

Introduction to Digital Data Preservation & Gathering for Officers

DATES:

May 23, 2023

TIME:

8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

COST:

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LOCATION:

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Digital evidence exists in cases related to sextortion, Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC), homicides, narcotics investigations, and almost every criminal investigation. This is not just limited to evidence stored on a specific device, but also cloud space, social media posts related to a given investigation, etcetera. This course will help ensure that all prevalent evidence is gathered and/or preserved at the beginning of an investigation before that evidence is lost. This course will include lecture and tabletop scenario style instruction in order to apply the information provided in realistic scenarios.

This course will include an overview of:

- Preservation letters
- Law enforcement portals to serve legal process and obtain the ordered information.
- Search.org
- Securing and collecting electronic storage devices in order to best preserve data.
- Electronic Storage Detection (ESD) K9 resources
- Communication applications and digital evidence
- GPS data and geotagging

Instructors:

(Ret) Special Agent in Charge Joseph Mech retired from the Wisconsin Department of Justice Division of Criminal Investigation (DCI) in December 2022, after almost 29 years in law enforcement. As a Special Agent in Charge, Joe supervised Special Agents assigned to the ICAC Task Force from 2015 to 2022. Prior to that, Joe served as a Special Agent assigned to the ICAC Task Force for 4 years. Joe has received training in undercover investigations of chat rooms and file sharing networks, and has both conducted and supervised numerous investigations of online child exploitation. In 2011, Joe was the recipient of the Wisconsin Attorney General's Internet Crimes Against Children Law Enforcement Award for his work on an attempted child exploitation investigation.

Special Agent in Charge Tami Taubel began her career in law enforcement 2006. In 2013, Tami accepted the position as a special agent with the Wisconsin Department of Justice – Division of Criminal Investigation (DCI) and was assigned to the ICAC Unit where she has remained ever since. Tami has instructed on topics related to ICAC both on a local and a national level. In addition to her primary assignment, she is the assistant team leader of the Joint Tactical Team Crisis Negotiation Unit and a member of the Child Abduction Response Team. Tami has also had the pleasure of being the handler for (ESD) K9 Kozak since August of 2018.

