

# Legal and Liability Update

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*Policing with Perspective*

Thursday, August 29, 2024  
 8:00 a.m.- 12:00 p.m.  
 (Session One)  
 Topsfield Fairgrounds, 207 Boston St, Topsfield, MA 01983  
 (Light breakfast provided)  
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## AGENDA

This course provides Massachusetts police commanders, supervisors, and officers with key changes and issues in law and procedure. Among the important topics covered:

1. *Mcfarlane and the duty of prosecutors and police to disclose exculpatory evidence and police misconduct history;*
2. New standard for “collective knowledge” under *Privette* and the need for officers to “get on the radio;”
3. Traffic stop issues – running plates; search incident to arrest; motor vehicle exception; and inventories;
4. OUI alcohol and drugs — new cases on under the influence, operation, and post-arrest procedures;
5. *Guardado and the police burden to prove the defendant does not have an LTC or FID;*
6. OIC and 123, § 18 for mental health issues in the lockup;
7. Return of the “miracle statute!” — 266, § 126A;
8. B&E or attempts to a vehicle – a new way under 266, § 16; and
9. Any late developments!



### About the Presenter

**Attorney John Sofis Scheft., Esq.** 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. 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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