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COURTROOM TESTIMONY SEMINAR

INSTRUCTOR: Mr. Stuart Fenton is currently the Chief Assistant Prosecuting Attorney for the Emmet County Prosecutors Office (Petoskey, Michigan) and is responsible for handling all major felony cases from charge to trial. Prior to that he was the Senior Assistant Prosecuting Attorney for the Kalamazoo County Prosecutors Office in Kalamazoo, Michigan, assigned to a Circuit Courtroom where he tried major felony cases. Previously, he was a member of the Southwest Enforcement Team Drug Unit and personally prosecuted cases from that unit. He spent 6 years as the Investigative Subpoena and Cold Case Homicide Attorney for the office and was the Unit Prosecutor for Kalamazoo County's cold case team. During his tenure with the cold case team, he successfully tried 6 cold murder cases, each averaging 14 years old. He has received numerous awards for his work with the Cold Case Team and has also lectured extensively, both statewide and nationally for various law enforcement agencies, the Prosecuting Attorney's Association of Michigan, and the National College of District Attorneys.

COURSE DESCRIPTION: This course will assist police officers towards becoming confident and convincing witnesses on the witness stand when testifying, how to avoid common defense traps, the pitfalls on cross examination, while emphasizing the importance of follow up, preparation and detail in police reports. Students will take part in a mock trial and actually testify in both direct and cross exam. Cross exam will be challenging and demonstrate the most common defense techniques utilized to "trap" police officers and make them look bad. Experience has shown that this part of the course, utilizing audience participation and feedback, is most appreciated and fun.

TOPICS INCLUDE:

- Better Report writing
- Preparation
- Courtroom demeanor, body language and other intangibles
- Anticipating the cross exam
- Avoiding common defense traps
- Persuasion Techniques
- Common problems and areas for police officer testimony
- Projecting confidence
- Examples from real trials and real police reports

COURSE NAME: Courtroom Testimony Seminar

DATE: March 29, 2019

TIME: 8:30 am - 4:30 pm

COST: \$50.00

LOCATION: Oakland Police Academy
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