# Practical Approaches to Handling Investigations



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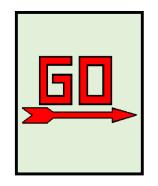
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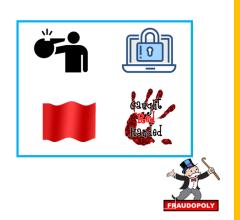




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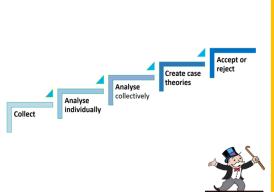
#### **Critical decisions**

Decisions made in circumstances which present a high level of **risk** and **uncertainty** 

What do we know?



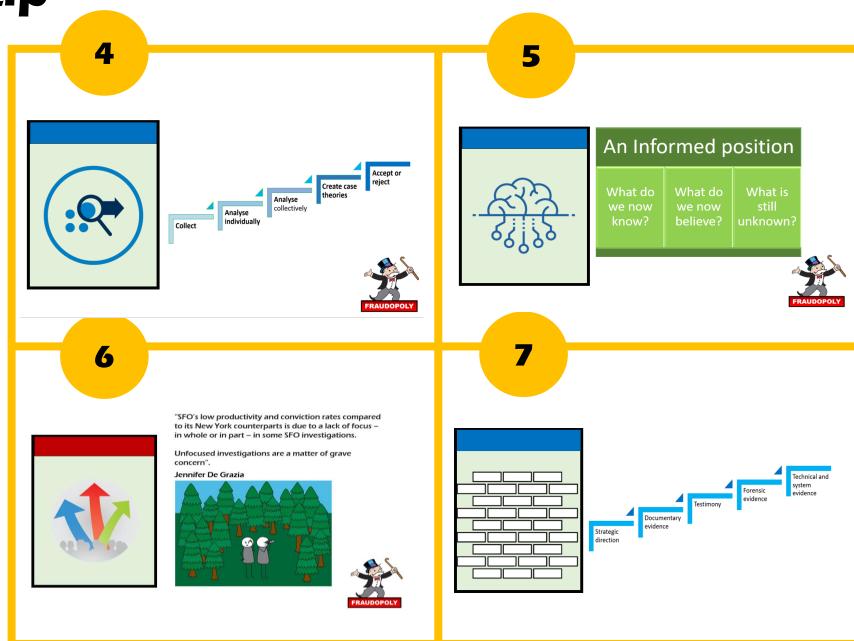








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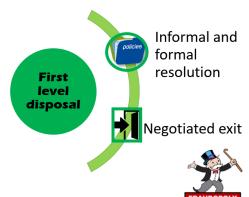
"Interviews represent the most basic and human element of any investigation.

Diligent interviewers constantly search for a complete and truthful telling of events".



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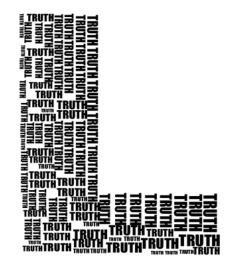




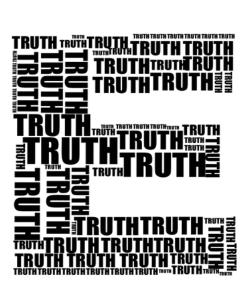
#### The truth

# You can be deceptive without lying. **BUT**

You cannot lie without being deceptive.





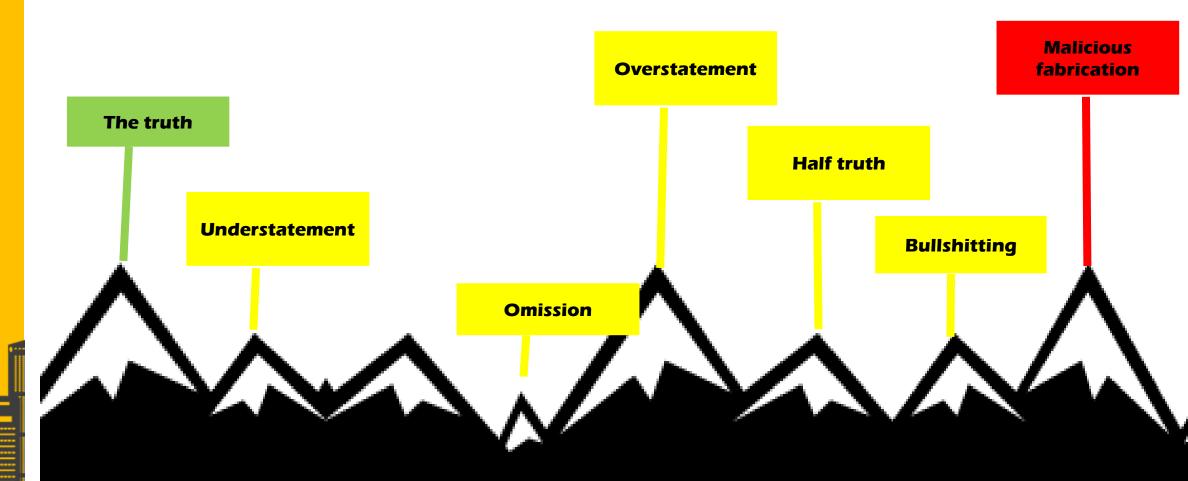








# A landscape of lies







### The investigative process

Pre-Investigative stages
The search for understanding

Informal fact finding conversations Elicitation



Investigative stages
The search for the truth

Formal witness conversations

Formal person of interest interactions







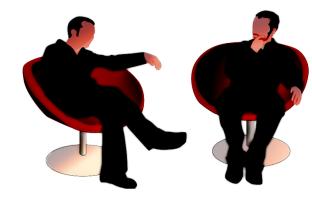
### **Approaches**

#### **Conversation**



A talk, especially an informal one, between two or more people, in which information and ideas are exchanged.

#### **Elicitation**



An informal conversation with a specific purpose: to collect information and do so without raising suspicion that specific facts are being sought.

#### Forensic or Cognitive interview



A structured conversation that is designed to obtain fine grain information about an event that has been experienced.

#### Interrogation

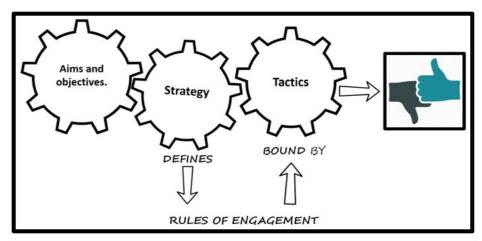


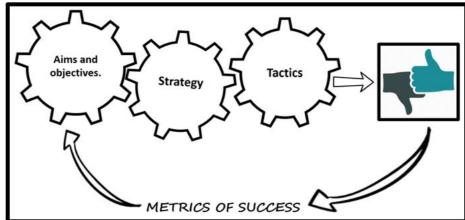
A formal interview which utilises techniques designed to lower resistance and obtain confessions.



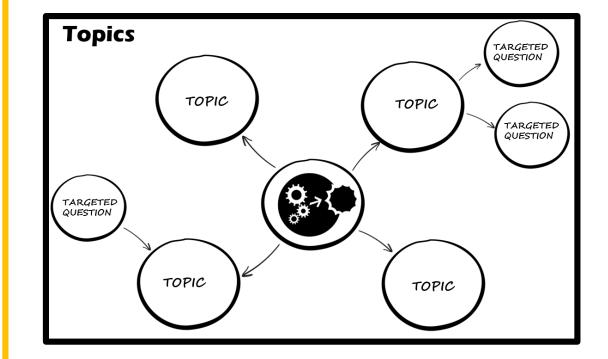


## A forensic approach





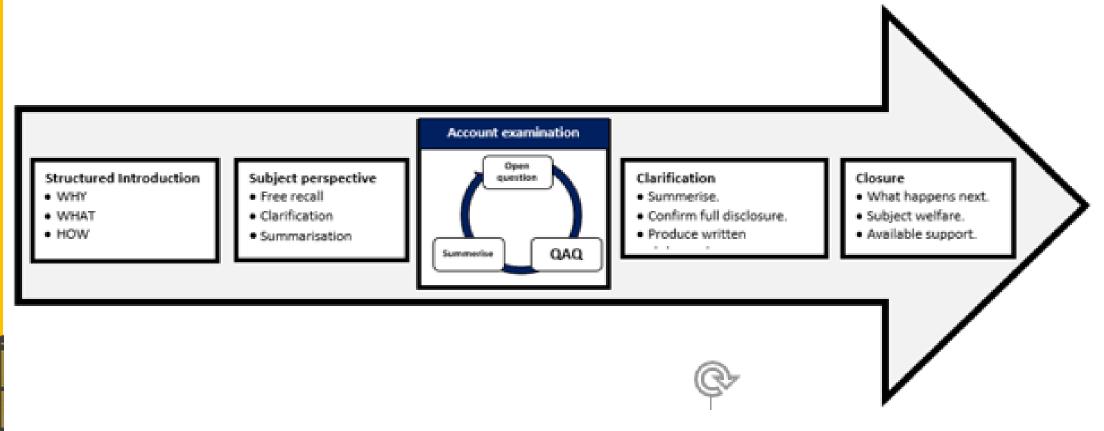
KNOWN	BEL	IEVED	UNKNOWN
The things we know we know	The things we b		The things we know we don't
And	happened - wor	king out from	know.
How many sources are saying it.	what we know.		







#### The conversational witness model

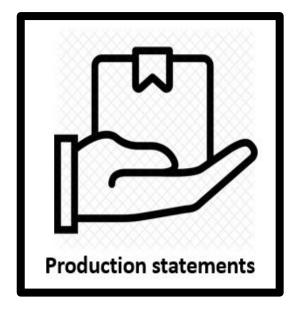






### Categories of witness testimony





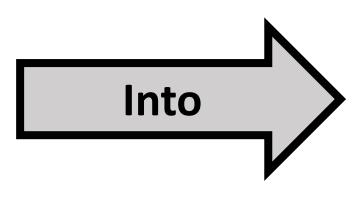
















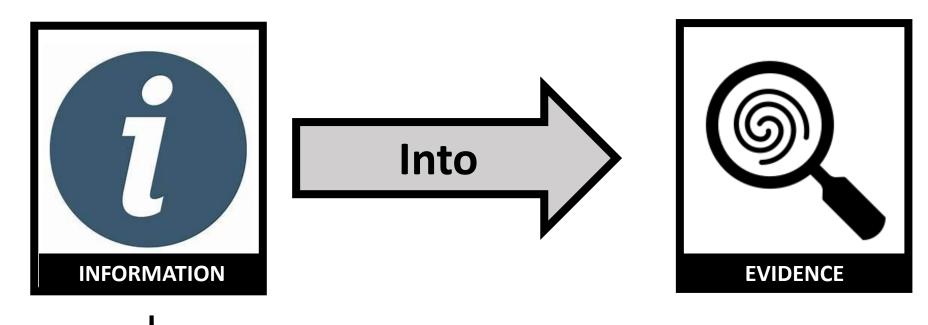




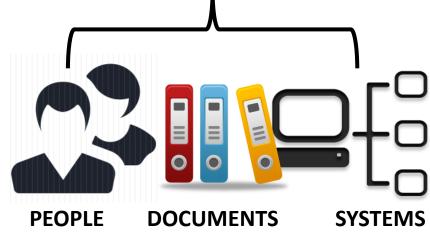
**The Conversation** 

The notes

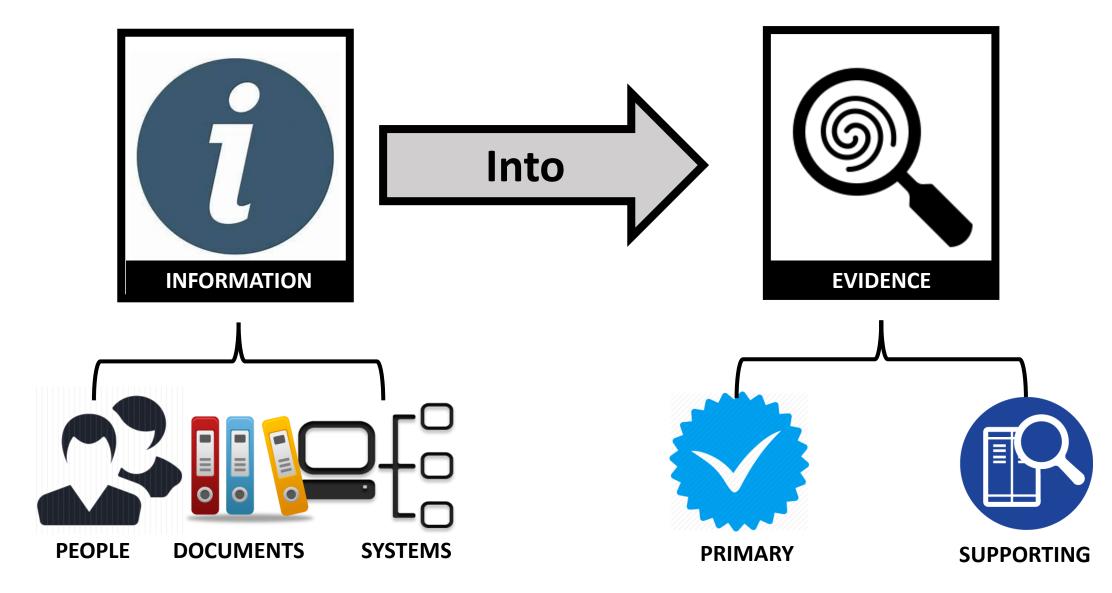






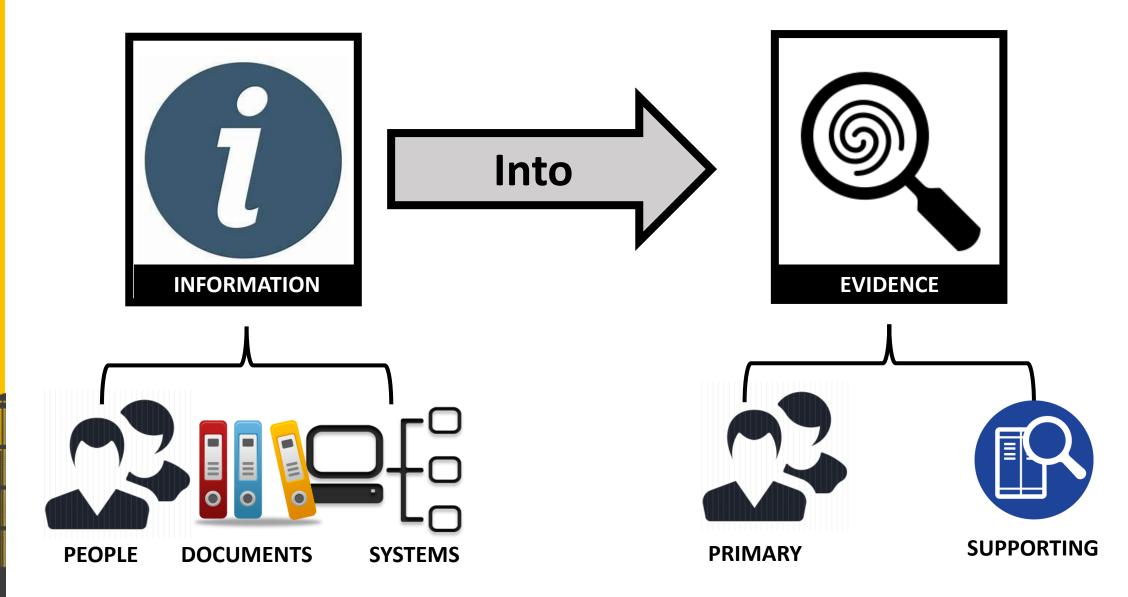






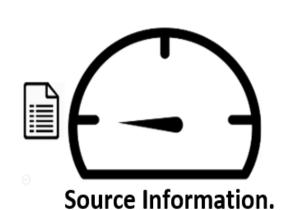


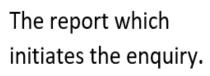






#### Strength of evidence







# Records, print outs and data storage devices which contain information deemed of investigative importance



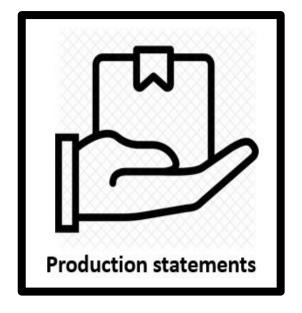
# Primary evidence from individuals who have information which supports or negates the event under investigation.





### Categories of witness testimony













#### Question...



#### Why do we make written witness statements?

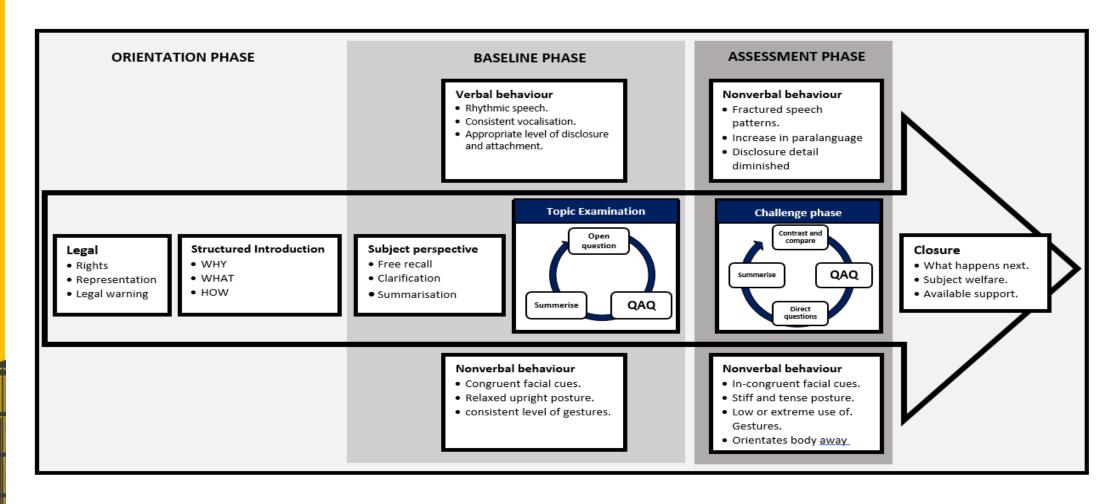
#### TO AVOID

- Abstraction from work / daily life.
- The court/hearing experience itself.
- Nerves.
- Sleepless nights.
- Confronting suspect & family / friends.
- Being visually identified in public.





#### The conversational SOI model







## Questioning

