

# ILLINOIS CASE LAW THAT ALL COPS NEED TO KNOW



**\$199 PER STUDENT | 1 DAY SEMINAR**  
**9:00 AM - 4:00 PM**

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The days of police officers relying on “what we’ve heard” and leaning on “we’ve always done it that way” are over! Police officers must know what the courts have deemed acceptable procedure in order to perform their duties in a constitutionally compliant manner in today’s modern policing. Having an in-depth knowledge of case law will lay the foundation to empower all police officers to perform their jobs confidently and legally. Throughout this course intended for Illinois police officers, Instructor Mike Brazil will examine, review, and explain significant U.S. Supreme Court and Illinois State Specific Case Law that is relevant to search and seizure. The goal of this course is to demonstrate how this case law can affect how police officers must perform their duties. Brazil will teach students how to avoid evidence exclusion, increase convictions, and reduce civil liability, and he will share his own personal experiences of actively applying case law to his policing.

Furthermore, “Illinois Case Law That All Cops Need to Know” breaks down the complex issues associated with case law and presents them in an easily understandable format for all police officers to use in the field to achieve their investigative goals. Additionally, all the students attending the course will be given all the materials for this course so they will be able to reference cases during their duties.

Instructor Michael Brazil began his law enforcement career in 2005 and is currently serving as a Patrol Supervisor for the City of Crown Point. He is a veteran of the U.S. Army, where he served in the Military Police Corps and was deployed for Operation Enduring Freedom and Operation Iraqi Freedom. Recently, Brazil graduated from the Valparaiso University School of Law in 2019 with a Juris Doctor. Since then, he has been admitted to practice law in both the State of Indiana and the United States District Court for the Northern District of Indiana. He excels at legal research, and he is often sought out by fellow officers to locate case law pertinent to their situation. Mike strongly believes that every officer should have working knowledge of case law because it is the foundation of being a proactive cop.



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