



## POLICE PRACTICAL LEGAL & LIABILITY UPDATE

This course provides practical understanding for officers of all ranks on core legal issues that have recently been modified or, equally important, should be reinforced for Massachusetts street success.

### Key topics:

- Gun calls: Don't worry about the loss of 140, §129C and other highlights.
- Vehicle stops: Safety (e.g. cross-body bags) and other exit orders. Searches (frisks, consent, MV exception, and inventory).
- Search incident to arrest and limits on strip searches.
- Social media investigation policy.
- Home entries: Consent; emergency aid; exigent circumstances; and warrants.
- Identifications: Single photo showups.
- Interrogations: Custody for *Miranda*. Invocation of right to silence.
- Assorted criminal law: DV and "coercive control." Public urination and other disorderly behavior. DW possession and the Canjura rule.
- Assorted motor vehicle law: OUI and blood testing; citation service.

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### DATE & TIME

Wednesday, March 25th 2026  
8:30am - 3:30pm

### LOCATION

Holy Cross College - Hogan  
Center Suite A  
1 College St, Worcester, MA  
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**SESSION ONE**  
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### PRESENTER

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John also worked for the Attorney General and as an Assistant District Attorney in Middlesex County. He lives with his wife and two children in Arlington.

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