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Since 2000 BCSI has performed hundreds of successful investigations.

Our integrated team of investigators and support services ensure that the investigations are conducted in a timely fashion with leading edge techniques.

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Dating Online - A Mine Field or A Gold Mine?

The dating game over the past decade has taken on a new look...the virtual dating game by where you do not know or see who you are possibly dating. The thrill of the unknown, the ecstasy of meeting the perfect mate can be overshadowed by bad dates, dangerous situations and long term financial losses.

The dating site range from religious themes to looking for the most exciting affair. You guessed it, many of these dates come with dangers whereas others can be very successful. The data that is presented on these dating sites is often inaccurate and/or skewed to increase the success of the site and collect monthly dues. Most sites do not provide any type if at all, due diligence and therefore the danger exists as the reciprocating party may not be who they represent themselves as. It is clear that in some cases dating online has its benefits for busy individuals but you must always do a risk/benefit analysis.



Preliminary Due Diligence

Your preliminary due diligence of social networks can provide you with valuable information on the individual you have met online. The due diligence can be as simple as a phone number, picture and address or be much more in depth including a complete profile of this individual. It is obvious that if an individual is fraudulent, his online footprint will be nonexistent. Meanwhile, many individuals do not have an online profile and are legitimate specifically for seniors.

Once preliminary due diligence has been performed and you are not satisfied or concerned about your findings, then it is time to hire a professional firm to assist. BCSI has seen an increase in requests for due diligence, background searches, profiling and pre-nuptial searches.

The Signs of Fraudulent Virtual Identity

There are several red flags regarding fraudulent dates:

- The individual is vague about his personal information
 - including employment and residence
- There is no picture on the online dating site profile.
- The individual is not revealing his telephone number.
- The individual is overseas.
- The individual is asking for money to be wired to help with a crisis.
- The party wants to meet in a private setting.

Common sense is of the essence. In our next issue, we will address how to design and implement a safety net whilst dating online. Our 4 part series will also provide the statistics of danger of dating online and how to full proof your potential dates.