Training Seminar
Criminal Investigation Of Deadly Force and Officer Involved Shootings

Instructor:
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David Rivers retired as a Detective Sergeant in the Homicide Bureau of the Metropolitan Dade County Police Department after over 27 years. As a lead investigator and supervisor he assisted in the investigation of several hundred homicides, suicides, accidental and other death investigations. In 1988 David was assigned as Supervisor of the "Cold Case Squad" which was responsible for the continuing investigation of information received on over 1,800 open homicides dating back to 1951. He has consulted on cases in the United States, Canada, Holland and the United Kingdom. He has a Bachelor of Science degree from Nova Southeastern University and a Masters of Science degree from Florida International University, both in Criminal Justice. David is a charter member and past board of director's member of the International Homicide Investigator's Association. He is a current member of the Florida Homicide Investigator's Association as well as numerous other state associations. He is a member of the Association of Crime Scene Reconstructionists, American Society of Law Enforcement Trainers, Vidocq Society, International Police Association (I.P.A.), Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences, American College of Forensic Examiners (A.C.F.E.), Diplomat, Board Certified Forensic Examiner (B.C.F.E.), certified as an expert by the A.C.F.E. in homicide procedures. On September 22, 1987 he achieved "Fellow" status with A.C.F.E.

August 5, 6 & 7, 2009
New Braunfels, Texas
August 17, 18 & 19, 2009
Baytown, Texas

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Training Goals and Objectives:

There is arguably no single event that can traumatize a police agency more than a police officer involved shooting incident. The criticism and intense scrutiny generated by the media, community activists, the general public, and the criminal justice system itself, can be enormous. Civil judgments resulting from such cases can debilitating a police organization for years, have an adverse effect on employee morale, and hamper agency effectiveness through the erosion of public opinion. It is, therefore, imperative that every police department prepare in earnest for this inevitable eventuality. It is also essential that the investigator charged with the task of leading a police officer involved investigation become as equally prepared.

The purpose of this course is to provide attendees with a basic investigative model that is applicable to all officer involved shootings incidents, regardless of the size of their department. Police officer involved shootings are vastly different from any other type of investigation. The stakes for the shooting officer and his department are so high that it is imperative that the investigation be conducted in a prescribed manner. This course will provide those in attendance with the knowledge, skill and confidence necessary to handle any deadly force incident.

Training Audience, Format and Content:

This course is intended for those investigators who are specifically assigned to the criminal investigation of officer involved shootings and in-custody deaths. It is also appropriate for those detectives or uniform personnel who may be required to assist in these types of investigations. Crime scene technicians, medical examiner/coroner, investigators, supervisors, military investigators, criminal analysts, and prosecuting attorney’s would also benefit from the training.

This course is designed in 2½ day sessions. Instruction is provided through the use of a PowerPoint presentation that makes liberal use of authentic crime scene photographs. This insures that the topics discussed are portrayed as realistically as possible. Numerous handouts and video tapes are used as instructional aids. There are no pre-requisites to this course. Students should be forewarned that the content of this course contains numerous death scene photographs that are highly graphic and intense. Due to the sensitive nature of this material, attendance is restricted to sworn law enforcement personnel, or those directly involved in the criminal justice system.

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Seminar Agenda

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Day One

8:00 a.m.—8:30 a.m. Registration

8:30 a.m.—9:30 a.m. Introduction

12 High Risk Critical Tasks

9:30 a.m.—10:30 a.m. Statistics, History and Facts Regarding Deadly Force

10:30 a.m.—11:30 a.m. Off Duty v. On Duty Confrontations

11:30 a.m.—12:30 p.m. Lunch (On Your Own)

12:30 p.m.—1:30 p.m. Fatigue and the Police

1:30 p.m.—2:30 p.m. Police Culture (What Makes Us Different)

2:30 p.m.—3:30 p.m. Police Shooting Teams

3:30 p.m.—5:00 p.m. Search Warrants & Warrant Service

Day Two

8:00 a.m.—9:00 a.m. Suicide By Cop

9:00 a.m.—10:00 a.m. Shootings By Federal Agents

10:00 a.m.—11:30 a.m. Interviewing Shooting and Witness Officers

Perceptual Distortion (Tunnel Vision and Tunnel Hearing)

Proper Documentation

11:30 a.m.—12:30 p.m. Lunch (On Your Own)

12:30 p.m.—5:00 p.m. Police Shooting Investigations

Stabilization

Investigation

Preparing For Court and/or Inquest

The Officer as a Victim

Family Notification

Other “In Custody Deaths”

Day Three

8:00 a.m.—12:00 p.m. Analysis of the April 11, 1986 FBI Shooting

in Miami

12:00 p.m. Certificate Presentation

3 Ways to Register for a Seminar!

1. On-line Registration at www.patc.com — Yellow/Blue link in corner

2. Fax Form to Public Agency Training Council FAX: 1-317-821-5096

3. Mail Form to

Public Agency Training Council
5101 Decatur Blvd. Ste. L
Indianapolis, Indiana 46241

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Public Agency Training Council

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Seminar Title: Officer Involved Shootings

Instructor: David Rivers

Seminar Location:
Comal County Sheriff’s Office
2000 W. San Antonio St
New Braunfels, TX 78130

Baytown Police Academy
203 East Wye Drive
Baytown, TX 77521

When:
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Registration Time:
8:00 A.M. (Day One Both Locations)

Hotel Reservations:
Holiday Inn
101 Ih-35 East
New Braunfels, TX 78130

Hampton Inn
2711 Garland Road
Baytown, TX 77521

Rates:
$70.00 Single or Double
$100.00 Single or Double

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MARK ONE:
1. New Braunfels, Texas
2. Baytown, Texas

Seminar ID #7997
Seminar ID #8126

Registration Fee:
$295.00 Includes Hand-outs, Deadly Force and Officer Involved Shooting Investigations Manual, Coffee Breaks, and Certificate of Completion.

Names of Attendees

1. ____________________________

2. ____________________________

3. ____________________________

4. ____________________________

Agency ____________________________

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(Must Be Completed)

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