



Law Enforcement Training Advisory Commission

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24 Hour Court Security Seminar

February 26-28, 2020

8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

LETAC Training Center

840 Spring Street, Suite B, Springfield, IL

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Instructor: Advanced Law Enforcement Readiness Training (ALERT) Instructors

Mike Thompson graduated from San Diego State University with a bachelor's degree in Criminal Justice. Mike began his law enforcement career as a Deputy with the U. S. Marshals Service and retired with over 26 years served. Mike was an instructor with the U.S. Marshals Service Training Academy at the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center for 8 years. Then in 1999 Mike helped form the company, ALERT.

Course Description: Students will learn the basic principles of courthouse security. Introduction to state-of-the-art electronic equipment including physical protection systems, closed circuit TV, duress alarms, lighting systems, reinforced Judge's benches, and window security systems. Students learn to apply principals of layering protection in order to mitigate risk and vulnerability. Students discuss the location, design, equipment, and personnel required at screening checkpoints and become familiar with various disguised weapons intercepted at screening checkpoints. In addition, students learn to identify potential bombs and other dangerous substances contained in letters and small packages. This course also addresses current constitutional legal issues surrounding searches of persons and packages entering the courthouse.

Topics Include:

- Courthouse Security
- Physical Security Site Survey and Practical Exercise
- Jury Security
- Judicial Threat Management and Practical Exercise
- Critical Incidents – First Responder
- Today's Threats to the Judiciary
- High Threat Trials/ Exercise and Student Presentation
- Officer Survival
- Courtroom Practical Exercises

Non-Member Tuition: There is no non-member tuition for this class, as it is covered under a grant.

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To Register: Email registration to register@letac.org. You may also fill out and submit our online registration form through the website at www.letac.org or call 217-726-7014 to register by phone (be sure to include all pertinent information). MTU #10 local member department officers will be given registration preference until seven days prior to the date of class. After that date, registrations will be taken on a first-come, first-served basis, regardless of MTU status. We cannot accept registrations from individual officers. All registrations must go through your Chief, Sheriff, or department training office, even if you are attending class on your own time.

Cancellation: If a class must be canceled for any reason, every effort will be made to do so at least 2 weeks before the class is scheduled to begin. However, there are circumstances where last minute cancellation is out of our control. All officers who have been registered for training will be contacted at the email address given at registration, so please be sure to provide an email address which is checked often.