Dirigo Safety, LLC



MISSION STATEMENT

Our mission is to reduce risk and increase safety through affordable training, education, and customized consultation to public safety organizations.

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Police/Media 2023

This course is focused for <u>new and existing Police Officers, Supervisors,</u> <u>and Department Public Information Officers</u> to deliver effective public information. The course helps promote legal police transparency and how to improve existing police/media relations. A live interview with a reporter to ask them candid questions and to learn more about the media is featured as well as a chance to participate in a simulated press conference.

This Class Teaches Students:

- ✓ The student will hear of real-life experiences with mass media and lessons learned.
- ✓ The value of an effective department policy on information control and media releases will be reviewed.
- ✓ The importance of transparency and honesty will be stressed.
- ✓ The student will review issues for employee use of social media while on and off duty.
- ✓ The various media outlets and venues will be reviewed.
- ✓ Tips will be given on how to improve police/media relationships.
- Students will have one hour of Q&A interview time with a reporter who covers a local Police Department.
- ✓ The student will learn the 7 effective steps to a successful and informational press conference.
- ✓ Some students can practice delivering a press conference.
- ✓ Students will review and critique in class practical performance.
- Inspiration will be delivered encouraging the student to make departmental suggestions and changes within the next 30 days.
- ✓ Feedback to the instructor will be delivered by the students to improve instructor delivery the next time.

Time: Typically, 0800-1600 (1-day class) **Location:** Held throughout New England **Cost:** \$225

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INSTRUCTOR: Dr. Ferland