

East Central Illinois Mobile Law Enforcement Training Team

MTU #13

Course Announcement



Law and Order: Lead Homicide Investigations

April 13th-17th, 2026

0830-1630 hrs

(On the first day the instructor will ask if you can

Start at 0800 the rest of the class)

Denny Stewart Training Center

3121 Dewitt Ave.

Mattoon, Il. 61938

Please Enroll by going to the MTU 13 website and enrolling through the registration form on the website.

Comprehensive 40-Hour Training Program for Lead Homicide Investigators

Join our intensive 40-hour program designed for lead homicide investigators, covering the full spectrum of investigating and prosecuting death cases. From the initial investigation to evidence collection, suspect interviews, press conferences, trial testimony, and securing convictions, this course provides in-depth training using state-of-the-art techniques. Gain valuable insights from an ex-Commander of a Major Crimes Task Force, a seasoned Prosecutor, and a top Cyber Crimes Investigator.

Key Topics Covered:

- Introduction to Homicide Investigations
- Managing and Evaluating the Crime Scene
- Death Notifications
- Cause and Manner of Death
- Death Certifications
- Investigative Tactics
- Sources of Information
- Internet and Cell Phone Technology
- Developing Cold Case Leads
- Task Force Operations
- Information Control and Distribution
- Managing the News Media
- Trial Preparation and Testimony
- Report Writing
- 4th Amendment Law
- 5th Amendment Law
- False Confessions
- Elements of Written and Formal Interrogations
- Multiple Methods of Interview and Interrogations

Observed Mandates Include:

Civil rights

Cons. Use of LE Authority

Cultural Competency

Human Rights

Reporting Child Neglect

Legal Updates

Procedural Justice

Lead Homicide Investigator

Psychology of Don Violence

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