



FORENSIC SERVICES SUCCESS STORY

Making the Case for ShotSpotter® Forensic Services

CLIENTS

Serving 150+ ShotSpotter™ Customers

SERVICES

Detailed Forensic Reports and Expert Witness Testimony

SITUATION

Building and presenting a compelling case in a shooting trial can be complicated and challenging, but a case can be significantly strengthened with forensic evidence that fills in the details such as: exact time, location, and sequence of shots fired. Without the right data, investigators can be stalled when trying to examine critical evidence and fully understand all aspects of a shooting incident. For the prosecutor, proving a shooting case can be tenuous without rock solid testimony that eliminates confusion, verifies details, and helps the jury come to the right conclusion.

APPROACH

The Detailed Forensic Report (DFR) is a court-admissible analysis of a shooting incident captured by the ShotSpotter system that is produced by forensic engineers. It provides critical details of, when, and where the shooting incident occurred.

200

Cases supported
by testimony from Expert
Witness Services

1,500+

DFRs produced for attorneys
that bolster investigations
and strengthen cases

Expert Witness testimony of the DFR bolsters the presentation of a case and assists in the trial. A ShotSpotter forensic expert presents the ShotSpotter evidence to the jury and this combination has been successfully admitted in over 200 court cases in 20 states including the District of Columbia.

Benefits

- ✓ Adds dramatic evidence by capturing the audio of the gunfire that can be replayed to a jury.
- ✓ Can aid in the corroboration or discrediting of other evidence for a case or investigation.
- ✓ Has prevailed in fourteen successful Frye challenges and two successful Daubert challenge throughout the United States.
- ✓ Upheld in two State Supreme Court cases in addition to local jurisdictions.











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Forensic Services**

Request a Detailed Forensic Report or access our Expert Witness Services for incidents captured by Soundthinking's ShotSpotter gunshot detection system.

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SUCSESSES

<p> ATF – CHICAGO FIELD DIVISION</p> <p>A federal officer was ambushed in a shooting assault. A DFR and compelling expert testimony supported a successful prosecution and charges.</p>	<p> WESTERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK</p> <p>Man who was part of violent area group for more than a decade was convicted of murder and firearms offenses aided by expert testimony and DFR.</p>
<p> ALAMEDA COUNTY, CALIFORNIA</p> <p>DFR and expert testimony helped corroborate kidnapped victim's report of a shooting – added 20 years to potential prison sentence, influencing defendant to plea deal.</p>	<p> SOUTH BEND, INDIANA</p> <p>Murder trial on appeal upholds guilty verdict in less than one hour with DFR and expert testimony.</p>
<p> SAVANNAH, GEORGIA</p> <p>Case result changed in favor of defendant after DFR revealed time conflict in the time and place of shooting.</p>	<p> DENVER, COLORADO</p> <p>Expert witness testimony helped secure guilty verdict in 2nd degree murder case.</p>
<p> WASHINGTON D.C. – U.S. ATTORNEY'S OFFICE</p> <p>Shotspotter audio was the last piece of evidence a jury asked to hear before returning a guilty verdict for a defendant convicted of AWIK while armed, possession of a firearm during a crime of violence, assault, and unlawful possession of a firearm and ammunition.</p>	<p> BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS</p> <p>With expert testimony and DFR aiding the case, a man received a life sentence without the possibility of parole for his first degree murder under theory of deliberate premeditation and extreme cruelty and atrocity.</p>



[ShotSpotter expert witness] testimony summarizing the technology used to evaluate the evidence found at the crime scene... undoubtedly solidified for the jury the verdict of guilty.

TIM JONES, Special Agent, ATF – Chicago Field Division



[ShotSpotter provided] a truly great witness. I particularly appreciated your responsiveness and willingness to work within our unpredictable schedule. I think your testimony and analysis had a huge impact on the jury in all three trials.

EVERARDO A. RODRIGUEZ, Assistant United States Attorney, WDNV



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