

AELE Workshop
Legal, Psychological and Biomechanical Aspects
of Officer-Involved
Lethal and Less Lethal Force
October 26-28, 2009
AGENDA

Monday October 26

- 8:00 AM Registration at hotel Conference Center (off the main hotel lobby, up the escalator)
- 9:00 AM Wayne W. Schmidt, *AELE Staff Representative*
- Welcome and Program Introduction
 - AELE Resources, Use of Workshop CD-Rom, Navigating the AELE Website, links and references
- 9:40 AM Judge Emory A. Plitt, Jr., *Course Director*
- ▣ Workbook Section 13, 22
 - Legal aspects of the use of lethal and less lethal force
 - Federal claims, State claims, tactics, devices, use of force investigations, policies and continuums
- 10:00 AM Break
- 10:15 AM Legal aspects of use of force continued
(Emory A. Plitt, Jr)
- 11:15 AM Break
- 11:30 AM Kris Pitcher, Captain, LAPD Force Investigations Division
- Use of Force Investigations
 - Types of investigations
 - What to investigate
 - Officer rights and recommended procedures
 - The review process
 - Psychological factors
 - Investigation strategies and procedures
- 12:15 PM Lunch - Complimentary for all attendants
- 1:30 PM Use of Force Investigations continued
(Kris Pitcher)
- 2:30 PM Break

- 2:40 PM Dr. Audrey Honig, Ph.D.
 ▣ Workbook Section 17, 18, 19, 21
- Psychology of combat and the dynamics of violent encounters
 - Perceptual and memory distortions during critical incidents
 - Impact of psychological issues on investigations of lethal encounters and deadly force decisions
 - Statements after critical incidents
- 3:30 PM Break
- 3:40 PM Audrey Honig continued
- 4:40 PM Conclude for the day

Tuesday October 27

- 9:00 AM Captain Greg Meyer (Ret.), *Los Angeles Police Academy*
 ▣ Workbook Sections 6, 7, 8, 9, 10 and 23
- Electronic Control Device (TASER®) Policy and Procedure
 - Other less than lethal devices and tactics
 - Carrying, drawing, deployment, training, use
 - Deployment decision making, deployment prohibitions
 - Medical aspects, manufacturer guidelines
- 10:00 AM Break
- 10:15 AM Greg Meyer continued
- 11:10 AM Break
- 11:20 AM Dr. John Peters, Jr., Ph.D.
 ▣ Workbook Section 20
- Historical overview and profiles of victims of sudden in-custody deaths
 - Tactics, protocols, techniques impacting phenomena of sudden in-custody deaths
 - Proactive responses to medical, behavioral and legal theories of sudden in-custody deaths
 - Excited Delirium
- 12:15 PM Lunch - Complimentary for All Attendants
- 1:30 PM John Peters, Jr., continued
- 2:30 PM Break

- 2:40 PM Josh Lego, Adjunct Professor
- Dynamics of body movement impacting deadly force decisions
 - After action investigations involving shot placement, body wounds and shots at vehicles
 - Dynamics of unintended discharges
 - Expended cartridge casings and investigative consequences
 - Resolving contradictions in officer and witness statements
 - Cutting edge studies involving the dynamics of human performance in lethal force encounters
- 3:30 PM Break
- 4:45 PM Conclude for the day

Wednesday October 28

- 8:00 AM - 10:30 AM W. Ken Katsaris, *Course Tactics Advisor*
- Applications, procedures and legal issues of force involving the mentally ill, the emotionally disturbed, the substance abuser, and the suicidal (Suicide by Cop)
 - Contemporary issues on the Use of Force Continuum and Emerging Models, and the impact of litigation on current use of force continuum designs
 - Specific officer-involved shooting investigation techniques receiving emphasis during litigation
 - Internal vs. Criminal Investigations
 - Video taped re-enactments
 - Taking officer and witness statements
- Appx. 9:00 AM Break
- 10:30 AM Break
- 10:40 AM Michael Brave, Esquire, *National Litigation Coordinator* for TASER International
- The TASER® - fact or fiction, myth or reality
 - Presentation and question and answer session concerning TASERS®
- 11:40 AM Program Concludes