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Butch Hendrick and his family started and ran one of the first scuba resorts in the Caribbean in Puerto Rico. They were innovators, pioneers, and leaders in the sport diving industry. They installed and ran the only nonmilitary hyperbaric chamber in the Caribbean. Hendrick performed many rescues of divers and other people in the water, and he started the first diving rescue team in the area.. He went on to develop many of the procedures used and taught today such as the rescue do-si-do and in-water mouth to mouth for scuba accidents. He developed many Island safety emergency management plans and safety protocols, such as those used today by the Cayman Islands and Bonaire.

Published over 300 times, Hendrick is a noted International public speaker, and expert.

Hendrick has been training public safety dive teams, sport divers, and rescue personnel for over 52 years in over 15 countries. He is a major innovator and contributor to the water rescue industry. He is one of the most important fathers of diver safety education, always striving for increased safety standards.

President and founder of Lifeguard Systems, Inc., an international rescue and recovery training company. Lifeguard Systems is the oldest Public Safety Diving and Ice Rescue Training company with the same continuous owner and President in the United States.

President and founder of RIPTIDE, Inc, a nonprofit organization dedicated to drowning prevention, drowning victim recovery, and homicidal drowning investigation.

Certifying Agencies

- American Canadian Underwater Certifications Instructor Trainer Evaluator #501US
- (1968) National Association of Underwater Instructors #1724L and NAUI Course Director
- (1969) Professional Association of Diving Instructors #2382
- (2008) PADI Master Scuba Diver Trainer MSDT-64142, as of March 19, 2008.
- Divers Alert Network Oxygen Provider Instructor #068 (inactive)
- NASAR Water Rescue Instructor
- American Red Cross Basic Life-support Instructor (expired)
- New York State EMT (expired)
- 15-Ton U.S. Coast Guard Approved Captain (expired)
- Ulster County Deputy Sheriff, part time
- State of Connecticut Law Enforcement Trainer
- Arkansas Commission Certified Law Enforcement Instructor, as of April 25, 2008

Past Positions

- 1966-68 U.S. Navy
- 1968 San Juan Rescue Squad, Puerto Rico Developer and Training Director
- 1968-70 Puerto Rico International Undersea Laboratories Training Officer and Safety Coordinator
- 1969-70 University of Puerto Rico Safety Back-up and Recompression Chamber Tender
- 1978 U.S. Green Berets Safety Coordinator for the Diver Trainer Program

- 1978, 1981-86 NASAR Contributor, Lecturer and Eastern Regional Director
- 1981-85 Sports Rites Club & British Sub-Aqua Club Safety Advisor
- 1978-88 Trainer for FDNY Rescue Companies' Dive Team
- 1988-1995 Underwater Society of America Safety Chairman
- On the Board of Directors for several agencies including NAUI, and ANSI.
- 1998-9 Technical Editor for *SORTIE* magazine
- 1998-9 Co-producer of Operation Water conferences
- 1998-present Founder and President of RIPTIDE (501C3)
- Founder and current President of Lifeguard Systems

Received (not all inclusive):

- The International Leonard Greenstone Award for Major Contribution to Diving Safety
- Four NAUI Outstanding Contributions to Diving Awards
- The first Divers Alert Network/Rolex Diver of the Year Award for Diving Safety
- Beneath the Sea/Underwater Society of America Diver of the Year Award for Diving Education
- Underwater Canada Rogues' Gallery inductee
- British Sub-Aqua Club Outstanding Contribution to Diving Safety Award
- Ontario Underwater Council Outstanding Recognition Award
- South African Paramedics Achievement Award
- Boston Sea Rover Lifetime Achievement Award
- Ulster County Sheriff's Dept. Life Saving Award 2003: an act performed in the line of duty
- 50th Anniversary NOGI Award, Nov 5, 2009, Academy of Underwater Arts and Sciences, awarded at DEMA
- 2017 NAUI Certificate of Appreciation for presenting the Leadership Rescue Workshop, July 23

Speaker at the following conferences:

- Beneath the Sea, NY & NJ
- Boston Sea Rover, MA
- Our World-Underwater, IL
- NAUI North Atlantic Annual Conference
- NAUI Underwater Education Conference, FL, PA, and various other locations
- British Sub-Aqua Club annual conference, UK
- Camden University of Medicine and Dentistry Rescue Operations Conference, NJ
- Diving Equipment Manufacturer Association Annual Convention, CA, NV, FL, ...
- International Police Diver Symposium, Hamilton, Ontario
- Let's Get Wet Montreal Show
- The Living Seas - EPCOT Center/Disney World
- Diving conference, AZ
- New Jersey Dive Council
- NASAR Annual Conference
- Dive Med, South Africa
- Marine Medicine Conference, San Diego
- International Association of Dive Rescue Specialists, FL
- European Life-Saving Association International Congress on Rescue
- NAUI Asia International Conference on Diving Education, Kuala Lumpur.
- SRDR, TN
- Fire Department Instructor Conference (Fire Engineering), IN
- New York Fire Chief's Show

- USCG Surface Ice Rescue Conference 2004
- 2005: 32nd New England Seminar in Forensic Sciences, Colby University, ME
- 2005, 2006: United States Coast Guard Ice Symposium, Saginaw MI
- 2009: National Center for Missing & Exploited Children Team Adam Training Conference October 14, 2 hrs, Pediatric drowning investigations and dive team operations
- 2009: November 3, Public Safety Diving, 8 hrs, DEMA, Orlando, FL
- 2010: April 19 & 20: 4 hour Ice and water rescue workshop, 1 hr 45 min Swiftwater Rescue Talk. FDIC Indianapolis, IN
- 2011: Submerged Vehicles Investigation, 90 min, Aug 17, International Assoc. of Auto Theft Investigators Conference, Atlantic City NJ
- 2013: March 1*12, 4 hours – How to teach a more effective Rescue Diver course, 4-hours the Art of Divemastering. 45 minutes – UW movement – all three done with Andrea Zaferes
- 2013: March 22: 1:45 min – zero visibility diving (Zaferes and Hendrick) during the PSD day. March 23: 3.5 hours – How to Teach a better Rescue Diver Course paid workshop (Zaferes and Hendrick)
- 2014: Boston Sea Rover, Danvers MA, March 9: Evolution of Diving over 50 years – What have we thrown away and lost? 45 minutes. And, Self-Preservation Workshop, 4 hours, March 8.
- 2015: USCG/NASBLA Ice Rescue Conference Feb 26-27: one of three panel members Dynamic Water Ice Rescue Feb 26, 90 minute presentation The Reality of Ice Rescue Feb 27.
- 2015: Beneath the Sea Dive Show, Moving Water PSD 60 min, 27th, Self-Preservation and Self-Rescue from basic to leadership level divers, 4 hours, 29th, Meadowlands NJ
- 2015: Minnesota Search & Rescue Conference, Jamestown MN, October 9-10, 8 hrs on Public safety diving and mass disasters.
- 2015: Diving Equipment & Marketing Association, Public Safety Diving Standards talk, Dive Training Standards Talk.
- 2016: Boston Sea Rover Clinic, Dive Gear Friend or Foe talk, Self-Rescue Skills workshop, Danvers CT, March 5-6
- 2016: Beneath the Sea Show, Dive Accident Investigation for the Public Safety Day, Dive Accident Investigation for the Diving Sciences Symposium, Dive Accident Investigation Workshop (4 hours), Meadowlands, NJ, April 1, 3.
- 2017: Boston Sea Rover Dive Show, Knot tying for divers and rescuers workshop (3 hrs), Advanced Underwater Movement workshop (3 hrs), Diving physics (50 min), Danvers CT, March 11-12
- 2017: Beneath The Sea Dive Show, Flood and swiftwater rescue for PSD talks(50 min), Knot tying for divers and rescuers workshop (3 hrs), Advanced Underwater Movement workshop (3 hrs), Returning to the lost art of teaching people how to be safer in the water! (talk 50 min) March 24-26.
- 2018: NAUI IQ at the Scuba Show, Long Beach CA, June 23, Leadership Level Rescue, 1 hour
- 2019: Beneath the Sea, Meadowlands NJ, PSD day Aquatic Physics for PSD 1 hr, Self-preservation and self-rescue workshop 3 hrs, Dress for Success (dive gear safety) workshop 3 hrs, Advanced Underwater Movement talk 45 min, Advanced Underwater Movement workshop 3 hrs, March 29-31.
- 2019: DEMA-NAUI, Orlando. November 7. 45 minutes on leadership Level Rescue.

Television Interviews starting in 2012

- 2012 January 17-19 re: the Costa Concordia rescue operations
 - CBC: <http://www.cbc.ca/connect/video.html>
 - CNN: Anderson Cooper <http://www.cnn.com/video/#/video/international/2012/01/18/ac-rescue-divers-new-video.cnn>
 - CNN: Anderson Cooper http://ac360.blogs.cnn.com/2012/01/17/video-dangerous-waters-for-rescue-divers/?hpt=ac_t2
 - CNN: Anderson Cooper http://ac360.blogs.cnn.com/2012/01/16/video-risky-search-for-potential-survivors/?hpt=ac_bn2
- 2018 More than 40 interviews re: the Thailand Cave rescue of a boys soccer team

Has written and produced the following audiovisual programs:

- *Blackwater Contingency Procedures*
- *Flooding of a Drysuit*
- *Rapid Drysuit Dressing*
- *Training of a Rescue Diver*
- *Scuba Instructor Readiness Series*, a ten-hour audiovisual and 700 page Workbook/Answerbook
- *Buoyancy Control*
- *Surface Ice Rescue*
- *Field Neurological Evaluation*

Publications

Journals Include, but not limited to:

- *The Dive Journal* -Contributing Editor
- *Fire Engineering* - former Contributing Editor
- *Technical Rescue*
- *Sources*, the NAUI Instructor Journal – Former Contributing Editor
- *Undersea Journal*, the PADI Instructor Journal
- *Northeast Dive Journal*
- *ACUC Instructor Journal*
- *SORTIE*
- *Immersed-International Technical Diving Magazine*
- *Scuba Times*
- *Blueline* Canadian Police Magazine
- *California Diving News*
- *Underwater USA*
- *Skin Diver Magazine*
- *Fire Rescue* UK
- *Advanced Rescue Technologies*
- *Frontline First Responder* Disaster Management & Domestic Preparedness. “A three part series on Mass Casualty Water Disasters”. 2004-5
- Hendrick, W. (1997) BLACK WATER SEARCH & RECOVERY CHALLENGES
- *Immersed; Fall 2(3):31-36*

Hendrick, W. (1997) FULL FACE MASK DIVING
Dive Journal; Mar/Apr 2(2): 24-25

Hendrick, W. (1997) COMMUNICATING WITH THE MIND'S EYE-BLACK WATER

EMERGENCY COMMUNICATION

Dive Journal; Jan/Feb 3(1): 18

Hendrick, W. (1996) ...WE CAN HELP TWA FLIGHT #800

Dive Journal; Oct/Nov 2(5): 8-9

Hendrick, W. (1996) COMMUNICATING WITH THE MIND'S EYE-BLACKWATER
TETHERED DIVING LINE SIGNALS

Dive Journal; Jun/Jul :15-16

Hendrick, W. (1996) COMM W/ THE MIND'S EYE-CONTINGENCY SIGNALS *Dive
Journal; Aug/Sep 2(4):7*

Hendrick, W. (1995) THE STRONG MAY NOT SURVIVE Part 2

Dive Journal; Oct/Nov: 21-22

Hendrick, W. (1995) THE STRONG MAY NOT SURVIVE Part 1

Dive Journal; Summer:4-6

Hendrick, W. (1995) THE STRONG MAY NOT SURVIVE

Sources; May/Jun:31-33

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Pages 1-8

Hendrick, W. (1993) TETHERED DIVER SYNDROME

Sources; Mar/Apr:31-35

Hendrick, W. (1993) RAPID DEPLOYMENT SEARCH & RESCUE RECOVERY

Undersea Journal; Second quarter:58-63

Hendrick, W. (1991) TURNOUT GEAR IN THE WATER:SINK OR SWIM?

Fire Engineering; Jul 114(7):78-82

Hendrick, W. (1991) TETHERED DIVER SYNDROME

Fire Engineering; May 114(5):77-82

Hendrick, W. (1990) LEADERSHIP IN DIVE RESCUE & RECOVERY

Sources; Sep/Oct:35-37

Hendrick, W.(1990) TRAINING DIVERS FOR MINIMAL OR ZERO VISIBILITY

Fire Engineering; May:67-68

Hendrick, W. (1990) SEARCH TECHNIQUES FOR DIVERS

Fire Engineering; Mar:64-70

Hendrick, W. TRAINING THE BLIND

Pages 1-6; 2 copies

Hendrick, W. (1989) DIVE RESCUE SERIES: LOCATING YOUR OBJECTIVE

Fire Engineering; Jul:49-52

- Hendrick, W. (1987) DIVE RESCUE SERIES: IN-WATER RESCUE VESSELS
Fire Engineering; Jan:43-46
- Hendrick, W. (1986) DIVE RESCUE SERIES: MOVING WATER
Fire Engineering; Oct:36-38
- Hendrick, W. (1986) EXECUTING A RIVER RESCUE
Fire Engineering; Sep:10-12
- Hendrick, W. (1986) DIVE RESCUE SERIES: DIVE TEAM TRAINEES LEARN TO MAKE RESCUE A REALITY
Fire Engineering; Aug:22-23
- Hendrick, W. (1986) DIVE RESCUE SERIES: AIR MOST IMPORTANT WHEN IT'S NOT THERE!
Fire Engineering; Jul:19-21
- Hendrick, W. (1986) DIVE RESCUE SERIES: UNDERWATER BREATHING SYSTEMS-WHAT ARE YOUR OPTIONS?
Fire Engineering; Jun:23-25
- Hendrick, W. (1986) DIVE RESCUE SERIES: GEAR UP FOR IN-WATER RESCUE
Fire Engineering; May:18-20
- Hendrick, W. (1986) DIVE RESCUE SERIES: RESCUE VS. RECOVERY
Fire Engineering; Apr:21-23
- Hendrick, W. (1985) IN-WATER FIREFIGHTING UNITS
Fire Engineering; Oct:30-40
- Hendrick, W. WHEN IT ALL GOES WRONG, ARE YOU READY?
- Hendrick, W. DROWNPROOFING TURNOUT GEAR
Sortie; 1(4):12, 28
- Hendrick, W. MAKING A MOLEHILL OUT OF A MOUNTAIN:LARGE AREA SEARCH-Pt 1
Sortie; 1(3):14
- Hendrick, W. IT'S THE LITTLE THINGS THAT COUNT! ANYONE CAN DROWN
Sortie; 1(3):24
- Hendrick, W. I'M OK!
Sortie; 1(2):23, 34
- Hendrick, W. THERE MAY BE MORE TO IT THAN MEETS THE EYE!
Sortie; 1(2):20
- Hendrick, W. GPS VS DGPS & THEIR ROLE IN SEARCH & RECOVERY

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Hendrick, W. CATCH ME IF YOU CAN: SOME BASICS ON MOVING WATER
Sortie; 1(2):30-31, 38

Hendrick, W. HOW BIG IS "BIG?" LARGE AREA SEARCH-Pt 2
Sortie; 1(4):21, 28

Hendrick, W. (1997) WATER SEARCH & RESCUE
Fire Engineering; Oct:48-50

Hendrick, W. (1997) I'M OK-AN INTRO TO DIVER MENTAL STRESS &
PHYSICAL FATIGUE
Dive Journal; May/Jun:46-47

Hendrick, W. Sr. SEARCH & RESCUE
Scuba Times; Pages 10-11

Hendrick, W. Sr. BUOYANCY & BUOYANCY CONTROL
Sources; May/Jun:35-38

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Fire & Rescue; Jan:53-55

Hendrick, W. (1996) TECHNICAL ICE DIVING
Northeast Dive Journal; Feb/Mar:13-14

Hendrick, W. (1996) ICE & WATER RESCUE
Fire & Rescue; Jan:50-51

Hendrick, W. (1994) THE PARAMETERS OF SAFE ICE DIVING
Sources; Mar/Apr:37-41

Hendrick, W. (1989) THE SUMMER COLD
Fire Engineering; May/Jun:65-67

Hendrick, W., Thompson, B. (1989) HYPOTHERMIA & THE SCUBA DIVER
Fire Engineering; Mar:18-21

TEACHING

Hendrick, W. (1996) A LITTLE SOUL SEARCHING
Sources; Spring:3-4

Hendrick, W. HOW WE LEARN-RETENTION

Hendrick, W. (1995) LOOKING BACK TO LOOK AT THE FUTURE

Sources; Jul/Aug:47

Hendrick, W. (1994) NOT JUST BLACK & WHITE COLORS CAN BE DYNAMIC
Sources; Sep/Oct:28-30

Hendrick, W. (1994) THE EFFECTIVE DIVE INSTRUCTOR
Sources; May/Jun:29-31

Hendrick, W. (1994) SIMPLE THINGS CAN MEAN A LOT
Sources; Jan/Feb:38-39

Hendrick, W. (1991) NITROX-AN EDUCATED CONSUMER
Sources; Sep/Oct:10-12

SPORT DIVING

Hendrick, W. STAYIN' ALIVE
Rodale's Scuba Diving; Aug:74-78

Hendrick, W. DRESS FOR SUCCESS
Rodale's Scuba Diving; Jun:72-73

Hendrick, W. (1993) THROUGH MY EYES-"LET'S FAIL EM FOR DOING WHAT WE TOLD EM"
Nor'easter; Summer:3

Hendrick, W. (1991) THE GREAT COMPRESSION CHASE
Sources; May/Jun:39-40

Hendrick, W. (1989) ALTERNATE AIR SOURCES, AGAIN
Sources; May/Jun:48-49

Hendrick, W. "A" IS A CATEGORY

MISC

Hendrick, W. OXYGEN & EMERGENCY FIRST AID

Hendrick, W. OXYGEN & THE SCUBA DIVER

Hendrick, W. GET IT OUT OF HERE, PICK IT UP & MOVE IT

Hendrick, W. (1995) ROGUE WARRIOR REVIEW
Sea Breeze; Mar:5

Cleary, J. SAFETY IS OUR GOAL; INTERVIEW WITH LIFEGUARD SYSTEMS
Sub Aqua Journal; May:12-13

Cush, C. (1987) WALT "BUTCH" HENDRICK: RESCUE EXPERT FROM LGS
Underwater USA; Apr:39

Hendrick, W. (1989) A HORSE BY A DIFFERENT COLOR
Nor'easter; Jul:3

Manuals and Books (some co-authored with Andrea Zaferes)

- *How to Drownproof Yourself*, for U.S. Coast Guard
- *Oxygen and the Scuba Diver*
- *Field Neurological Guide and Workbook*
- *Scuba Instructor Readiness Series Workbook and Answerbook*
- contributed to the *National Oceanic Atmospheric Administration Manual*, Second and Third Editions
- *Surface Ice Rescue* Pennwell Publishing, 1999 (220 pgs)
- *Public Safety Diving*, Pennwell Publishing, 2000 (340 pgs)
- *Ice Diving Operations*, Pennwell Publishing, 2004 (454 pgs)

Certification Training Programs Written and Currently Taught

Surface Rescue Programs:

- Surface Ice Rescue Awareness
- Surface Ice Rescue Operations
- Surface Ice Rescue Technician I, II, III
- Surface Ice Rescue Technician Instructor
- Small Boat Handling Surface Rescue
- Swiftwater Rescue I, II
- Surf Rescue I, II
- Ocean Rescue
- Drownproofing Turnout Gear
- Rescue Swimmer
- Personal Watercraft Rescue Operations
- Advanced Free Diving

Diving Rescue and Recovery Programs:

- Rapid Deployment Search & Rescue I, II
- Underwater Vehicle Extrication I, II
- Large Area Search I, with Sleds, II
- Blackwater Search Operations
- Fastwater Search Operations
- Ice Diving Rescue/Recovery I, II
- Ice Diving Underwater Vehicle Extrication
- Deep Water Rescue/Recovery
- Ocean Rescue/Recovery
- GPS, DGPS, Sonar training
- Rapid Deployment Drysuit Training
- Shark Attack Rescue
- Field Neurological Evaluation
- Underwater Investigations
- Buoyancy Control for Underwater Crime Scene Investigation
- Oxygen Administration Programs for Divers (Begun in the early 1970's)
- Scuba Instructor Training

- Scuba Instructor Trainer Training
- Phase 1 Public Safety Diver Instructor Training

Other Programs

- Homicidal Drowning Investigation
- Teaching the teacher
- Ice Drowning Prevention program for children

Equipment Design

- Lifeguard Systems Public Safety Diver Buoyancy Compensator
- Lifeguard Systems Tethered Diving Contingency Line
- Lifeguard Systems Diving and Surface Ice Rescue Harness
- Lifeguard Systems Rescue Throw Rope Bag
- SOS™ portable hyperbaric chamber consultant & instructor trainer
- Past Consultant for the Ocean Edge™ Full-Face Mask
- Design consultant for MARSARS™ water rescue equipment
- Consultant for Simulaids™ Mannequins

Procedures: Hendrick has developed hundreds of widely used, effective, state-of-the-art, rescue techniques and procedures. To just name a few:

- Do-si-do tow and In-Water Rescue Breathing, first demonstrated at Temple University
- Blackwater Contingency Hand Signals and Procedures
- Rescue Throw Rope Bag
- Bolting Diver Rescue Technique (how to stop and rescue a panicked, rapidly ascending, out-of-air diver)
- Rapid deployment ice diving SAR procedures for thin ice.
- Designated Area Diving for Ice Diving Operations
- Swiftwater surface rescue quick-release, diagonal hanging strap system
- The Lifeguard Systems Field Neurological Exam for diving accidents
- and so much more!

Expert Legal Witness

A partial list of several other cases on which I have worked as an expert witness or investigator pertaining to liability for both the plaintiff and defendant: ***testified in court**

- 1987: Witness for Sullivan in Sullivan *versus* Club Med, scuba diver drowned. *
- 1987: Witness for Orbit Marine in Estate of Lewis Egland, Jr. *versus* Orbit Marine, diver death in 130 feet of water. *
- 1988: Witness for PADI, near-drowning of diver.
- 1988: Witness for Lady Cyana Divers in Carvello *versus* Lady Cyana Divers, diver drowning. *
- 1988: Witness for Diving Unlimited, International in Williams *versus* Diving Unlimited, International, diver drowned due to broken Drysuit vent valve.
- 1989: Witness for Explorer Venture in Heiser *versus* Explorer Venture, Ltd, death of a scuba instructor based on mishandling of a vessel.
- 1989: Witness for Bogos in Bogos *versus* Habitat Divers, drowning of a scuba diver.
- 1990: Witness for Holzberger in Dukelow *versus* Holzberger, diver drowned on open water dive; suit against physician who approved man for scuba diving.
- 1990: Witness for Divers World in Clemonts *versus* Divers World, death of a scuba diver in 165 feet of water. *
- 1991: Witness for Port Jefferson Divers in Romeo *versus* Port Jefferson Divers, death of a scuba diver.

- 1992: Witness for Picciotto for Picciotto *versus* Marina Cay Reef, scuba diver drowned.
- 1992: Witness for Linda Stirm in Linda Stirm *versus* Thomas Nocella, drowning of a scuba diver. The case was based on an irresponsible buddy.
- 1992: Witness for Villela in Villela *versus* PADI, death of a diver in three person buddy team.
- 1993: Witness for Beauregard in Beauregard *versus* Pioneer Hydro Power Corporation, drowning of a scuba diver while cleaning intake for power plant.
- 1993: Witness for Howard Carswell in Howard Carswell *versus* New York City Police Department, injury of diver due to deployment from helicopter into three feet of water. *
- 1993: Witness for Jill White in Jill White *versus* Underwater Ventures, Physical injury from dive master entering water.
- 1996: Witness for Lichtman in Burke *versus* Lichtman, death of a scuba diver.
- 1996: Witness for Dutch Springs in Burke *versus* Dutch Springs, death of a scuba diver.
- 1997: Witness for Billings in Billings *versus* Club Med, injury of diver while exiting water. *
- 1997: Witness for Marsha Beard in Beard *versus* Island Hoppers Dive Center, drowning of scuba diver. *
- 1997: Witness for Dutch Springs in Simmons *versus* Dutch Springs, drowning of scuba diver.
- 1998: Witness for Noel Voroba in Frazer *versus* Noel Voroba. Death of a scuba diver.
- 1999: Witness for Drobitsch in Drobitsch *versus* unknown, death of public safety diver.
- 2000: Witness for Solomon in Solomon *versus* Club Med, death of a scuba diver and loss of his body.
- 2000: Witness for Aleta Sturdivant, et al. in Aleta Sturdivant, et al *versus* Parrot's Landing Water Sport Ltd, death of a scuba diver left unattended.
- 2002: Witness for Brian Schiner in Schiner *versus* Ritz Carlton, Jamaica, accident due to unknowingly diving deep. *
- 2003: Spohrer Wilner Maxwell & Matthews, PA, Granger v. PADI
- 2005: Witness for Fletty *versus* Alumacraft, boating accident. *
- 2005: Witness for Cash *versus* Carson, homicidal drowning *
- 2005: Witness for Old Saybrook PD, drowning fatality, Williams, Walsh & O'Connor, LLC 2006: Witness for Easterling, Sonoma County vs Corbin Easterling: homicide.
- 2006 Witness for Manchesi *versus* Hebron, Connecticut, fatal lake drowning
- 2007: Witness for Ostrowiecki *versus* Agressor Fleet, LTD and others. Missing diver:
- 2007: Witness for Rubin *versus* Agressor Fleet, LTD and others. Missing diver. *
- 2007: Witness for Skinner *versus* Agressor Fleet, LTD and others. Diver heart attack
- 2008: Witness for City of West Haven *versus* Padula, accidental drowning during a flood
- 2011: Fertig & Gramling Law Partnership, Murphy case (50-2009-CA-025148 XXXX MB AF) Diver run over by a boat – injury case
- 2013: Frantz Law Group, Jackson Fatality, San Diego, wreck dive training
- 2015: Witness for Anderson & Aiazzi v. Adventure Scuba and Monterey Bay Express, Echeverria Law Office, Reno Nevada, Double Scuba Fatality

Homicidal Drowning Investigation

Assists law enforcement and private citizens with homicidal drowning investigations

Many water and ice accident victims around the world are alive today because of Walt Hendrick's innovations, training programs, publications, audiovisuals, equipment designs, public speaking, and actual rescue efforts.