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# Law & Order Lead Homicide Investigator Seminar©

This training features interactive lectures and discussions of actual case histories, videos, and laws specific to homicide investigations. This comprehensive seminar provides instruction in conducting investigations and prosecuting death cases from the start of the investigation, through evidence collection, witness/suspect interaction, interviewing & interrogation, press conferences, trial testimony, and ultimately conviction. Further, state specific *legal research* will be presented.

This class uses a combination of actual homicide case studies so participants work through a case from the beginning, through case closure. The training provides participants the techniques and structure to lead a professional and lawful investigation.

Each participant will receive an outline book and handouts supporting teaching points for the five day program.

## **Seminar Date:**

July 14-18, 2025

# **Hosted by:**

South Texas College Regional Center for Public Safety Excellence

#### **Seminar Fee:**

\$575.00

## **Registration Link:**

https://public-grants-training-initiatives.ticketleap.com/lawordertx25

#### **Seminar Leaders:**

**Lou Tessmann**, CFI retired from the Waukegan (Illinois) Police Department after 23 years of service in a wide variety of assignments, including patrol, investigations, training, and ultimately Deputy Chief of Police.

Lou is a 26-year veteran of the United States Marine Corps, retiring as a CWO-4. In addition to his service in Vietnam he was activated for Desert Storm and Desert Shield and has received numerous military awards including the Naval Commendation Medal. Lou began his career as a police officer with the City of Waukegan assigned to the patrol division. He was later assigned to the detective bureau for nine years and as a juvenile officer for one year. Lou also served as the Commander of the elite Lake County Major Crime Task Force. The task force works on major criminal investigations relating to homicides, kidnappings, and police-involved shootings. During his career, he has conducted thousands of interviews and interrogations. Most noteworthy, Lou has obtained over 80 homicide confessions during his career with only three instances where he was unable to obtain a confession from the homicide suspect.

Jeffrey J. Pavletic is a subject matter expert and an award-winning trial attorney who has built a reputation of integrity and exceptional skill in the courtroom. As a prosecutor over the past three decades, he has tried countless cases to victory (including approximately 175 jury trials with a concentration in homicide and violent crime). In addition to trying some of the most high profile and complex cases that have occurred in the history of Northern Illinois, Jeff was Chief of the Felony Review Division, and was the First Assistant State's Attorney for Lake County (IL). He also served as Special Prosecutor for the U.S. House of

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Representatives. Presently, Jeff serves as Special Prosecutor for the State of Illinois and continues to be an active homicide prosecutor.