



SIGMA Threat Management Associates Bio

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William “Bill” Modzeleski is a Senior Threat Manager with SIGMA Threat Management Associates and a nationally recognized leader in the area of school safety and emergency management. Mr. Modzeleski is a former Associate Assistant Deputy Secretary of the U.S. Department of Education’s Office of Safe and Drug Free Schools. During his tenure at the Department of Education Mr. Modzeleski was instrumental in the development and implementation of several programs related to emergency management and violence prevention. These programs included: Safe Schools/Healthy Students Program (a multi-agency effort designed to approach violence prevention from a comprehensive perspective); School Emergency Response to Violence (a program designed to bring assistance to schools immediately after a crisis that has affected teaching and learning); and the REMS program (a program designed to assist schools improve their emergency management plans). Mr. Modzeleski also played leadership role in numerous studies related to school shootings, radicalization and violent extremism. Mr. Modzeleski served as co-author with staff from U.S. Secret Service on the Safe School Initiative, and co-author with staff from Secret Service and FBI on study on Targeted Attacks at Institutions of Higher Education. Mr. Modzeleski assisted the Homeland Security Studies and Analysis Institute in the design of studies related to terrorist Incidents involving education targets, emergency management planning in international schools, recruitment and radicalization by international terrorist groups, and a review of school-aged youth involved in terrorist activities. Mr. Modzeleski was also led ED’s efforts to assist schools after events disrupted teaching. These events ranged from Columbine to Virginia Tech, and from Hurricanes Rita and Katrina to the tornado in Joplin MO. Mr. Modzeleski also led team that worked closely with staff from the Centers for Disease Prevention and Control (CDC) on efforts to stem the spread of the H1N1 epidemic. Mr. Modzeleski is a Distinguished Visiting Fellow at the Homeland Security Studies and Analysis Institute. Prior to his federal service he served in the U.S. Army serving in the U.S. and Vietnam. He holds a BA from the University of Bridgeport (where he recently was named a distinguished alum), and a MA from C.W. Post College.