



Theodore Swanson joined the **Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office** in 2006 and has been in the **Human Sex Trafficking Unit** since its inception. Prior to joining the trafficking unit, Mr. Swanson was in the **Victim Impact Program** where he focused on matters involving uniquely vulnerable victims. There he handled cases involving domestic violence, stalking, sex crimes and child abuse, including murders of children and babies. Mr. Swanson has **conducted over 100 criminal jury trials**.

Since joining the trafficking unit, Mr. Swanson has focused exclusively on sex trafficking matters, including trying 11 matters to verdict and securing convictions in each. Mr. Swanson has accompanied law enforcement agencies on numerous undercover operations and handles his cases from filing to sentencing, which has given him the opportunity to dive deeply into both the psyche of the trafficker and the victim. As part of his everyday duties in gathering evidence, Mr. Swanson has listened to hundreds of hours of jail calls involving suspected traffickers, has read tens of thousands of text messages and social media posts, and has spoken to both victims and traffickers.

Beyond his everyday duties as a trial attorney, Mr. Swanson conducts trainings with the **Los Angeles Police Department** nationally. He also educates community groups and governmental and prosecutorial agencies both in the U.S. and internationally.