

# **SURVIVING ARMED ENCOUNTERS – PHYSICALLY, LEGALLY, AND MENTALLY**

This 8-hour course is presented by Captain James Boteler of the Metropolitan Police Department in Washington, D.C. This class is designed for the street level patrol officer and is intended to educate, inform, and better prepare them for dangerous encounters with armed individuals. This course will teach officers how to successfully and safely interdict and recover illegal weapons, identify characteristics commonly displayed by armed individuals, identify legal issues pertaining to firearm interdiction, help them better articulate their observations to assist in the preparation of their subsequent court testimony and prepare them for the criminal and administrative reviews that follow such critical incidents such as police involved shootings. Last and most important, this course will help each officer to become better informed, more observant and cognizant of their own safety and of those around them.

**Course topics include:**

- Recognizing the current state and dangers for law enforcement
- Identify behavioral characteristics of armed gunmen
- Developing reasonable suspicion and case law review
- Enforcement considerations and confrontational dynamics
- Looking beyond the arrest: investigation, reports, & follow-up
- Post Critical Incident (OIS) awareness and management
- Maintaining a state of LEO readiness
- Uncovering hidden weapons
- Maintaining a Guardian Perspective
- Sustaining a healthy lifestyle
- Life as an off-duty LE professional
- Training like your life depends upon it

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**June 11, 2021**

**8 a.m. - 5 p.m., via ZOOM**

**Hosted by the**

**Center for Public Safety Innovation**

**Tuition: \$99 per officer**

**Register at: <https://web.spcollege.edu/survey/31992>**

***Please register by June 7, 2021***

**A ZOOM access link will be provided to those with a paid registration.**

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Instructor James Boteler, Jr. is currently a Captain with the Metropolitan Police Department in Washington, D.C. and holds a Bachelor of Arts degree in Criminology & Criminal Justice from the University of Maryland's College of Behavior and Social Sciences. Captain Boteler has been a member of law enforcement for approximately 22 years, with over 16 years dedicated to tactical narcotic enforcement and firearm interdiction as a member of his department's various narcotic and pro-active enforcement units. James Boteler has served in the capacity of an Officer, Detective, SWAT Operator, Sergeant, Lieutenant and now Captain. He has participated in countless criminal arrests involving narcotic and gun traffickers and has personally recovered hundreds of illegal firearms off the streets of Washington, DC. As a supervisor of the Street Crime Unit and as a prior Detective of the Gun Recovery Unit, these teams have recovered over 1000+ illegal guns and have made well over 4000 criminal arrests. James Boteler has instructed thousands of law enforcement members from all across the country as a contracted instructor for FLETC and St. Petersburg College Center for Public Safety Innovation.