



# West Virginia State Police Professional Development Center



## 2016 Fall/Winter Course Catalog



*"Education breeds confidence.  
Confidence breeds hope. Hope breeds peace."*

*~ Confucius ~*



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## Introduction

***“We don’t rise to the level of our expectations,  
we fall to the level of our training.”***

***~ Archilochos ~***

We are committed to provide local, state and federal law enforcement agencies low cost education and training that will produce highly skilled and professional police officers.

Classes are taught by subject matter experts with extensive education, training, experience and proven success in their areas of expertise. These subject matter experts teach courses that are relevant and current to your needs. The world of law enforcement is an ever changing environment that demands training be tailored to what is taking place in your community, your county, your state, and our Nation today. We can assure you this is happening at the Professional Development Center and continues to be an ongoing priority for our Staff.

It is an honor and a privilege to have this opportunity to provide every Police Officer who attends the Academy the best training in the country.

### About our Facility

The Professional Development Center offers approximately 12,000 square feet of office and classroom space. The PDC has four classrooms, the largest of which can accommodate 75 students and includes a 42 station computer lab. Each of the four classrooms are equipped with computers, LCD projectors, DVD players, a public address system, a white board, an ELMO and a smart board. Free WI-FI and public computer access is available to all students.

### Mission Statement

The mission of the West Virginia State Police Professional Development Center has been and remains to be focusing our efforts on providing the police officers of West Virginia with the most current methods of training in the area of law enforcement to promote efficiency and effectiveness to better serve the citizens of West Virginia. Our mission is also to upgrade the professional skills of West Virginia law enforcement personnel at all levels of government. This has been a continuing goal of the West Virginia State Police Academy since 1949. More than sixty years later, there are many new methods of instruction as well as improved technological advances in the field of police training. However, our mission remains the same, to upgrade the professional skills of West Virginia law enforcement personnel at all levels of government.

## **Procedures**

### **Registration Procedures**

Attendance and enrollment in the classes within this catalog are restricted to certified police officers, chiefs of police and sheriffs. The Director of Professional Development may grant exemptions to this rule on a case by case basis.

Registration must be received no later than two weeks prior to the course start date. Agencies and/or individuals with outstanding debts to the Academy will not be permitted to register for courses.

Complete registration information can be found following the course descriptions on page 11. The course registration form can be found on page 29.

### **Cancellation Policy**

Individuals who cancel their registration for a course must do so at least two weeks in advance of the start of the course. Failure to give adequate notice of cancellation will result in forfeiture of tuition and prevents others on a waiting list from attending the course. Your cooperation in reducing the number of “no shows” is appreciated. The intent and purpose of this policy is to encourage enrollees to attend courses for which they have registered.

Some courses are subject to cancellation by the Professional Development Center due to inadequate enrollment.

### **In-Service Credit**

In-service accreditation will be awarded for all applicable courses through the Law Enforcement Professional Standards Committee (LEPSC) of the Governor's Committee on Crime, Delinquency and Correction.

### Classroom Presentation and Management

As a general rule, classes will begin between 8:00 and 8:30 a.m. and may conclude as late as 5:00 p.m. daily, unless otherwise noted. Certain courses may require additional evening training hours. Instructional breaks and lunch periods will be set by the course instructor or supervisor. Smoking is not allowed within the buildings located on the academy complex. All students are expected to display a professional demeanor at all times and are required to adhere to the rules and regulations governing the West Virginia State Police Academy.

### Dress Code

The West Virginia State Police Academy and Professional Development Center strive to provide and maintain the highest standards of training. With this in mind, students are requested to **dress appropriately in casual business attire**. **No shorts, tank-tops, sweats or athletic attire or other clothing considered unprofessional will be worn on academy grounds, outside of the privacy of the dormitories. Jeans are permissible, however, they will be clean and not faded, frayed, have holes or patches. T-shirts with obnoxious logos will not be permitted.** Those courses that may require specific clothing such as fatigues or physical training apparel are exceptions to the dress code.

### Directions

The Professional Development Center is located west of Charleston, WV along Interstate 64. Take exit number 50, Institute, to WV route 25. Proceed east on Route 25 for approximately 3/4 of a mile and then turn left onto Academy Drive. The Professional Development Center is located approximately 3/10 mile past the main complex on Academy Drive. Parking is available at the Professional Development Center.



## Lodging Information

Requests for lodging at the Academy facilities shall be made on the course registration form. Academy lodging is not guaranteed if the request is not made in advance at the time of registration. Lodging will be invoiced to the student's agency at a rate of \$25.00 per day and includes all meals. Invoices will be sent upon completion of the course.

Meals are available to all students attending training. Each student's meals will be determined on the first day of each course. Meals will be invoiced to the student's agency based upon this number. Invoices will be sent upon completion of the course.

Agencies with past due invoice balances will be prohibited from registering for future courses.

***Lodging is limited due to the high volume of residential entry-level training programs.***

Other lodging is available locally for law enforcement officers attending training at the West Virginia State Police Professional Development Center.

This information is provided for the convenience of our students. The West Virginia State Police Professional Development Center does not endorse, sponsor and are not affiliated with the following:

Ramada Plaza Hotel - South Charleston (304) 744-4641

Wingate Inn - South Charleston (304) 744-4444

Sleep Inn- Cross Lanes (304) 776-7711

Comfort Inn - Cross Lanes (304) 776-8070

Holiday Inn Express & Suites - Cross Lanes (304) 769-5818

### Registration

All courses are filled on a “***first come, first serve***” basis. Registration (using the form on page 29) for each class must be received in writing by fax, mail or email. To register for any of the classes listed in this catalog, unless otherwise noted, contact:

**First Sergeant Rob Petry**  
**West Virginia State Police Academy**  
**123 Academy Drive**  
**Dunbar, WV 25064**  
**Phone: (304) 766-5857**  
**Fax: (304) 766-5864**  
**Email: [ladonna.r.escue@wvsp.gov](mailto:ladonna.r.escue@wvsp.gov)**

A faxed letter or email of confirmation will be sent upon receipt of each request. This confirmation letter will advise the individual that they are registered for the course or that the course is full and their name has been placed on a waiting list.

West Virginia State Police members must submit a request through channels to attend the courses listed.

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## Course Descriptions

### **Battle Scarred** (8 Hours Supervisory)

This course will expose toxicities of the Law Enforcement career and lead the officer as well as the supervisor to a deeper understanding of not just how to survive the battle but how to live with vitality as a result of it. The necessity of law enforcement of being armed and vigilant to protect the innocent and defenseless, not to mention their fellow officers and themselves, against the assaults of human predators will cause wounds, often unseen, in all those sworn to uphold the law. The performance of the police officer is directly affected by their perception of reality. This exposure to the battle will change an officer's perception, thus performance at work and home. This course will address these issues.

**Date(s):** August 25, 2016 or  
October 13, 2016

**Cost:** \$50.00

**Instructor:** Cpl. James Mitchell

Meals and Lodging will be billed accordingly.

### **Case Law for Law Enforcement** (16 Hours Supervisory)

This course focuses on case law related to traffic stops, sobriety checkpoints, response to resistance or aggression, failure to identify and other law enforcement related matters that are trending across the country related to law enforcement interactions with the public. Terry v. Ohio, Tennessee v. Garner, Graham v. Connor and many other rulings related to the reasonableness of seizures under the Fourth Amendment of the United States Constitution will be discussed.

This course is an interactive, fast paced block of instruction that will instill confidence in police officers to professionally handle encounters with confrontational, non-complaint individuals without violating their Fourth Amendment rights. Video footage from social media sites depicting interactions between law enforcement and the public are reviewed and critiqued using applicable case law.

**Date(s):**

**Cost:** \$95.00

**Instructor:** Cpt. Joe White

Meals and Lodging will be billed accordingly.

### **Crime Scene Digital Photography** (8 Hours)

The course is designed to provide the crime scene photographer with more detailed instruction and techniques for operating a digital SLR camera for use in specific situations unique to crime scenes and law enforcement. This course will include a focus on how different manual settings of the Digital SLR affect the light gathering of the camera, depth of field, perspective, field of view, etc. This course will also provide hands on training and demonstrations in the effective use of the techniques that are being trained.

**Special Concerns:** Each student will need to provide a Digital SLR camera and tripod.

**Date(s):** **Cost:** \$50.00

**Instructor:** Cpl. Jason Garnes                      Meals and Lodging will be billed accordingly.

### **Defensive Tactics Instructor** (40 Hours)

This course provides training in various methods of empty hand, self defense and survival techniques for the modern law enforcement officer. This program is also intended to increase the officer's knowledge and understanding in regards to the legal ramifications of a law enforcement officer's response to resistance/aggression. This block of instruction is designed to help the officer instruct other officers throughout the state. This course will provide a 3-year certification.

**Special Concerns:** Mandatory passing of PT test, BDU's, gunbelt, wrestling/running shoes, personal protective equipment.

**Date(s):** **Cost:** \$195.00

**Instructor(s):** 1/Sgt. Rob Petry,                      Meals and Lodging will be billed accordingly.  
TFC Jamie Barker

**Death and Homicide Investigation** (16 Hours)

This course is designed for both uniform and investigative law enforcement personnel who have responsibility for the investigation of deaths. It involves the process of analyzing all aspects of a death case so as to arrive at the true course and manner of death. The importance of scene analysis, physical and psychological evidence, autopsy, etc. is emphasized.

**Date(s):** November 1-2, 2016**Cost:** \$75.00**Instructor:** 1/Sgt. Terry Mills

Meals and Lodging will be billed accordingly.

**Domestic Violence** (8 Hours)

This course is designed to better prepare officers for understanding the dynamics of domestic violence, the behaviors of domestic violence victims, and how to conduct domestic related investigations.

**Date(s):****Cost:** No cost for tuition**Instructor:** 1/Lt.. Shallon Oglesby

Meals and Lodging will be billed accordingly.

**Emergency Vehicle Operations Course (EVOC)** (24 Hours)

This course is designed to teach law enforcement officers the correct technique and procedures for the safe operation of a patrol vehicle under both normal and stressful driving conditions. The class will be lecture and practical driving.

**Date(s):** September 13-14, 2016**Cost:** \$125.00**Instructor:** Sgt. Jeff Losh

Meals and Lodging will be billed accordingly.

### **Financial Crimes Against Seniors** (24 Hours)

The FCAS training adds to students' investigative skills and interviewing techniques to prepare them to more successfully pursue cases of financial exploitation of seniors. NW3C curriculum developers worked with experts in elder abuse and financial exploitation from many areas of the country to construct this three-day class.

FCAS Topics:

- What is Elder Abuse?
- Who are the victims and why are they targeted?
- What are the crimes and who commits them?
- Resources and community awareness.

**Date(s):**

**Instructor:** National White Collar Crime Center (NW3C)

**Cost:** No cost for tuition (***To register: [www.nw3c.org](http://www.nw3c.org)***)

Meals and Lodging will be billed accordingly.

### **Financial Investigation Practical Skills** (36 Hours)

This 4 1/2 day training will benefit investigators, auditors, prosecutors, paralegals, financial analysts and regulatory personnel who are learning the fundamentals of conducting successful financial crime investigations. During the course, participants will apply the concepts learned throughout the week to a complex financial investigation from discovery to prosecution.

**Date(s):**

**Instructor:** National White Collar Crime Center (NW3C)

**Cost:** No cost for tuition (***To register: [www.nw3c.org](http://www.nw3c.org)***)

Meals and Lodging will be billed accordingly.



**Fire Service Evidence Collection** (16 Hours)

This course focuses on proper techniques of evidence collection and preservation with special emphasis on fire scenes. Proper documentation including photography, chain-of-custody, and scene diagramming are covered in the course material in addition to the recognition of points of origin and basic fire investigation. Laboratory analysis of evidence and understanding reports issued by the laboratory are included and covered.

**Date(s):** October 17-18, 2016**Cost:** \$95.00**Instructor:** Mrs. Koren Powers

Meals and Lodging will be billed accordingly.

**Grant Managment Workshop** (16 hours)

This block of instruction is designed to teach how to manage existing grants.

**Date(s):****Instructor:** Grant Writing U.S.A.**Cost:** \$595.00 (*To register: [grantwritingusa.com](http://grantwritingusa.com)*)

Meals and Lodging will be billed accordingly.

**Grant Writing Workshop** (16 Hours)

This course is designed to demonstrate the basics of writing a grant and to provide resource materials.

**Date(s):****Instructor:** Grant Writing U.S.A.**Cost:** \$425.00 (*To register: [grantwritingusa.com](http://grantwritingusa.com)*)

Meals and Lodging will be billed accordingly.

## Course Descriptions

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### **Handgun Instructor** (40 hours)

This course is designed for the officer that wishes to conduct firearms training in the state of WV. Students are expected to be proficient with a handgun prior to arrival to the class.

**Special Concerns:** The student will be required to qualify on the first day with a minimum score of 90% on the prescribed course.

A duty type handgun, 3 magazines, duty gear and 1000 rounds of ammunition are required to participate in this course. Please do not bring reloaded ammunition.

**Date(s):** November 14-18, 2016

**Cost:** \$295.00

**Instructor(s):** 1/Sgt. Rob Perry and  
Cpl. Josh Eldridge

Meals and Lodging will be billed accordingly.

### **Instructor Development** (40 Hours)

This course of study is required prior to receiving certification as a law enforcement training instructor. The training is designed to improve and develop teaching skills. The following topics will be covered: adult classroom management, lesson planning and organizing and the use of visual aids.

**Date(s):** October 3-7, 2016

**Cost:** \$125.00

**Instructor:** Capt. David Lee

Meals and Lodging will be billed accordingly.

### **Intelligence Analyst Course** (40 Hours)

This course is designed to provide the analyst based on the minimal criminal intelligence training standards. The course will provide instruction in the areas of information gathering, preparing strategic intelligence reports, and threat assessments.

**Date(s):**

**Cost:** \$125.00

**Instructor:** Sgt. Jim Light

Meals and Lodging will be billed accordingly.

**Leadership Concepts** (16 Hours Supervisory Level)

The course will introduce the student to the concept of leadership for law enforcement and examine the concept as a complex process with multiple dimensions. Emphasizing in-depth definitions, descriptions, theories and application, the student will learn how to incorporate these concepts into the practice of leadership.

**Date(s):** November 2-3, 2016

**Cost:** \$95.00

**Instructor:** Capt. David Lee

Meals and Lodging will be billed accordingly.

**Managing Undercover Operations** (16 Hours)

The primary focus of this course is to provide skills and knowledge that are essential when involved in undercover and surveillance operations. Lectures will include equipping officers with the skills necessary to conduct safe and effective undercover operations. Topics presented will address the scope of the process from planning and executing the plan to testifying. Subject matter will consist of selection and management of informants, briefing/debriefing techniques, surveillance, teamwork and communication.

**Date(s):**

**Cost:** \$95.00

**Instructor:** 1/Sgt. Mike Oglesby

Meals and Lodging will be billed accordingly.

**Modern Arrest and Defensive Control Techniques** (8 Hours)

The course will reinforce the principles of officer safety. Training will include instruction on current arrest and defensive control techniques as well as pat down searches. This is a hands-on class where active participation is required.

**Special Concerns:** Students will need to bring BDUs.

**Date(s):** August 8, 2016

**Cost:** \$75.00

**Instructor(s):** 1/Sgt. Rob Petry and  
TFC Jamie Barker

Meals and Lodging will be billed accordingly.

## Course Descriptions

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### **Modern Close Quarter Knife Defense/Offense Survival** (8 Hours)

This course is designed to better prepare officers for physical encounters involving knife attacks. The course will reinforce the principles of officer safety and include instruction on proper defensive tactics techniques in situations where knives are involved.

**Date(s):** August 18, 2016

**Cost:** \$75.00

**Instructor(s):** 1/Sgt. Rob Petry and  
TFC Jamie Barker

Meals and Lodging will be billed accordingly.

### **Patrol Officer's Tactical Response to Active Shooter** (24 Hours)

This course is designed to help prepare Patrol Officers to quickly and efficiently respond to an active shooter situation. Students will receive instruction on how to tactically respond to and neutralize an active shooter threat. Students will be instructed in classroom, range drills and simulation scenarios to further their understanding and skill set in the chaotic environment of an active shooter incident.

**Special Concerns:** Students will need to bring: Body armor, duty pistol and belt, ammo carry bag or load bearing vest normally accessible on road patrol, department approved patrol rifle or long gun carried on patrol, 200 rounds for patrol rifle/long gun (minimum), boots, fatigue uniform, hearing and eye protection, First Aid kit, and Hydration System.

**Date(s):** October 26-28, 2016

**Cost:** \$125.00

**Instructor:** 1/Sgt. Bob Mefford &  
Cpl. James Long

Meals and Lodging will be billed accordingly.

### **Shotgun/Rifle Instructor** (40 Hours)

This course is designed for the officer who is currently certified as a handgun instructor. This class meets with WV Law Enforcement Professional Standards Committee standard and will add the long gun certification to the instructor's resume. WVLEPS certification as a handgun instructor is a prerequisite for admittance into this class.

**Special Concerns:** The student must be a certified handgun instructor. A duty type shotgun, a carbine/patrol rifle, duty pistol and gear, as well as 250 rounds of low brass bird shot, 50 rounds of slug, 200 rounds of carbine/patrol rifle ammunition and 50 rounds of pistol ammunition are required to participate in this course. Please do not bring reloaded ammunition.

**Date(s):** **Cost:** \$195.00

**Instructor(s):** 1/Sgt. Rob Perry and Cpl. Josh Eldridge      Meals and Lodging will be billed accordingly.

### **Tactical Firearms Simulator Training** (8 Hours)

This course employs the firearms shooting simulator for the course of instruction. The course is designed to prepare the student for various situations that may be faced while on patrol including; active shooter, traffic stop and domestic violence scenarios.

**Special Concerns:** Students will need to bring BDUs and gunbelt.

**Date(s):** November 3, 2016      **Cost:** \$50.00

**Instructor(s):** 1/Sgt. Rob Perry and Cpl. Josh Eldridge      Meals and Lodging will be billed accordingly.

### **Tactical Handgun** (24 Hours)

This course is designed for the patrol officer who wishes to feel more confident of the deployment of the handgun in stressful situations. The student will leave the class feeling more comfortable with the handgun and understand their own capabilities as well as that of the weapon that they carry.

**Special Concerns:** A duty type handgun, 3 magazines, duty gear and 1000 rounds of ammunition are required to participate in this course. Please do not bring reloaded ammunition.

**Date(s):** **Cost:** \$125.00

**Instructor(s):** 1/Sgt. Rob Perry and Cpl. Josh Eldridge      Meals and Lodging will be billed accordingly.

### **Tactical Triage First Responder for Law Enforcement** (16 Hours)

Tactical Triage, First Responder for the Police Officer. This level of training is designed for Law Enforcement Officers who are first on the scene. The training will be coordinated with Health Net and will consist of our Roles and Responsibilities as a LEO in emergency situations. We will be dealing with providing immediate care for life threatening injuries for others and ourselves as well as CPR.

**Date(s):** **Cost:** \$50.00

**Instructor:** Sgt. Jeff Losh                      Meals and Lodging will be billed accordingly.

### **The Lawless Ones: Dealing with Sovereign Citizens and Other Extremist Groups** (16 Hours Supervisory Level)

This course is designed to provide an in depth look at extremist groups such as sovereign citizens and others groups that target law enforcement. This course will explore groups who entice and record law enforcement interaction with the group and the legal issues surrounding these interactions.

**Date(s):** September 12-13, 2016                      **Cost:** \$75.00

**Instructor:** Sgt. Jim Light                      Meals and Lodging will be billed accordingly.

### **Use of Force Reporting and Ethics** (8 Hours Supervisory Level)

This course is designed for the police “executive” or supervisor and recognizes the evolving law enforcement profession. The program identifies and explains a number of strategic and tactical initiatives which will further law enforcement in changing times in this era of accountability.

**Date(s):** **Cost:** \$50.00

**Instructor:** Mr. Stephen Cogar                      Meals and Lodging will be billed accordingly.  
(Captain-Retired)

**Writing Better Reports** (16 Hours)

This course will provide a comprehensive refresher to the officer's report writing skills. Along with proper grammar and sentence structure, the students will learn how to use clear, concise and simple language to tell the story or document the investigation. The course will demonstrate techniques for properly sequencing a report in a logical and organized manner that anyone can follow. The student will learn how to write a report that positively and fully represents the case and limits an officer's problems in court.

**Date(s):** July 7-8, 2016

**Cost:** \$75.00

**Instructor:** Sgt. Timothy Weese

Meals and Lodging will be billed accordingly.





## Training Staff and Instructors

### Professional Development Center Faculty

#### **1/Sgt. Rob Petry**

1/Sgt. Petry is an eighteen year veteran of the West Virginia State Police and is currently assigned to the West Virginia State Police Academy. He is the Physical Training Coordinator. He is a Master Use of Force Instructor, ASP Instructor, Oleoricsin Capsicum Instructor, Officer Survivability Instructor, Gracie Survival Tactics Instructor, Ground Defense and Escapes Instructor, In-Custody Death Instructor, Weapon Retention and Disarm Instructor and Edge Weapon Defense instructor. He is a graduate of the 251<sup>st</sup> Session of the FBI National Academy.

### Adjunct Faculty

#### **Captain David Lee**

Captain Lee is a twenty year veteran of the West Virginia State Police where he currently serves as the Director of Training at the West Virginia State Police Academy. He has held numerous positions during his tenure including: Field Trooper, Investigator with the Bureau of Criminal Investigations, Assistant and Master Range Instructor, Academy Staff Officer, Training Staff Supervisor, Assistant Director of Training and Director of Training. He is a graduate of the 231<sup>st</sup> Session of the FBI National Academy. He honorably served in the United States Army and West Virginia Air National Guard.

### **Captain Joe White**

Captain Joe White is a twenty-one year member of the West Virginia State Police. He is currently assigned as the Director of the Professional Standards Section. His background as a State Trooper focused on criminal investigation and criminal patrol. He has been assigned to the Logan State Police Detachment both as a Field Trooper and as a Sergeant. He also served three years as a First Sergeant with the Bureau of Criminal Investigations and the West Virginia Intelligence Exchange. Captain White also served ten years as a member of the State Police Special Response Team, serving three years as Team Leader.

Captain White was promoted to First Lieutenant in 2008 and was appointed to Captain in November 2011 by Colonel C. R. "Jay" Smithers.

Captain White is a 1992 graduate of Van High School and a 1996 graduate of the West Virginia State Police Academy. He is a graduate from West Virginia State University with a Regents Bachelor of Arts degree and graduated from the 227<sup>th</sup> Session of the FBI National Academy in 2006. He earned a Master of Science in Strategic Leadership from Mountain State University in 2008.

### **1/Lt. Shallon Oglesby**

1/Lt. Shallon Oglesby is an eighteen year veteran of the West Virginia State Police. 1/Lt. Oglesby is currently as the Director of Planning and Research. 1/Lt. Oglesby teaches a wide range of courses to include: Domestic Violence, Hate Crime Investigation, Cultural Diversity, Racial Profiling, Gang Identification and Investigation. 1/Lt.. Oglesby has a Regents Bachelor of Arts degree from West Virginia State University and an Associate degree in Police Science from Marshall University.

### **1/Sgt. Robert Perry**

1/Sgt. Perry is a twenty-one year veteran of the West Virginia State Police and is currently stationed at the Academy. 1/Sgt. Perry has been a firearms instructor for fifteen years and is currently the Deputy Director of Training. 1/Sgt. Perry is a certified armorer for numerous weapon platforms. He is a graduate of the 236<sup>th</sup> session of the FBI National Academy.

**1/Sgt. Terry Mills**

1/Sgt. Terry Mills is a twenty one year veteran of the West Virginia State Police. 1/Sgt. Mills is currently assigned to the West Virginia State Police Academy as the State Police Crime Scene Response Teams and Crash Reconstruction Teams Coordinator/Logistics Officer and as a staff officer. 1/Sgt. Mills teaches a wide range of courses to include: Principles of Investigation, Handling Physical Evidence, Crime Scene Investigation, Crash Investigation, RADAR/Laser, Traffic Incident Management and Active Shooter Training. 1/Sgt. Mills has Associates degrees from both Bluefield State College and Marshall University in Police Science and Law Enforcement. 1/Sgt. Mills served six years as an M.P. in the United States Army Reserve and is a veteran of Operation Desert Shield/Desert Storm.

**1/Sgt. Robert Mefford**

1/Sgt. Robert Mefford is a twenty two year veteran of the West Virginia State Police. 1/Sgt. Mefford is a fifteen year member of Special Operations currently assigned to West Virginia State Police Special Operations as the Director fo Special Operations training. 1/Sgt Mefford has extensive experience as a K9 handler, K9 Trainer, and K9 Administrator. In addition 1/Sgt. Mefford is a handgun, shotgun and patrol rifle instructor as well as a mechanical breaching instructor. 1/Sgt. Mefford is also a chemical agent instructor and explosive breacher. 1/Sgt. Mefford has been a member of the Special Response Team for twelve years and coordinates all training for the teams. 1/Sgt. Mefford has a Bachelor of Arts degree from West Virginia University and an associate's degree in Police Science from Marshall University.

**1/Sgt. Mike Oglesby**

1/Sgt. Oglesby is a twenty year veteran of the West Virginia State Police. 1/Sgt. Oglesby is currently assigned to the Bureau of Criminal Investigations where he has worked numerous undercover cases and testified in federal court as an expert witness.

1/Sgt. Oglesby is dually trained as a Special Response Team sniper/observer and entry team member where he has served as team leader since 2007. 1/Sgt. Oglesby has an Associate degree in Applied Science from Marshall University. He is a graduate of the 240<sup>th</sup> Session of the FBI National Academy.

### **Sgt. Jeff Losh**

Sgt. Losh is a twenty-two year veteran of the West Virginia State Police and is currently assigned to the West Virginia State Police Academy. He is the Officer in charge of logistics, the instructor for First Responder and Emergency Vehicle Operations Course. He has attended the BSR for Emergency Response Driver Training Course and received his EVOC instructor certification through OPOTA. He honorably served in the United States Army for six years where he received his medic certification.

### **Sgt. Tim Weese**

Sgt. Weese is a seventeen year veteran of the West Virginia State Police where he currently serves as a member of the Academy Staff. Sgt. Weese has graduated from both a basic and cadet class. He has dedicated over fifteen years to the law enforcement field. He served two years as a city police officer and has been a member of the West Virginia State Police for fourteen. He has been a member of the staff of the West Virginia State Police Academy for five years. He is currently the Field Training Officer Coordinator for the State Police and attended the 250<sup>th</sup> session of the FBI National Academy. Sgt. Weese earned a bachelor degree in Criminal Justice from Fairmont State College and his Board of Regents Degree in Criminal Science from Marshall University.

### **Sgt. Jim Light**

Sgt. Light has devoted twenty-three years to law enforcement service. Six years were spent with the United States Department of Interior. In over seventeen years with the West Virginia State Police, Sgt. Light has served in several capacities. Currently, he's the Director of the Intelligence Unit and has also been assigned as Crime Scene Team Supervisor, Executive Protection and participated on the Joint Terrorism Task Force. He is also a graduate of the 252<sup>nd</sup> session of the FBI National Academy.

**Cpl. Jim Mitchell**

Cpl. Mitchell has served as a law enforcement officer for twenty-five years and he currently serves as Wellness Officer and Director of Chaplain Services for the West Virginia State Police. Cpl. Mitchell has served in the United States Department of State Diplomatic Security Division and the Beckley City Police Department. He honorably served in the United States Army as a military police officer. Cpl. Mitchell has devoted twenty-nine years to ministry serving as both associate and senior pastor. He is a graduate of Marshall University and is pursuing a master's degree from Liberty University.

**Cpl. Josh Eldridge**

Cpl. Eldridge is a ten year veteran of the West Virginia State Police and is currently assigned to the West Virginia State Police Academy. He currently is the instructor for Officer Survival Training, Patrol Concepts, Simulator Training and the Master Firearms Instructor. Cpl. Eldridge has served as a member of the West Virginia State Police Crime Scene Response Team for six years.

**Cpl. Jason Garnes**

Cpl. Garnes is a sixteen year veteran of the West Virginia State Police where he is currently assigned to the Bureau of Criminal Investigations as a Drug Diversion Investigator. As part of his current position he is assigned to the DEA Tactical Diversion Unit. During his tenure with the West Virginia State Police, Cpl. Garnes has had several assignments including the Martinsburg Detachment, WV Turnpike, South Charleston Detachment and eight years with the Crime Scene Response Team.

**TFC Jamie Barker**

TFC Barker is an eight year veteran of the West Virginia State Police and is currently assigned to the West Virginia State Police Training Academy. Prior to enlistment with the West Virginia State Police Academy, TFC Barker worked for 12 years as a city police officer and deputy sheriff. He is a Use of Force Instructor, ASP Instructor, Oleoresin Capsicum Instructor, Officer Survivability Instructor, Gracie Survival Tactics Instructor, Ground Defense and Escape Instructor, In-Custody death Instructor, Weapon Retention and Disarm Instructor, and Edge Weapon Defense Instructor.

### **Stephen Cogar (Retired WVSP Captain)**

Cpt. Cogar is a retired captain of the West Virginia State Police who served as Commandant of the 'West Virginia State Police Academy and General Counsel for the State Police. Cpt. Cogar served as a Field Trooper for over sixteen years. He founded the West Virginia State Police Professional Standards Section and authored the enabling statute that is the standard for internal affairs procedures in West Virginia. Cpt. Cogar is the author of the West Virginia Law Enforcement Field Guide and was a contributing author for the West Virginia Criminal and Traffic manual. He holds a Bachelor of Arts from Fairmont State University and a Doctorate in Jurisprudence from the WV College of Law. He is currently in private practice in West Virginia, serves as the City Attorney for the city of Ravenswood and is an adjunct instructor at the West Virginia State Police Academy.

### **Mrs. Koren Powers**

Mrs. Powers is currently the Section Supervisor of Trace Evidence Section at the West Virginia State Police Crime Lab. She has been employed with the West Virginia State Police since 2001. During her tenure she has held positions as an intern, an analyst and a training officer. Mrs. Powers holds a Bachelor of Science Degree in Biological Sciences and a Master of Science Degree in Forensic Science both from Marshall University. She is a member of numerous organizations including the International Association of Arson Investigators and serves on the board of the West Virginia Chapter.

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The National White Collar Crime Center provides comprehensive instruction to law enforcement through training and resources to assist in economic and cyber crime investigations, computer forensics and intelligence analysis. In addition to training NW3C provides valuable services, including investigative support, research and Internet Crime Complaint referrals.

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