**Presenters’ Biographies: Regional Training 2016**

**W. Ken Moore, Esq.**

Mr. Moore is an Assistant Deputy Attorney General at the SC Attorney General’s Office. He has been practicing at the AG’s Office for 38 years. Presently, he is the Senior Prosecutor in the Medicaid Fraud Control Unit. His primary duties include supervising the investigation and prosecution of cases of abuse, neglect or financial exploitation of vulnerable adults and the investigation and prosecution of patient abuse in nursing homes and other facilitates that receive federal funding. He has been prosecuting abuse, neglect and exploitation cases since 1995.

**Dale Watson**

Ms. Watson works in the Lieutenant Governor’s Office on Aging and is the State Long Term Care Ombudsman. She completed her bachelor’s degree in Interdisciplinary Studies and her master’s degrees in Audiology from the University of South Carolina. Ms. Watson has worked in the Office on Aging for the past twenty years. Previously, she worked at the SC Department of Mental Health in long term care facilities. She has more than 30 years of experience working with older South Carolinians or persons who have a disability.

As the State Long Term Care Ombudsman, she is the chief advocate for persons who reside in long term care facilities. Her responsibilities include advocating for residents’ rights and quality care; educating consumers, families and providers; and representing the interest of residents before governmental bodies. Ms. Watson oversees the Elder Rights Division, including long term care advocacy programs, Medicare/Medicaid Dual Eligibles, and educational outreach on advance directives, prevention of elder abuse, neglect and exploitation issues, as well as the availability of legal services.

**Russell Causey**

Mr. Causey is a Special Agent with the South Carolina Law Enforcement Division (SLED). He has an Associates in Criminal Justice degree from Kaplan University and is a graduate of the South Carolina Criminal Justice Academy. Mr. Causey began his career with the North Myrtle Beach Department of Public Safety in 1997 as a Firefighter/EMT. In 1999, he changed assignments to the patrol division as a police officer. Working every aspect of road patrol, he became one of four crime scene technicians for the department. Mr. Causey was promoted into the criminal investigations division in 2010. During the role as an investigator, he was tasked with every form of case from the simplest case up to homicides. He furthered his education in crime scene investigations as well as being one of two latent print (fingerprint) examiners for the department.

In 2013, Mr. Causey began a new career with SLED and was assigned to the Vulnerable Adult Investigative Unit (VAIU). He is assigned to the Pee Dee Region of the state. The VAIU conducts investigations into the abuse, neglect, exploitation, and fatalities of our states vulnerable adults. Mr. Causey works closely with local law enforcement agencies, county disability boards as well as state operated DDSN and DMH facilities to ensure the safety of the vulnerable adults. He also travels the state conducting training on abuse, neglect and exploitation for various agencies.