

Courtroom Testimony and Court Case Preparation

Course Length: 1 day (8 hours)

This course will focus on training drug/gang/violent crime officers to articulate facts in a courtroom or deposition setting in a professional and accurate manner as a means to successful prosecution. Topics of the course will encompass documentation; pre-trial meetings, depositions, courtroom demeanor and attire; testifying; defense tactics in the courtroom; witness credibility; experience documentation.

Course Objectives

- Understand the importance of accurate case documentation
- Recognize the special concerns of motions, suppression hearings, and deposition testimony
- Understand the types of examination in court: direct, cross and re-direct examination
- Testify and appear in court, in a professional manner
- Utilize courtroom tactics used by defense attorneys
- Prepare documentation regarding experience and training

Overview of topics

- Documentation and Preparation
- Pre-trial Meetings, Depositions, and Preliminary Hearings
- Courtroom Demeanor and Attire
- Testifying
- Tactics in the Courtroom
- Witness Credibility
- Experience Documentation

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Location: NW HIDTA Office in Seattle.

Registration is available through the WRCTC website at www.wrctc.org

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