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Chris Atha is a High-Tech Crime Specialist with the National White Collar Crime Center (NW3C) focusing on research, technical assistance, and training for advanced digital forensics topics. Previously Chris served as an electronic crime detective for a large law enforcement agency. Chris has educated thousands of law enforcement professionals during his five years as a full-time law enforcement trainer.

During his time as a sworn law enforcement officer, Chris testified before various courts of record at the state and federal level as an expert on digital forensics, mobile forensics, malware analysis, peer-to-peer networks, and digital data storage. Chris has been disclosed as an expert witness in cases in multiple federal court districts in various states throughout the East Coast.

In 2016, Chris received two awards from a United States Attorney's Office for his efforts in two cases where he presented information as a subject matter expert leading to the successful prosecution of two violent offenders. Chris has spoken at a variety of information security conferences including BSides Charleston, SC, and Hackercon. Chris is a Certified Information Systems Security Professional (CISSP).