

# RIMKUS CONSULTING GROUP, INC.

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**D**eductive reasoning and devotion to detail helped Sherlock Holmes unravel some of the greatest mysteries of his day. This fictional detective would have felt at home at Rimkus Consulting Group, Inc. An international consulting and engineering firm, Rimkus gathers and analyzes scientific evidence to solve problems perplexing insurance companies, law firms, corporations and other clients worldwide.

"We're called in when something bad happens – a fire, explosion or industrial incident, product or equipment failure, vehicle accident, natural disaster or hazardous emission," explains Frank Culbertson, chairman. Using sophisticated computer tools, Rimkus' technical teams re-create the event to determine what happened, why and who's responsible. They also can assess damages and establish remediation costs.

"Often, our clients are dealing with big-dollar insurance claims or lawsuits," Culbertson says, "or they want to

know what happened so they can prevent a recurrence."

From offices in 31 cities, Rimkus tackles the most complex technical problems. Its 300-person staff includes representatives of all engineering disciplines as well as architects, environmental scientists, metallurgists, toxicologists, chemists, and industrial hygienists.

"We're a one-stop shop," Culbertson says. "That's important, because solving complex problems may require multiple disciplines."

Rimkus' experts can provide credible testimony, in layman's terms, in depositions, at court and in hearings. In addition, the company's graphics division can produce photos, illustrations, models, videos and computer-generated 3-D animation to supplement oral and written reports.

Even Sherlock Holmes would be impressed. ■