



COURTROOM TESTIMONY



INSTRUCTED BY: Northeast Counterdrug Training Center
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HOSTED BY: Fort Wainwright Police Department

WHEN: Aug 4th-5th, 2025 (08:00-1600) (2-day/16-hour course)

LOCATION: 4391 Neely Rd, Fairbanks AK 99703

COST: Free

REGISTRATION: [Here](#)

COURSE DESCRIPTION

This course is designed to improve your skills in testimony, increase your awareness of the court system processes, and help you understand your role in describing the elements of the crime to a judge and jury, in a reasonable manner. The initial investigation, arrest, or traffic citation is only the beginning stage of a long legal process. The instructors in this class will discuss the details involved in the phases of courtroom testimony such as pre-trial exams, suppression hearings, expert testimony, and trial court testimony. One of the most important tools often overlooked during the training cycle of law enforcement officers and investigators, is how to win in court when the defense attorney attempts to distract the jury with claims of insufficient evidence, lazy police procedure, or inconsistent witness testimony. The instructors in this course will provide you with the foresight, knowledge, and information recall techniques to improve your next courtroom testimony presentation to win over the judge and/or jury. This course is intended for both patrol level and investigator level personnel.

STUDENTS WILL HAVE GAINED KNOWLEDGE IN:

- Mistakes made before entering the courtroom to testify
- Report Writing Challenges that affect your testimony
- Search and Seizure Testimony
- Use of Force Testimony
- Crime Scene Detail Testimony
- Civil Lawsuit Depositions & Suppression Hearings
- What the lead investigator needs to know before they testify
- Your relationship with Prosecutor, Defense Attorney, Judge, & Jury
- Stages of Witness Testimony – Patrol, Lead Investigator.
- Controlling your emotions during testimony & Defense Attorney Tactics

