

About This Course ...

Extreme animal cruelty cases are happening at an alarming rate. Animals are often tortured in front of domestic partners or children as a means of control. An Internet search on “bestiality” will return more than 12 million results in seconds. Yet the rate of arrest and prosecution is abysmal. Why is that?

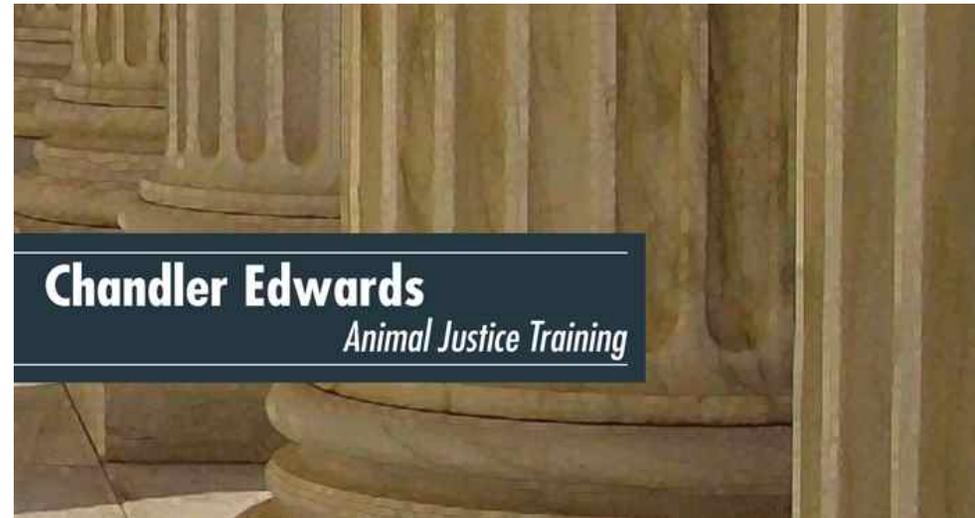
In this 8-hour class you will learn ...

- Who is likely to commit these crimes
- Where abuse most often happens
- Tell-tale signs that will lead you to an abuser
- How to conduct interviews to obtain all relevant information
- What to include in a search warrant
- What laws apply
- Techniques for managing live and dead evidence
- How to deal with media attention
- Where to go for more information after the class

This class was not only thought provoking but invigorating – Special Crimes Unit Det. City of San Francisco CA

You did a great job in training our enforcement officers. We feel much better prepared to deal with these kinds of cases. --Animal Services Supervisor, Hurst TX

Thank you for making our department aware of this problem. --Licensing Supervisor, WA State Dept. of Health



Animal Sex Abuse and Extreme Cruelty

Investigations Training

for

Law Enforcement, Animal Control,
And Prosecutors

Tuesday, June 5th, 2012

Mt. Vernon PD – Mt. Vernon WA

8:00am – 4:30pm

Registration begins at 7:30, class starts at 8:00

Hosted by
Chandler Edwards
Special Animal Assault Team

Complex Animal Cruelty Investigations Training

Extreme animal cruelty can have devastating effects. Consequences for animals can be grave, including injury, pain, mental anguish, even death. Investigation and prosecution of special animal assault cases also result in extreme hardship on investigating agencies, bringing unwanted expense and media attention. As the number of cases grows, so does the need for adequate training for the professionals who encounter extreme animal abuse in their work.

This 8-hour course will prepare investigators and first responders to successfully manage extreme animal crimes from the first report through investigation and adjudication.

Animal Sex Abuse

Animal Sex Abuse is often referred to as “bestiality.” It occurs whenever an animal is used for any sexual purpose, and is illegal in most states whether or not physical injury occurs. A child’s sexual abuse of an animal may be an early warning signal that the child is a victim of abuse. Animal Sex Abuse is often linked to other crimes including illegal drugs, domestic violence, and trespassing.

Torture and Mutilation

Torture and Mutilation involves the severe infliction of physical or psychological pain on an animal for purposes of punishment, coercion, or entertainment. Criminal behavior often linked to animal torture and mutilation may include photographing or videotaping the event, which is a federal offense.

Ritual Crimes

Claims of satanic ritual, religious cult, or sexually motivated crimes are difficult and time-consuming to investigate, and even harder to prove. Rituals are often associated with gang violence, cults, and certain mental disorders. This course will present an overview of known religious practices protected under the 1st and 14th Amendment and focus on how to investigate, evaluate, and dispose of non-religious animal cruelty cases.

Registration Form

Space is limited, and restricted to law enforcement, animal control, and prosecutors. We recommend that you submit your registration as soon as possible to reserve a place in the class. The material presented draws on experience of the attendees and your input will be welcomed. This course has been approved by the Criminal Justice Training Commission in Washington, and has been submitted for approval to the Veterinary Board of Governors, the Department of Health, and the Washington Bar Association.

Register online at www.chandleredwards.org or mail your form & payment to address below.

Name _____
Title _____
Organization _____
Address _____
City _____ State _____ Zip _____
eMail _____
Phone _____ Mobile _____

Have you or anyone from your agency previously investigated a case of

- Animal Sex Abuse
- Ritual Crimes involving animals
- Animal Torture or Mutilation

Number of years experience in your field _____

Payment information

- Number of Seats @ \$95 per seat (student materials are included)
- Check enclosed
- Payment day of event (you may be unable to join if class size is too large)
- Credit Card

Cardholder Name _____
Visa MasterCard (circle) # _____
Expiration Date _____
CIV _____ Zip where bill is sent _____

Confirmation will be sent via eMail. Substitutions of attendee may be made at any time. Cancellations received within 3 days of the event, or failure to appear, results in forfeiture of the registration fee. Cancellations received 14 days or more prior to the event will receive a full refund.

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