# CANINES IN THE COURTROOM

**OCTOBER 23, 2024** 

When: October 23, 2024 Time: 8am to 5pm Where: WSU Extension DF Allmendinger Center 2606 W. Pioneer Ave, Puyallup, WA 98471

Northwest HIDTA and the Puyallup Police Department are hosting HITS Training & Consulting's one day training course for all Law Enforcement Drug Detection Canine Teams. This 8 hour course is designed specifically to enhance your skills at articulating necessary facts which are important to showing K9 reliability during court proceedings. The training consists of a Canine Search and Seizure Lecture and a presentation on Record Keeping and Court Testimony.

- There is no cost for this training.
- This course is designed for sworn law enforcement drug detection canine handlers only.
- Handlers will not need to bring their canine partners.
- Canine Search and Seizure Lecture Class (Morning)
- Record Keeping and Court Testimony (Afternoon)
- Please be in your seats and ready to go by 7:45am, as class starts promptly at 8:00am.
- Plenty of onsite parking.











## **COURSE DESCRIPTION**

HITS Training & Consulting is hosting a one day training course for all Law Enforcement Drug Dog Teams. This 8 hour course is designed specifically to enhance your skills at articulating necessary facts which are important to showing K9 reliability during court proceedings. Expert witness and seasoned K9 handler, Andy Weiman from the Broward County Sheriff's office has developed this course as a way to make each handler a winner in the courtroom. Bulletproofing your drug dog cases is a skill that can be learned, just like handling your police dog. Andy will walk you through each critical selling point that makes your drug dog cases much stronger in the courtroom.

Ted Daus was a prosecutor in Fort Lauderdale, Florida. He has been a prosecutor for the past 30 years, the last 25 of which he has been assigned to the Drug Trafficking Unit. He has extensive experience as a lecturer on K-9 search and seizure. He lectures regularly all across the country to National Canine Organization such as U.S.P.C.A., N.P.C.A. & N.A.P.W.D.A. He taught law school for 8 years as an adjunct Professor at Nova Southeastern School of Law. Ted was also counsel of record for the two United States Supreme Court Cases K9 cases: Florida vs. Harris and Florida vs. Jardines. Ted Daus tells it like it is and will help you understand the legal issues surrounding a narcotics dog deployment. After hearing Ted's presentation, you will not only be a better handler but also more knowledgeable in canine drug deployment. There is nothing boring about this legal lecture !!

Our Instructors will cover the essentials of K-9 learning theory so that each K-9 Handler has a clearer understanding of why and how their dog consistently performs every time he locates drug odors. This type of information is vital to a police K-9 Handler. When trying to convince a judge, a jury and a prosecutor that your trained police dog's alert is probable cause for a warrantless search, training records are vital. Every K-9 Handler must learn how to articulately convey how and why they are certain that their dog is well trained and reliable. Our class provides each student with this critical information.

The best dog training techniques in the world won't win a conviction in court if it's not properly documented and presented. Learn from the experts what drug dog record keeping really means and how to present it to your prosecutors and the courts as proof of your dog's reliability. HITS Training & Consulting instructors will discuss the latest legal updates affecting police drug dogs.

The topics taught in this class are some of the most valuable tools a Drug Dog Handler can have in his arsenal. More cases are lost because of the inability of the Handler to adequately demonstrate that the performance of his Police Dog rises to the level of Probable Cause. Come train with us and don't let all your hard work go down the drain.

## **INSTRUCTOR BIO'S**

#### **Andrew Weiman**

With more than 31 years of police experience involving various assignments in specialty drug investigation unit in south Florida, Detective Weiman has become a leading expert in the field. With 25 years of K9 experience since training his first drug dog with Canadian Customs, Andy has gone on to oversee the training of a variety of detector dogs to include teams that can find drugs, currency cell phones, tobacco and firearms. Andy's education and experience with police dog training has steered his career path into developing an industry leading recordkeeping software program called PackTrack. His depth of knowledge and understanding of state and federal laws regarding search and seizure has been an enormous asset to hundreds of K-9 handlers who attend his K-9 training courses. Andy's ability to teach detection canines was refined through over a decade of training for MCTFT Multi-Jurisdictional Counter Drug Task Force Training Center. Andy taught thousands of handlers all over the US and its territories. Andy has served on the editorial advisory board for Police K-9 Magazine and created HITS, the training conference known for its breadth of diversified K9 training lectures. Andy was a co-author of the book "Canines in the Courtroom" used by handlers, trainers, and supervisors as reference material for training courses. Andy's expert opinions on drug dogs and recordkeeping will surely help bring the entire law enforcement K9 industry to a higher level of clarity. His countless court appearances and proven skills as an expert witness on the stand are clear testimony to the effectiveness of proper K9 recordkeeping as a means to establishing K9 reliability. As a K9 trainer and handler with the Broward County Sheriff's Office in Florida, Andy continues to educate others through his direct oversight of the training.

#### Ted Daus

Ted Daus was an assistant state attorney with the Broward County State Attorney's Office in Fort Lauderdale, Florida. He was a prosecutor for the 30 years, the last 24 of which he was assigned to the Drug Trafficking Unit for the State Attorney's Office. Ted graduated from Nova Southeastern School of Law in 1991. He has extensive experience as a lecturer on search and seizure for D.E.A., U.S. Customs, various Florida Police Departments, the Florida Prosecuting Attorneys Association, the Police K-9 Training Institute, Police Canine Consultants and the Canine Development Group. He lectures regularly all across the country to National Canine Organization such as U.Š.P.C.Á., N.P.C.A., NNDDA & Ń.A.P.W.D.A. He was an adjunct professor of law for Nova Southeastern University Teaching Trial Advocacy and coaching national mock trial teams. He was the legal editor and writer for Police K-9 Magazine and lectures every year at their national canine conference "HITS". He is the current nationwide legal advisor for the National Police Canine Association headquartered in Arizona. Most notably, Ted was counsel of record for both United States Supreme Court K-9 cases, Harris & Jardines, argued before the court on October 31st, 2012. Ted currently works for the Fort Lauderdale Police Department working on his second pension.