

What is an Expert Witness?

With some gentle urging from a friend along with my usual research approach, I decided to put my expertise to use as an expert witness. This leverages my many years of experience and education in providing effective expert witness services in cybersecurity and third-party risk matters. What qualifies somebody to be an expert witness? First and foremost is subject matter expertise. When challenged by the other party, the expert needs to be able to prove his or her expertise and provide confirmation of education, applicable certifications, work experience and industry expertise.

Background and More

With more than 30 years of experience in various technology leadership roles, I have the required technical [background](#) and industry experience to provide these services. However, a high value expert witness needs other attributes. My friend who encouraged me to consider the expert witness field remarked on my temperament and attention detail; both important characteristics of top expert witnesses. Additionally, I genuinely enjoy researching, writing and debating technical issues and facts. Digging into the details of a complex technical problem, discerning facts from fiction and producing high-quality reports that clearly articulates the position is essential for expert witnesses. It's an activity that I find satisfying and enjoyable.

Testimony

It is important to know the role of an expert witness. As such, it is good to know the Federal Rules of Evidence, especially [Rule 702](#). Basically, Rule 702 allows an expert witness to testify if:

- (a) the expert's scientific, technical, or other specialized knowledge will help the trier of fact to understand the evidence or to determine a fact in issue;*
- (b) the testimony is based on sufficient facts or data;*
- (c) the testimony is the product of reliable principles and methods; and*
- (d) the expert has reliably applied the principles and methods to the facts of the case.*

Moving Forward

So, there you have it. My story of entering the expert witness field. I'm compelled to share my background and expertise with others in a challenging and meaningful way. My role and responsibilities are well-defined and, like all my services, this important work will be executed with the highest degree of ethical standards. Please [contact me](#) to learn more about our services and how we can help your case.