



PETER KARL

Peter Karl, founding partner of Karl Productions, Inc., began his independent video production company in 1991. The company specializes in government and corporate communications, including law enforcement, community policing videos and documentaries. Peter also serves as host and chief correspondent for *Crimewatch*, a television news magazine which examines Chicago's successful community policing efforts.

From 1982 to 1991, Karl worked as an investigative reporter at WMAQ-TV. During his decade at NBC 5, his investigations garnered much attention and numerous awards. In the Karl years, Unit 5 reported investigations on Operation Greylord (judicial corruption), Radon in homes in the Chicago area, Beating Justice (police brutality), Forgotten Poisons (buried hazards), Campus Crime (underreporting of crimes at U.S. colleges), No Police Available, Throw Away Children (foster child abuse and neglect), Bolt Busters (defective bolts used in the aeronautics industry), Slumlords, Street Files, Melrose Park (corruption), and a jobs-for-sex investigation involving then-Cook County Board President George Dunne.

Before joining Channel 5, Karl started Target 7, the first television investigative unit in Chicago, at WLS-TV. He was with WLS from 1977-1982.

Karl's investigations have earned countless awards, including: George Foster Peabody Award, Robert F. Kennedy Journalism Award, 2 Columbia-du Pont Awards, 11 Regional Emmy Awards, 4 Ohio State Awards, 2 American Bar Association Silver Gavel Awards, National Headliner Award, Peter Lisagor Award, and a United Press International Best Reporter Award.

Karl is a graduate of Wayne State University and earned a Masters Degree in Political Science from the University of Illinois. Peter is the proud father of two lovely daughters, Amy and Melanie. He is the youngest brother of Barbara, Mary Ann and Michele. Peter is an avid sailor, the captain of Dr. Detroit, a recent Chicago-to-Mackinac Race winner. Peter also rides a large Harley - very carefully.