

RIOT Symposium

Protecting Financial Institutions: A One-Day Training Symposium



March 5, 2026

from 8:30am to 4:30pm

Embassy Suites Round Rock
Angus Meeting Room
270 Bass Pro Dr.
Round Rock, Texas 78665

Join us for a Comprehensive Training on
Modern Threats to Financial Institutions

Topics Covered

The Rise of Check Fraud

Presented by: Guy Becker, Kristopher James Company

While checks are a declining form of payment, check fraud has increased significantly over the last five years. We will explore who uses checks (including the trajectory of that usage), key aspects of check fraud, and basic steps everyone can take to mitigate the risk of check fraud.

Crypto's Evolution and the New Era of Government-Backed Digital Currency

Presented by: Lindsay Timcke Risk Management LLC (TRM)

This session examines the evolution of digital currency as governments move toward regulated, asset-backed stablecoins and modernized payment rails. We'll explore how these developments will reshape settlement speed, liquidity management, compliance expectations, and competitive dynamics across the banking sector. The discussion also addresses the darker side of this transition, including how criminals will exploit new digital-currency infrastructure for fraud, money laundering, and cross-border financial crime. Attendees will leave with a clear, pragmatic understanding of both the opportunities and the emerging threat landscape as digital currency becomes integrated into mainstream finance.

Texas Juggling Bank Crimes and 29.04 Investigations

Presented by: John Nelson, Detective, Austin Police Department Robbery Unit

Detective John Nelson works with the Austin Police Department Robbery Unit and focuses on juggling crimes through reported criminal cases and proactive investigations. Detective Nelson will review trends in the juggling bank crime modus operandi observed both before and after the new Texas Penal Code statute 29.04 went into effect September 1, 2025. Detective Nelson will also discuss investigative needs on the law-enforcement and prosecutorial sides, as well as proactive strategies for reducing risk in related private-sector industries. A case study charged under the new law will be presented.

Inside the Modern Ransomware Economy: What Bank Leaders Must Anticipate Next

Presented by: Lindsay Timcke Risk Management LLC (TRM)

This session breaks down how the modern ransomware economy operates and why financial institutions sit at the center of both the threat and the fallout. We'll examine how ransomware disrupts core banking functions—from payment operations to customer access—and how criminal groups increasingly target banks for extortion, data theft, and access to downstream clients. The discussion also highlights how attackers exploit financial rails, cryptocurrency flows, and third-party dependencies to launder proceeds and scale their operations. Attendees will leave with a clear understanding of the operational, regulatory, and reputational risks banks face as ransomware continues to evolve.

Robbery Prevention and Preparedness

Presented by: Shawn Scott, Executive Director, RIOT

In the unfortunate event of a robbery, training equips staff to recognize, prevent, and respond to robbery threats. This program enhances safety, safeguards assets, mitigates financial loss, and reinforces your organization's commitment to employee protection, customer well-being, and regulatory compliance through proactive threat management.

Benefits of Attending

This one-day symposium equips financial institution employees with critical knowledge and practical strategies to proactively address emerging security and fraud risks, ensuring better preparedness in today's rapidly evolving threat environment.

Who Should Attend:

- Branch Management and Supervisory Roles
- Corporate and Regional Leadership
- Security Personnel, Operations and Compliance
- IT, Risk Management and Fraud Prevention Teams
- Frontline Staff
- Law Enforcement - *TCOLE hours available*

Key Takeaways:

- How regulated digital currencies will accelerate payments and reshape banking operations while introducing new fraud and financial crime risks institutions must be prepared to manage.
- Examining evolving juggling bank crime trends under Texas's new statute, highlighting investigative considerations and proactive strategies to reduce risk through real-world case study insights.
- Explore how ransomware targets financial institutions, disrupting operations and exploiting financial systems, while revealing the evolving risks to banks' security, compliance, and reputation.
- Rise in check fraud despite declining usage, examining who still uses checks, how fraud occurs, and simple steps individuals and institutions can take to reduce risk.
- Practical strategies to prepare for and respond to robberies, enhancing staff readiness, reducing risk, and supporting a coordinated, safe response.

Benefit of Attendance:

- Increased security awareness
- Regulatory compliance
- Enhanced preparedness
- Valuable networking
- Actionable strategies

Participants not only safeguard their institution but also contribute to a safer and more resilient financial landscape. Space is LIMITED! Secure your spot today!

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