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CT Search & Seizure Review

An Interactive Scenario Based Seminar

Hosted by: Wolcott Police Department

Cost: \$115.00 per officer

Date: November 17, 2026

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.

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.

This class is recommended for new police officers who require a refresher following recruit training.



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Meet the Instructor:



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Russell M. Iger, Esq.

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.

Program Praise:

I just want to take a minute to inform you of the great training I received at the Search & Seizure class given by Sgt. Iger. The class was informative, and Sgt. Iger used real world scenarios to better explain the situations. Sgt. Iger is a wealth of knowledge, and he was happy to share it. I believe most of the cops in the class were impressed with the fact that Sgt. Iger is a lawyer and a Sergeant in the Town of Coventry. I think this class should be taken by all patrol officers. Sgt. Iger breaks at good points, and the short videos were funny and informative. Thank you, Sergeant, for a job well done!

The material was presented in a logical and digestible manner which included in-depth scenarios and sound explanations of specific topics.

I have been an officer for three years and search and seizure is used every single day. It is always a subject that is intriguing and I'm happy to do any re-training anytime it comes up. This is a subject you should always be learning in

My favorite part of the training was the interaction of the class and the changes to the questions that made them more challenging.

