



Southern Illinois Criminal Justice Training Program

Mobile Team Unit 15

Training Announcement

Name of Training			Class ID#	Course ID#
Law and Order: A 40- Hour LHI Certification			200220	73864
Date(s) of Training	Time	Hours	Location	
April 27-May 1, 2026	8:30-4:30	40	Mt. Vernon PD 600 S. 27 th St. Mt. Vernon, IL 62864	

Course Description

PG & TI will present this comprehensive 5-day, 40-hour, state-certified training on investigating and prosecuting death cases from the start of the investigation through evidence collection, autopsy, suspect interviews, press conferences, trial testimony, and ultimate conviction.

The class will feature experts experienced in investigating homicides from the *Side of the Badge to the Side of the Scalpel to the Side of the Gavel*. It will feature interactive lecture and discussions of actual case histories, videos, statutes, and laws specific to Illinois.

Course Objectives

Topics include:

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Managing & Evaluating the Crime Scene ✓ Death Notifications ✓ Investigative Tactics ✓ Death Certification ✓ Handling the News Media | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Multiple Methods of Interview & Interrogation ✓ Cause and Manner of Death – Autopsy ✓ Development of COLD CASE Leads ✓ TASK FORCE Operations ✓ False Confessions ✓ 4th Amendment – Evidence, GSR, Speaking |
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Instructors



Lou Tessmann retired as Deputy Chief for Waukegan Police. A former Commander of the elite Lake County Major Crime Task Force, Lou has conducted thousands of interviews and interrogations and obtained over 80 homicide confessions. Lou has delivered law enforcement training course (mostly on homicide investigation) throughout the country as well as internationally. He has appeared on The Discovery Channel, America's Most Wanted, and Dateline NBC.

Mandates Met by this Training

This course is ILETSB approved and meets the following mandates: Civil Rights, Constitutional Use of Law Enforcement Authority, Human Rights, Procedural Justice, Legal Update, Cultural Competency, Officer Wellness and Mental Health, and Lead Homicide Investigator

This class is partially funded and certified by the Illinois Law Enforcement Training and Standards Board