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Joanne Archambault is the Executive Director of End Violence Against Women International (EVAWI) and the President and Training Director of SATI, Inc. (Sexual Assault Training and Investigations) SATI provides effective, victim centered, multi-disciplinary training and expert consultation regarding crimes of sexual assault. In January 2003, Ms. Archambault founded EVAW International, a non-profit organization dedicated to providing affordable training for all disciplines with an emphasis on the law enforcement investigation and proper criminal justice responses to sexual assault and domestic violence. EVAW International also supports and conducts research on the sexual assault of women and adolescents. Ms. Archambault serves as co-editor of the *Sexual Assault Report* and she is a member of CounterQuo, a national initiative that seeks to challenge and change media and legal responses to sexual violence. In April 2010, Ms. Archambault was honored by U.S. Attorney General Eric Holder for her decades of tireless work on behalf of sexual assault victims, a prestigious National Crime Victims' Service Award for Allied Professionals. On October 27, 2010, Ms. Archambault was invited to meet with President Obama and Vice President Biden for the first assembly on violence against women to ever be held at the White House.

Prior to full time consulting work, Ms. Archambault worked for the San Diego Police Department for almost 23 years, until her retirement in October 2002. From 1985 to 1988, she served as a detective in the Child Abuse Unit. In 1987, she developed the first curriculum for the investigation of Child Abuse for the San Diego Police and Reserve Academy. Other assignments included Internal Affairs, the Office of Equal Employment Opportunity, Patrol and Crimes Against Persons and Gangs. In 1991, she revamped the sexual assault curriculum at the San Diego Regional Law Enforcement Academy. During the last ten years of her service, Sergeant Archambault supervised the Sex Crimes Unit. The unit has 13 detectives and is responsible for investigating approximately 1,000 felony sexual assaults within the City of San Diego each year. During her tenure as supervisor, she co-authored the San Diego County Sexual Assault Response Team (SART) Resource Pamphlet and she produced a video on SART; which is used as a training aid for professionals responding to sexual assault.

Sergeant Archambault has written and co-authored a number of articles and chapters on various subjects relating to the criminal justice response to sexual assault crimes. They address topics such as: the role of law enforcement, the Forensic Examination, the impact of DNA and overcoming a consent defense. She has lectured extensively to multi-disciplinary audiences on the role of law enforcement in the investigation of Sex Crimes throughout the U.S. and abroad.