Supreme Court, 2005	Judge Lester B Adler
• U.S. vs Al Moayad	EDNY, Federal, 2005	Judge Sterling Johnson
• U.S. vs Glen Hardwick	SDNY, Federal, 2003	Judge Richard Casey

## SERVICES

Our skillset is constantly evolving based on the volume of material we process. Newer audio and digital formats are being introduced on a yearly basis. Legal Audio Video is performing the research and obtaining the proper certifications needed to advance our knowledge as forensic experts. There is a considerable amount of digital, audio and video evidence attached to cases produced within the U.S. We firmly believe that no other private, forensic audio/video firm in the Northeast can match our experience, background and depth of services. Legal Audio Video has a reputation as a preferred, trusted vendor for many Federal, State and City agencies.

- Enhancement of thousands of hours of poorly recorded audio, body-wire recordings, cell phone recordings, internet uploads, cell phone intercepts and 911 conversations in both digital and analog (tape) formats.
- Enhancement of thousands of hours of video footage captured by surveillance and security camera systems, cell phones, dash-cam units, body-worn devices and social media sites.
- Image extraction and image enhancement taken from of surveillance and security video footage, cell phone recordings and numerous camera/video devices.
- Analysis of thousands of hours of audio and video evidence to confirm the digital chain-of-custody, recording unit, software and protocol used to capture, record and archive each file.
- Authentication of thousands of hours of audio and video evidence to determine the presence of deletion, tampering and editing. Written documents and final reports created for client review.
- Preparation and presentation of audio and video materials for trial and review. Depositions and Expert testimony taken in courts throughout the United States.
- Access and experience using Zoom, Microsoft Teams and other online, streaming platforms.
- Digitization and conversion of thousands of audio and video files made from proprietary and/or analog sources to universal digital formats. Import and conversion of various online postings and materials to universal formats.

## **CLIENTS**

Since 2000, Legal Audio Video has been assisting clients with their cases where audio and video evidence has played an important role in the outcome. Forensic services are provided on an ongoing basis for legal matters within the United States and globally. Clients include (partial list):

United States Attorney's Office – SDNY, EDNY, LADA, OCDA, USAO-OR, USAO-DC, U.S. Government Agencies – FBI, DEA, ICE, DOJ, USPIS, Manhattan DA, Crown Attorney, Legal Aid Society, Public Defenders, Investigative Agencies – Stroz Friedberg, Kroll, IMG, Guardian Digital, Envista Forensics, Private Law Firms – Gibson Dunn, Proskauer, Skadden, Clifford Chance, Williams Connolly, Baker, Lefcourt Law, Epstein Becker Green, Baker McKenzie, Sullivan & Cromwell, Allen & Overy, Wilmer Hale, Goodwin Procter, Milbank, Holland & Knight, Baker Hostetler, Vinson & Elkins, Bryan Cave, Nixon Peabody, Drinker Biddle & Reath, Fried Frank, Wachtell, Lipton, Rosen & Katz, Debevoise & Plimpton, Jones Day, Willkie Farr & Gallagher, Steptoe & Johnson, Houghes Hubbard & Reed, Blank Rome, Drinker Biddle & Reath, Abrahms, Wilentz, Goldman & Spitzer, McElroy, Deutsch, Mulvaney & Carpenter, Morgan & Lewis Bokius.

## **PRESENTATIONS**

By invitation, we have delivered informative presentations discussing audio and video forensic industry techniques and company background and services to Federal Agencies, Federal Prosecutors, State Agencies, Private Investigator Organizations, Private Law Firms and Law Organizations. Clients include:

- United States Attorney's Office
- United States Department of Justice
- FBI – Federal Bureau of Investigation
- USSS – United States Secret Service
- New Jersey Bar Association
- New Jersey Licensed Private Investigators Association
- Connecticut Licensed Private Investigators Association
- Society of Professional Private Investigators, New York
- Legal Aid Society

## **PRESS**

Appearances have been made on local, regional and national broadcast networks offering expert commentary on many high-profile and news-worthy events.

- On-camera Frye Hearing, "Stand Your Ground" cross examination on the matter of Nouman Raja.
- Interview and frame-by-frame analysis for CBS12 WPB news story "Flagler Bridge" stabbing.
- Commentary and frame-by-frame analysis for CNN news story "Walter Scott" shooting.
- Interview and on-camera analysis with CNN Host Anderson Cooper for "Michael Brown" shootings
- Commentary and enhancement for WPIX News, NYC for "Alec Baldwin" broadcast and story.

- Commentary and analysis for NBC, Dateline for “Trayvon Martin” broadcast and story.
- Analysis and examination for commercially released *documentary* for Pamela Smart investigation.
- Analysis and expert opinion for CBS News for the Mel Gibson/spouse audio recordings, July 14, 2010.
- Provided forensic analysis and for FOX News broadcast, investigation of Anwar al-Awlaki, 2010
- Examined 911 tape evidence and performed tape analysis in the Jonbenet Ramsey case
- Appeared on NBC's *Today* and *Dateline* programs, July 20, 2003.
- Provided forensic analysis for MSNBC's *Dan Abrams Report* and *Rita Cosby*, Natalee Holloway, 2005

## **ARTICLES**

Published author of industry articles and writer of blog entries on [www.legalaudiovideo.com](http://www.legalaudiovideo.com).

“Getting the Most Out of a Trip and Fall Case” – May 2016, NRRDA Publications

“The App and the Smartphone” – 2015, Evidence Technology Magazine

## **PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS**

AES (Audio Engineering Society - Audio Forensic Chapter)

LEVA (Law Enforcement and Emergency Services Video Association International)

AGCV (American Guild of Court Videographers)

SMPTE (Society of Motion Picture Television Engineers)

NYSCDL (New York State Criminal Defense Lawyers)

## **CONTINUING EDUCATION AND TRAINING**

• National Center for Media Forensics,

“Forensic Authentication of Digital Audio”

University of Colorado, Denver, CO 2012

• AES Forensic Audio, Washington D.C. 2017

• LEVA Level 1: Forensic Video Analysis & The Law 2019

• LEVA Level 2: Digital Multimedia Evidence Processing 2019

• LEVA Level 3: The Philosophy and Principles of Video Contrast and Comparison 2020

• LEVA Level 4: Advanced Forensic Video Analysis and The Law 2021

## **CERTIFICATION**

**Legal Video Technician** Present – 2022

LEVA (Law Enforcement and Emergency Services Video Association International)

**Certified Deposition Video Specialist – CDVS**

AGCV certification (American Guild of Court Videographers)

## **EDUCATION**

Berklee College Of Music, Boston, MA 1980-1982

Rockland Community College, Suffern, NY 1982-1983