

# Best Practices in Law Enforcement Investigations: The Role of Leadership in Avoiding Wrongful Convictions

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Designed by law enforcement leaders, investigative specialists and academics, this course will provide attendees with information on the causes of wrongful criminal convictions, and insights on the means by which investigators can help ensure that the right suspect is in custody.

Over the course of this two-day event, participants will have the opportunity to discuss the reasons why persons have been wrongfully convicted, and discuss various potential shortcomings in law enforcement investigations to include mistaken eyewitness identification; false confessions; tunnel vision; management of informants; and forensics issues. In addition, the conference will provide practical strategies for the implementation of a "Best Practices Guide and Toolbox" for law enforcement investigators, and examine a variety of effective investigative protocols and policies.

## Topics

- ◆ Mistaken Eyewitness Identification
- ◆ False Confessions in Criminal Cases
- ◆ The Phenomenon of Tunnel Vision
- ◆ Management of Informants
- ◆ Current Issues in Forensics
- ◆ Panel Presentation: Victim, Exonerree, and Arresting Officer

## Who Should Attend

- ◆ Law Enforcement Executives and Decision-Makers
- ◆ Investigative Team Supervisors and Leaders
- ◆ Law Enforcement Investigators
- ◆ Forensics Specialists

## Date and Hours

May 6-7, 2010

8:30am to 4:30pm each day

## Location

ILEA headquarters

(The Center for American and International Law)

5201 Democracy Drive, Plano, TX 75024

## Hotel

See ILEA website at [www.theILEA.org](http://www.theILEA.org)

## Tuition

**FREE for Texas Law Enforcement Practitioners**

\$99 for all others

## Invited Faculty

- ◆ **Dr. J. Pete Blair**  
Texas State University
- ◆ **Chief Mike Corley**  
Brownwood Police Department, TX
- ◆ **Chief James McLaughlin, Jr. (Ret.)**  
General Counsel/Executive Director, Texas Police Chiefs Association
- ◆ **Executive Assistant Chief Martha Montalvo**  
Houston Police Department, TX
- ◆ **Ms. Chris Mumma, Executive Director**  
North Carolina Center on Actual Innocence
- ◆ **Chief Tom O'Connor**  
Maryland Heights Police Department, MO
- ◆ **Mr. Joseph Polski**  
Chief Operations Officer  
International Association of Identification
- ◆ **Dr. Daniel T. Primozić**  
Institute for Law Enforcement Administration
- ◆ **Detective Jim Trainum**  
Metropolitan Police Department, Washington, DC
- ◆ **Assistant Chief Ron Waldrop**  
Dallas Police Department, TX
- ◆ **Mr. Michael Ware**  
Dallas County District Attorney's Office
- ◆ **Chief Larry Zacharias**  
University of Texas at Dallas Police Department

## TCLEOSE Credit

Law Enforcement personnel attending this course are eligible for fourteen (14) hours of Texas Commission on Law Enforcement Officer Standards and Education (TCLEOSE) credit.

## Registration

To register, complete the registration form online or fax to 972.244.3431.



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