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Sergeant Russ Iger has served with the Coventry Police Department since December 2012. Currently, he is assigned as the Department's training officer, a patrol supervisor, and the coordinator of the Officer Wellness Committee. His duties include monitoring the Lethality Assessment Program (LAP), and U-Visa certification for non-immigrant crime victims. He has also taken on the role of drafting policies and revising department directives to be compliant with current law.

In addition to being a POSTC certified instructor in areas such as Constitutional Law, Connecticut Criminal Law, Immigration Law, Laws of Arrest, Search and Seizure, and Use of Force, he is a licensed attorney admitted to the State Bars of New York and Connecticut, and the Federal Bars of the Southern and Eastern Districts of New York and District of Connecticut.

He is a 2002 graduate of the St. Johns University School of Law, where he acted as the Executive Notes & Comments Editor of the New York International Law Review, and he holds a bachelor's degree from the University of Connecticut in Philosophy and Asian Studies. Sergeant Iger regularly teaches legal topics for police officers throughout the State.



Search & Seizure Review

An Interactive Scenario Based Seminar

Hosted by: Ansonia Police Dept.
November 18, 2024 - 0830-1630

This seminar will review the exceptions, principles, procedural requirements, constitutional law, statutory law and case law relating to search & seizure, incorporating scenarios in which students will actively participate. This scenario-based class will present facts from recent cases from the U.S. Supreme Court, Second Circuit and Connecticut Courts. The class will collaborate on decision making, applicable to all aspects of Search and Seizure. In essence, every officer will participate to help the entire class reach some sound conclusions. Attorney Iger will identify current court decisions regarding searching vehicles and persons without a warrant from the U.S. Supreme Court, Second Circuit and Connecticut Courts. ***This class is recommended for new police officers who require a refresher following recruit training.***

What Will Be Covered:

- 4th, 5th and 6th Amendment protections under the U.S. Constitution as well as Article 1, Section 7 and Article 1, Section 9, of the Connecticut Constitution that relate to search & seizure.
- "Due Process" under the 14th Amendment to the U.S. Constitution as it relates to search and seizure by state and local officers.
- The 'Exclusionary Rule'.
- Exceptions to the search warrant requirement (non-search concepts) e.g.; Plain View, Abandonment, Third-party Search, and Stop & Frisk (*Terry* Doctrine).
- "Knock and Announce" rule.
- Procedures for searching a premises with a warrant and the limits of detentions and searches of persons on the search premises.
- Recognized exceptions to the warrant requirement regarding search of persons or property such as: Incident to Arrest/Valid Scope of Search, Valid Consent: Voluntary, Open Fields Doctrine/Curtilage, Caretaking and Inventory Searches, Exigent Circumstances, Emergency Doctrine and Hot Pursuit, and Public Safety.
- The *Terry* Doctrine/ Stop and Frisk.
- Consent to Search from authorized persons who jointly occupy and have common authority.
- Protective Sweeps.
- Free Speech or Hate Crimes.
- Interrogation Issues.



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