



Policing with Perspective

Meeting the Challenge of "First Amendment Auditors"

A legal and communication framework for police and municipal employees

"This class may be used in partial satisfaction of the MPTC local option for the 2024 training season."

MIIA town employee: "Scheft's got a way of combining the law and best practices. An auditor actually came to our office and created a little circus, but I felt more calm and confident after this class." Wednesday, November 1, 2023 Ashland Town Hall 101 Main Street Ashland, MA 01721 8:00 a.m.- 11:00 a.m. Registration 7:30 am

Register here

KEY TOPICS Context: Your framework for understanding

• Know the game: Video designed to provoke for profit!

Know the law

 Introduce yourself and ask if they need services
Allow a complaint but not disruption
Don't regulate content, only conduct
Trespass is better than disorderly conduct

- Know the Communication that works
 - ✓ Connect on a human level
 - Set boundariesDon't argue about the law
 - Let their video be *your* story
- Public order and speech in municipal meetings: The *Barron* rules



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John Sofis Scheft is the founder of Law Enforcement Dimensions, LLC and a training partner of MIIA since 2008. He is the author of the most widely used manuals on criminal law and procedure, and juvenile issues in Massachusetts.

Aside from legal preparation, John Scheft performs consulting services for police agencies concerning policy and management. 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.