

ADVANCED REPORT WRITING

A ONE DAY TRAINING PROGRAM (WINNING THE CASE)
INSTRUCTED BY LAURA RECKART
MARICOPA COUNTY PROSECUTING ATTORNEY IN PHOENIX, ARIZONA

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0830-1630 HOURS

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COURSE DESCRIPTION:

WHEN PREPARING YOUR CASE REPORT FOR CRIMINAL TRIAL, YOU ARE SUBJECT TO A HIGHER STANDARD OF SCRUTINY. LEARN TO CLEARLY ARTICULATE YOUR INVESTIGATIONS AND IMPORTANT EVIDENCE. THE INSTRUCTOR WILL TOUCH ON THE FOLLOWING TOOLS LISTED BELOW TO INCREASE THE CHANCES OF A CONVICTION AND DECREASE YOUR CHANCES OF BEING TRIPPED UP BY THE USE DEFENSE TACTICS.

- VARIOUS DEFENSE ATTORNEYS TACTICS
- UNDERSTANDING BASIC RULES OF EVIDENCE
- UNDERSTANDING YOUR ROLE IN THE INVESTIGATION
- SPECIALIZED REPORT WRITING TIPS FOR:
 - *SEARCH AND SEIZURE ISSUES
 - *CHILD ABUSE INVESTIGATIONS
 - *DOMESTIC VIOLENCE INVESTIGATIONS
 - *SEXUAL ASSAULT INVESTIGATIONS
 - *SUSPECT/WITNESS INTERVIEWS
 - *REPORTING DEMEANOR OF A SUSPECT/WITNESS

ABOUT THE INSTRUCTOR

Laura M. Reckart is a Deputy Maricopa County Attorney in Phoenix, Arizona, currently assigned to the Homicide Bureau. Her legal career began in 1989 when she joined the County Attorney's office as a prosecutor in the general felony Trial Group. For the next ten years, Laura remained at MCAO Office moving to various Bureaus including Juvenile, Gang/ROP, Homicide and Sex Crimes (where she spent most of her ten years). In 1999, she became a Pro-Tem Judge for Municipal Courts and Maricopa County Superior Court. Laura returned to prosecution in 2000 as an Assistant Attorney General prosecuting Drug and gang related crimes (including Sammy "the Bull" Gravano) and where she also served as the Victim Services Director.

In 2006, Laura returned to the County Attorney's Office where, in addition to her current assignment, she has served the community as a Charging Attorney in the Charging Bureau, an Assistant Bureau Chief/Mentor to attorneys in the trial group and the Assistant Bureau Chief in Gang/ROP.

Little did Laura realize that when she returned to the CA's Office she would become involved in one of the largest investigations that the State of Arizona has ever experienced. On August 2, 2006, she was approached by the Phoenix Police Department and the MCAO Executive Office to run an emergency wiretap on the "Serial Shooter" case—a case where unknown shooters had plagued the Valley of the Sun for the previous 1.5 years randomly shootings (and sometimes killing) people and animals. Thirty hours after starting the wiretap interceptions, Dale Hausner and Samuel Dieteman were arrested as the infamous "Serial Shooters". Most recently, Laura was lead counsel in the internationally renowned "honor killing" trial of 50 year-old Iraqi immigrant Faleh Al-Maleki, who was accused of murdering his 20 year old daughter and attempting to murder her friend by running them down with his Jeep. The defendant was ultimately convicted of Second Degree Murder, Aggravated Assault and leaving the Scene of a Serious Injury and was sentenced to 34.5 years in prison (16 years of that sentence is day-for-day).

Throughout her career, Laura has tried dozens of varying felony cases, including capital and wiretap trials, and overseen and prosecuted a number of gang-related wiretaps, emergency wiretaps, murder wiretaps and vice wiretap investigations which have earned her a number of awards from the FBI, DEA, AGACL, APAAC, MCAO, GITEM and the Arizona Attorney General's Office. She has also served on various Committees and presented on numerous topics to prosecutors, lawyers, public interest groups and various law enforcement communities in several different venues.

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