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Mayor,

Sgt. Joe Berlin and Officer Seth Crabtree are assigned to attend a RCTA (Regional Counterdrug Training Academy) Gang class in Gulfport Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday this week. The original plan was for the officers to commute in a LPD vehicle each day of the class. They have secured accommodations for Wednesday night at their own expense but will be in possession of our vehicle during this time. Thanks for your assistance in securing an emergency travel order. I have attached a RCTA calendar that lists the class and a course description. Please let me know if you need further information.

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EXHIBIT A

Gangs & Drugs

Classes

7038

ST CHARLES PARISH SHERIFF'S OFFICE LA LULING, Louisiana
01/15/19 - 01/17/19

7072

Precinct 2 Constable's Office TX Pasadena, Texas
02/20/19 - 02/22/19

7062

CHATTANOOGA TRAINING CENTER TN CHATTANOOGA, Tennessee
03/12/19 - 03/14/19

7095

Metro Police Special Investigations Division TN Nashville, Tennessee
03/26/19 - 03/28/19

7160

Roger D Wilson Detention Facility TN Knoxville, Tennessee
04/30/19 - 05/02/19

7164

Gulfport Police Department MS Gulfport, Mississippi
08/06/19 - 08/08/19

7206

Cleveland Police Department TN Cleveland, Tennessee
09/17/19 - 09/19/19

7002

REGIONAL COUNTERDRUG TRAINING ACADEMY MS NAS MERIDIAN, Mississippi
10/23/18 - 10/25/18

Description

Length: 3 Days (24 Hours) (Classes conducted at the RCTA Main Facility in Meridian, MS will be 2 days if followed by the Outlaw Motorcycle Gangs Course.)

Designed For: This course is designed for patrol officers and investigators who are exposed to motorcycle and street gangs.

Prerequisites: None

Description: This course consists of 2 days of streets gangs and 1 day of motorcycle gangs and their effect on the illegal drug trade. The focus is on the methods employed by street gangs to distribute narcotics. Through an overview of gangs, students will become familiar with this subculture and its relationship to the vast narcotics network as well as methods of gang enforcement. Attendees will learn the methods of illicit drug dispersion and weapon smuggling methods used by street gangs and OMG's and transnational gangs including, but not limited to Mexican, Central American, Caribbean, and Asian origin.

The street gang's portion will include, but not limited to, Folk People, Bloods, Crips, Asians, Jamaicans, Hispanic Gangs, and Hate Groups. Officer safety in working around street gangs is stressed.
Topics to be covered are:

- Street gangs overview
- Street gangs and narcotics
- "Motel sets"
- Legal issues and street contacts
- Prosecuting gang members
- Officer safety and street gang

Taught by Det. Frederick A. (Tony) Avendorph (Retired), Tony Avendorph Associates, LLC

(Course formerly named Basic Gang School)

Courses

Calendar View Interdiction Investigation Intelligence / Technical Operational

Calendar View

Blue- classes held in Meridian at RCTA (meals/lodging provided), **Gray**- classes held in Hattiesburg at Camp Shelby (meals/lodging provided), **Orange**- export classes (meals/lodging NOT provided)

August 2019

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
28	29	30	31	August 1	2	3
	Basic Narcotics Investigations - 7123 - NAS MERIDIAN, Mississippi					
		Spanish for Drug Enforcement - 7148 - OXFORD , Alabama				
Commercial Vehicle Interdiction (MVCI) (Conference)						
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
	Facility Usage - 7153 - NAS MERIDIAN, Mississippi					
	Emergency Narcotics Operations - 7129 - NAS MERIDIAN, Mississippi					
	Patrol Officers Response to Street Drugs - 7168 - OXFORD , Alabama					
				Mexican Cartels & Their Violence -		
		Gangs & Drugs - 7164 - Gulfport, Mississippi				
	Proactive Criminal Patrol - 7107 - Edinburg, Texas					
			Writing Drug Search Warrants - 7158 - Sevierville,			
			Synthetic Opioid /			
		Synthetic				
				Social Median In		
			LNOA Mexican			
			LNOA			
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
	Search Warrant Planning & Execution I - 7130 - NAS MERIDIAN, Mississippi					
	Unarmed Self Defense Train the Trainer Course - 7186 - NAS MERIDIAN, Mississippi					
				K-9 Synthetic		
	Interview & Interrogation - 7177 - CHARLOTTE, North Carolina					
	Patrol Officers Response to Street Drugs - 7166 - Chattanooga, Tennessee					
		Social Media & Drug Investigations -				
			Mexican Drug			
			Mexican Drug			
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
	Search Warrant Planning & Execution II - 7131 - NAS MERIDIAN, Mississippi					
		Spanish for Drug Enforcement - 7179 - NAS MERIDIAN,				
	Interview & Interrogation - 7157 - Raleigh, North Carolina					
	Advanced Narcotics Investigations - 7165 - Doraville, Georgia					
			Synthetic Opioid /			
	Synthetic Opioid /					