



The Spector Dispatch

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Dear Law Enforcement Officer:

I am so pleased to bring you this issue of **The Spector Dispatch**. This quarterly newsletter is brought to you in an electronic format with links that will allow you to download articles and information, or print them from easy to read PDF formats. **Happy Spring!!!**

Spector Training's Legal Corner features an article written Sgt. Russell M. Iger, "Differentiating Between Police Requests for Emergency Examination and Protective Custody of People Incapacitated by Alcohol, and Best Practices".

This quarter's **nonprofit organization and/or a community program initiative** that is pertinent to law enforcement is The Middletown Police Service Dog Program.

We are pleased to offer Attorney Elliot B. Spector's **Training Officer Liability** class on May 18, 2022 at no cost to you, thanks to sponsorship by **Telepartner!** Seats are limited! [Click Here To Register!](#)

If you know of anyone who has a **Life After Policing** story they'd like to share in our next Newsletter, have them contact us. This is one of the ways we support you by providing a platform to communicate your work life after serving your community. For those officers who are still serving their communities in a different way, it's about connecting with law enforcement to make everyone aware of their new assignment and how they can be helpful to your agency!

You can be a part of this **Newsletter!** Contact me at 860.593.6550 for more information on the process!



Special thanks to **Kevin Dillon** for being part of our most recent In-Service Training Program held in Middletown!
Over 50 officers received training in **L.E.A.D.S.™**.

Spector Training's Legal Corner

"Differentiating Between Police Requests for Emergency Examination and Protective Custody of People Incapacitated by Alcohol, and Best Practices"



Elliot B. Spector

Written by Sgt. Russell M. Iger



A common area of confusion for police officers is the transport of intoxicated persons to the hospital for treatment. Often, a Police Request for Emergency Examination ("PREE") under Connecticut General Statute ("CGS") §17a-503, is incorrectly used for this purpose. In fact, the authority to transport a person who is "incapacitated by alcohol" resides under CGS §17a-683. The PREE is solely meant as a tool to assist those suffering from mental or emotional impairment. There is no State form for officers to complete when a §17a-683 transport is authorized, but some departments have produced their own form to assist in these situations. By taking a closer look at these statutes, we can see the importance of distinguishing between the two for liability and professional standards purposes.



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Save the Date

APRIL 26, 2022 - 10 AM

Join Brian Biales from Telepartner at Rocky Hill Police Department where he will demonstrate their new CertAssist™ software during the Capitol Region Training Officer's Meeting! R.S.V.P. if you plan to join us! j.dobratz@spectortraining.org
Read more on CertAssist™ on the next page of this Newsletter!

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Training Officer & Instructor Liability
May 18, 2022 ([Click Here for More Info](#))

Host: Windsor Police Dept.

Cost: **FREE**- Seats are Limited!

2022 PROGRAMS

Course Name	Instructor(s)	Host	Dates	Price
Alcohol & Drug Facilitated Sexual Assault	Bartolotta	Middletown PD	April 13, 2022	\$115.00
Critical Incident Management	Pedemonti, Nolan & Monge	Southington PD @ CT Police Academy	May 26-May 27, 2022	\$70.00
Death Investigation: Case Studies	Edelberg	Bridgeport Police Academy	April 14, 2022	\$115.00
Method of Instruction	Shea, Bartolotta	New Britain PD	April 18-April 22, 2022	\$525.00
Method of Instruction	Bartolotta	Waterbury PD	April 25-April 29, 2022	\$525.00
In Service Training Course	Various	Manchester PD	May 2, 2022-May 6, 2022	\$375.00*
Method of Instruction	Shea, Bartolotta	North Haven PD	May 2, 2022-May 6, 2022	\$525.00
The Unbreakable Cop	Shomette	Middletown PD @ Middletown Barracks	May 9, 2022-May 10, 2022	\$275.00
Basic Investigative Photography	Narowski	To Be Announced	Coming in Fall 2022	\$465.00
Training Officer Liability	Spector	Windsor PD	May 18, 2022	FREE
Writing Effective L.E. Reports w/Mock Trial	Sticca, Luba, Spector, O'Connor, Bartolotta	New Britain PD	May 23-May 26, 2022	\$465.00
Cold Case Investigations	Weisgerber	Waterbury PD	May 25-May 27, 2022	\$275.00
Crime Scene Procedure/Investigation	Weisgerber	New London PD	June 8-June 10, 2022	\$375.00
Method of Instruction	Bartolotta	Stamford PD	June 6-June 10, 2022	\$525.00
First Line Supervision	Fox, Spector, Bartolotta	Wolcott PD	June 14-June 17, 2022	\$575.00
Basic SRO Course	Various	Wethersfield PD	July 22 & July 25-29, 2022	\$575.00
Advanced SRO Course	Shomette	Wethersfield PD	August 4-5, 2022	\$275.00

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Lt. Art Weisgerber

Lt. Art Weisgerber joined the Norwalk Police Department in September of 1988 and is currently the Commanding Officer of the Crime Scene/Identification Unit since 2011. Early in his career, he was assigned to the Patrol Division and the Special Service Division which investigated narcotic and vice crimes. In 1998 he was promoted to Detective and conducted general investigations. In 2002, he was assigned to the Cold Case Unit and attended the first Cold Case Reconstruction class at the Henry Lee Institute. In 2005, he was promoted to Sergeant and remained in the Detective Bureau as a Detective Sergeant and conducted Cold Case Investigations as time permitted. In 2011, he was assigned as the Commander of the Identification Unit which was revamped and renamed as the Crime Scene / Identification Unit. In 2012, he was promoted to the rank of Lieutenant and remained as the Commander of the Crime Scene / Identification Unit as a hands-on supervisor. In 2009, he became a Certified State of Connecticut Police Instructor and has been teaching in-house recertification courses along with Police Academy instruction in Bridgeport and Milford. In 2016, he joined the State of Connecticut Police Officer Standards and Training Academy as an Adjunct Instructor teaching Law Enforcement Photography 1 & 2. Lt. Weisgerber has extensive training in photography, latent print development and identification and all facets of crime scene investigation. He has received numerous awards and citations for his investigative work, especially from the U.S. Office of the Inspector General and in 2019 was awarded the Norwalk Police Department Officer of the Year for his work for 17 years on the 1986 Homicide of 11-year-old Kathleen Flynn.



Cold Case Investigations

**MAY 25, 2022 - MAY 27, 2022
AT WATERBURY POLICE DEPT.**

This course will instruct investigators on how to evaluate and organize any unsolved cases that have gone "Cold" to include homicides, sexual assaults, missing persons and unidentified human remains. The importance of a well-organized "working" case binder as well as the need to locate and evaluate any physical evidence remaining in the case will also be discussed. The latest forensic testing capabilities for DNA, Touch DNA, Mitochondrial DNA, Latent Prints and Forensic Genealogy will also be covered & more!



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