

# Curriculum Vitae

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## Executive Summary

- Attorney (California Superior Courts; Federal Central & Eastern Districts of California)
- Los Angeles Police Protective League (LAPPL) Panel Attorney
- Expert Consultant/Witness Police Practices
- OIS Investigations Instructor
- Past LAPPL Delegate (Use of Force Review Division 2009-2011)
- Past LAPPL Legal Committee Member (2009-2011)
- Past LAPD UOF/OIS Review Board Peer Member (Officer, Detective, & Sergeant)
- Adjunct Law Professor
- California POST-Certified Instructor
- Police Interrogation Instructor
- Tactics Directive Focus Group
- TacOps Newsletter/Bulletin Editor
- Homicide Detective
- Narcotics/DEA Loan
- Intelligence/Anti-Terrorist
- Hollywood Vice
- Gang Enforcement
- Specialize/Tactical (Metropolitan Division)
- Transit/LAX Security/Traffic
- Consent Decree/Civil Rights Compliance
- West Point Leadership Instructor
- Lieutenant & Sergeant Examinations Preparation Instructor
- Detective Promotion Examination/Essay Question Author
- Police In-Service Training Instructor: *OIS Investigations, UOF Investigations, Police Interrogation Techniques & Law, Homicide Investigations, Managing Detective Units (Legal Issues), Search Warrant Preparation, Leadership, Burglary Investigations, Gang Awareness, Firearms, Crowd Management/Mobile Field Force Tactics, Chemical Agents, Less-Lethal Weapons, Firearm Instructor Techniques, Sergeant School, and Watch Commander Operations.*

## **Professional Experience**

### **California Licensed Attorney (2004 – Present)**

Practice presently focused on defense of police officers. Prior litigation experience includes state, federal, civil, criminal and appellate/writ matters.

### **Police Practices Expert Consultant/Witness (2007 - Present)**

- Los Angeles Office of the City
- Siskiyou County District Attorney's Office
- Seattle City Attorney's Office
- KFI (640 AM Talk Radio, Los Angeles)

### **Reserve Officer, Los Angeles Police Department (2011 to Present)**

Police instructor (OIS/UOF investigations, interrogation, criminal procedure, detective ops)

- Training Division, Detective Training Unit

### **Lieutenant, Los Angeles Police Department (2000 to 2011)**

Led as many as 75 sworn, non-sworn, uniform and investigative personnel.

Assignments:

- Use of Force Review Division
- Consent Decree Bureau
- LAX Security/TSA Support
- Valley Traffic Division
- Mission Division
- North Hollywood Division
- Fiscal and Technical Support Division
- Transit Bus Division
- Transit Rail Division

### **Sergeant, Los Angeles Police Department (1998 to 2000)**

Supervised as many as 18 uniform and investigative officers

Assignments:

- West Valley CRASH/SEU/GANG
- Hollywood Vice
- Hollywood Division

### **Detective (1997 to 1998)**

Conducted follow-up investigations, managed officers at complex crime scenes, interacted with grieving homicide victims' family members, conducted in-depth investigations, interrogated murder suspects, assembled complex homicide cases, assisted District Attorney with prosecution of homicide cases.

Assignment:

- Homicide Detectives, Van Nuys Area

**Police Officer/Detective Trainee (1985 to 1997)**

Investigative, Intelligence, Specialized, and Patrol

Assignments:

- Anti-Terrorist Division/Intelligence/Tactical Flight Officer-Surveillance
- Training Division/Police Academy Instructor (Firearms Training Unit & Tactics)
- Metropolitan Division (specialized/tactical)
- Narcotics Division-Majors/DEA Loan/Deputized Federal Agent
- Hollywood Vice
- Hollywood Boulevard Task Force
- Hollywood Division
- West Valley Division

**Academic Background**

- Juris Doctor, Summa Cum Laude, September 2003  
Abraham Lincoln University (ALU) School of Law, West Los Angeles, California
- Associate of Arts, Liberal Arts, May 1999  
Moorpark College, Moorpark, California
- Associate of Science, Administration of Justice, May 1999  
Moorpark College, Moorpark, California

**Professional Teaching and Research Experience**

**Los Angeles Police Department, Los Angeles, California**

(In conjunction with California Peace Officer Standards and Training)

- Officer Involved Shooting Investigation School (POST & LAPD/FID)
- Detective Symposium Speaker – Police Interrogation (2008, 2009)
- West Point Leadership Program
- LAPD Excellence in Leadership for the 21st Century
- Los Angeles Fire Department Leadership Program
- Use of Force Investigation Training for Patrol Supervisors
- Watch Commander School
- Supervisor School
- Lieutenant Examination Preparation Seminars
- Sergeant Examination Preparation Seminars
- Training Officer (P-III) Examination Preparation Seminars

- LAPD/POST/ICI Detective Core Course
- Homicide Investigation School
- Basic Detective School
- Gang Awareness School
- Burglary Investigation School
- Handgun Instructor Training School
- Shotgun Instructor Training School
- Shotgun Transition School
- 9MM Transition School
- Anti-Terrorist Divisional Training Cadre
- Metropolitan B-Platoon Divisional Training Cadre
- Van Nuys Divisional Training Cadre
- Hollywood Divisional Training Cadre
- West Valley Divisional Training Cadre

**California State University, Sacramento, California (POST)**  
ICI Core Course Interrogation

**San Diego Regional Training Center, San Diego, California (POST)**  
Managing Detective Units

**South Bay Regional Public Safety Training Consortium, Monterey, California (POST)**  
Officer Involved Shooting Investigations

**Abraham Lincoln University, School of Law, Los Angeles, California**  
Property, Torts

**American Heritage University, School of Law, San Bernardino, California**  
Civil Procedure, Property

**California State University, San Jose, California (POST)**  
Detective Symposium – Police Interrogation (2009)  
ICI Core Course Interrogation Practical Exercise Facilitator

**Association of Certified Fraud Specialists, Sacramento, California**  
National Conference Presenter (2008, 2007, 2001, 2000)  
Texas Regional Fraud Conference Presenter (2009)

**California Association of Licensed Investigators, Burbank, California**  
Conference Keynote Speaker (2000)

### **Researched and Compiled**

- LAPD/POST Interrogation Techniques course material
- LAPD/POST Interrogation Law course material
- West Point Leadership – Managing the Environment class presentation material
- Use of Force Investigations – Law course material
- TacOps Editor (Use of Force Review Division)
- LAPD Tactics Directive Focus Group Member
- LAPD Basic Firearms Manual
- LAPD Pistol Transition Manual
- LAPD Handgun Instructor Manual
- LAPD Shotgun Instructor Manual

### **California Peace Officer Standards and Training, I&I Focus Group Subject Matter Expert**

- Police Interrogation Training Video (2000)

### **Licenses and Certificates**

- California Attorney License
- California Private Investigator License
- California Peace Officer Standards and Training (POST) – Management Certificate
- California POST – Supervisory Certificate
- California POST – Advanced Certificate
- California POST – Management Certificate
- California POST – Academy Instructor Certificate
- West Point Leadership Program Instructor Certificate
- California POST/Institute of Criminal Investigation Certificate (ICI), Homicide Specialty
- California POST Master Instructor Development Program Core Course Certificate
- California POST/ICI Instructor Certificate
- Association of Certified Fraud Specialists - Fraud Specialist Certificate
- LAPD Tactical Flight Officer Certificate
- LAPD Handgun Instructor Certificate
- LAPD Shotgun Instructor Certificate
- LAPD Distinguished Expert-Handgun
- California POST Chemical Agent Instructor Certificate
- Federal Bureau of Investigations - Firearm Instructor Certificate

### **Reported Cases as an Attorney**

- Shin v. Ahn, (2006) 141 Cal. App. 4th 726 (Cal. Sup. Ct.)

### **Professional Affiliations**

- San Fernando Valley Bar Association
- Armenian Bar Association
- Association of Certified Fraud Specialists

### **Awards and Honors**

- Instructor Excellence Award (2011)  
Peace Officer Standards and Training/Institute of Criminal Investigations
- Instructor Excellence Award (2006)  
Peace Officer Standards and Training/Institute of Criminal Investigations
- Valedictorian (Class 2003)  
Abraham Lincoln University, School of Law
- Outstanding Service Award (2004)  
Abraham Lincoln University, School of Law
- POST ICI Instructor Excellence Award (2001-2002)  
Peace Officer Standards and Training/Institute of Criminal Investigations
- Employee of the Quarter (2000)  
Los Angeles Police Department/Woodland Hills Optimist Club
- LAPD Distinguished Expert-Handgun