



Call for Articles

The FALI Forum always welcomes articles from members, and other colleagues for our digital newsletter, which is published every other month (bi-monthly). Please follow the editorial guidelines below for submissions. These guidelines are designed to help you, the writer, understand what we accept and don't accept for inclusion in our article database. Our GOAL is to provide a professional publication designed to convey the latest news of interest to FALI members and private investigators. The FALI Editor reserves the right to edit, or refuse publication of any submission, at any time.

Editorial Guidelines for Submitting to the FALI Forum

- a. **MUST BE AN ORIGINAL ARTICLE THAT YOU WROTE.** If you are submitting the article, please submit the article as the original author, i.e. meaning that you wrote 100% of the copy. We accept reprints with express author authorization.
- b. **MUST BE INFORMATIVE** and share your unique expertise. Include tips, strategies, techniques, case-studies, analysis, opinions and commentary in your article. Please make notable quotes separating facts and opinions as to not confuse the reader. We do not accept articles that contain more than 5-lines of quoted or sourced material. Advertorials are not acceptable
- c. **MUST BE TIGHTLY WRITTEN** articles; 750 to 1,500 words for feature articles; shorter articles of 350-750 words are great for "filler space" and 120-300 words for news, press releases, etc.
- d. **OUR DEADLINE** is the 10th of each month prior to issue, 15th is final deadline. Send articles to: admin@fali.org
- e. **ISSUE SCHEDULE:** January/February "New Year Issue" (Due December 10th); March/April "Pre-Conference Issue" (Due February 10th); May/June "Post-Conference Issue" (Due April 10th). July/August "Back to School Issue" (Due June 10th); September/October "Fall Issue" *Due August 10th) November/December "Holiday Issue" (Due October 10th);

Dos

- Do submit your article in a timely manner
- Write about what you know and current issues
- Format in single space lined, double between paragraphs
- Use your spell checker & word count before you submit article
- Submit name, contact info, brief bio of author
- Articles in Word document or PDF editable format preferred
- If submitting a photo: headshot only or related pic
- Use simple grammar and, again spell-check!

Don'ts

- Don't wait until last minute, Submit early!
- Don't criticize
- Don't write pep talks/personal messages
- Don't write an over complicated article
- Don't format using bold, italics
- Don't get discouraged, try a brief article first
- Don't forget to use spell-check!
- Don't submit if you are not willing to have the article reprinted in FALI social media.

FALI will not publish hateful, harmful or defamatory content and reserves the right to refuse any material for publication. We encourage submissions to include a contact phone number, email address and a photo. FALI reserves the right to distribute material published via email, databases and to publish the views of those who might disagree with you. FALI reserves the right to edit and correct submissions for factual accuracy and/or readability as required.