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Advanced Learning Management System

Critical Legal Skills to Help You Prepare for Promotion Written Exams, Oral Boards and Assessment Centers

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Vital Legal Skills for Law Enforcement

Brief Course Description and Introduction

Have you ever considered - maybe you **don't** know Miranda? And … maybe you **don't** know other important law enforcement case law principles – at least not as well as you should?

If you **don't** know the critical 200+ most important case law principles – you can't possibly apply them properly on the street.

"An officer can gain no Fourth Amendment advantage through a sloppy study of the laws he is duty-bound to enforce."

Chief Justice John Roberts in
Heien v. North Carolina, 574 U.S. 54 (2014).
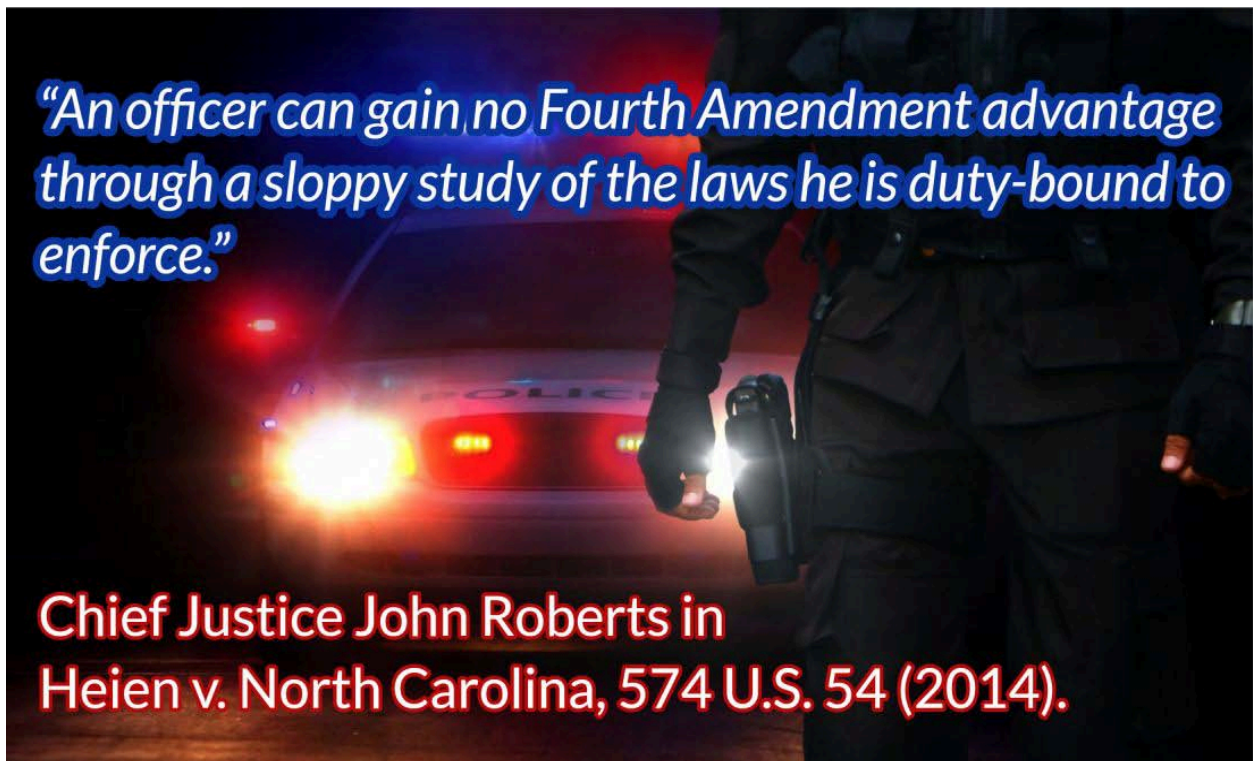
Case Law Pro **(CLP)** is an advanced, online law enforcement **Learning Management System (LMS)** built with techniques currently used to train law students and attorneys. CLP will give you a thorough understanding of 200+ U.S. Supreme Court cases critical to your law enforcement duties and show you how to apply their principles on the street. The course is broken up into 18 modules and is meant to be taken self-paced over 120 days.

You will take a pre-test before learning each module and can practice with that online exam as needed. There are 220+ scenario questions in total, broken down by module.

Our exams are not meant to trip you up or "fail" you, but to give you the solid knowledge that **YOU DO know Miranda** (and all the other cases as well!)

The 4 Crucial Components in the CLP Advanced Training System;

(1) You will log in to our online LMS and after you take and score the pre-test, you will review the questions and answers in the course material. **You will learn**

why the wrong answers are wrong. Each wrong response is reviewed as to why it is not the proper response for the scenario you were given. **This is how law students and attorneys learn to apply case law**, by analyzing correct and incorrect responses to hundreds of law enforcement scenario questions. **You will learn in the same method**, and be able to analyze your street enforcement situations with greater confidence that you are taking the correct enforcement action. This is also great practice for your written promotion exams and assessment centers!

(2) You will read and highlight **specially constructed summaries** of leading U.S. Supreme Court (USSC) cases encompassing vital rules relating to law enforcement duties. Then you will read, highlight and create notes in the PDF of the full court opinion, focusing on the facts leading to the conclusions drawn in the case summary. **This is how law school students and attorneys master the details of these important cases.**

(3) Reading each USSC case summary, along with highlighting and making notes in the court opinion section, will further help you identify and guide you through application of these case principles on the street.

(4) You may also learn material from legal titles during the subscription period, and can take an exam for those titles. Here are the titles you can add to your course (books must be purchased separately).

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LMS Module 1 through 18 – Summaries and Descriptions

Module 1 - The Exclusionary Rule

Major concepts analyzed for law enforcement application in Module 1 include:

> When the exclusionary rule applies > Good faith belief

> Inevitable discovery > The independent source doctrine

Review of **12 United States Supreme Court (USSC) cases, 12 scenario test questions and answers**, with the 36 wrong answers reviewed.

Module 2 - The 4th Amendment and Privacy

Major concepts analyzed for law enforcement application in Module 2 include:

> State action > Standing > Standards of proof > Searches, privacy and trespass.

Review of **6 USSC cases, 6 scenario test questions and answers**, with the 18 wrong answers reviewed.

Module 3 - Areas Not Considered Private - Part 1

Major concepts analyzed for law enforcement application in Module 3 include:

> Searches with no reasonable expectation of privacy

> Abandoned property > Information within public knowledge

> Open fields > Open air canine sniff.

Review of **12 USSC cases, 12 scenario test questions and answers**, with the 36 wrong answers reviewed.

Module 4 - Areas Not Considered Private - Part 2

Major concepts analyzed for law enforcement application in Module 4 include:

> Expectation of privacy – Consent > Mere presence in residence > Parolees.

Review of **15 USSC cases, 15 scenario test questions and answers**, with the 45 wrong answers reviewed.

Module 5 - Warrant Exceptions - Part 1

Major concepts analyzed for law enforcement application in Module 5 include:

> Minimal invasions > Exigent circumstances.

Review of **16 USSC cases, 16 scenario test questions and answers**, with the 48 wrong answers reviewed.

Module 6 - Warrant Exceptions - Part 2
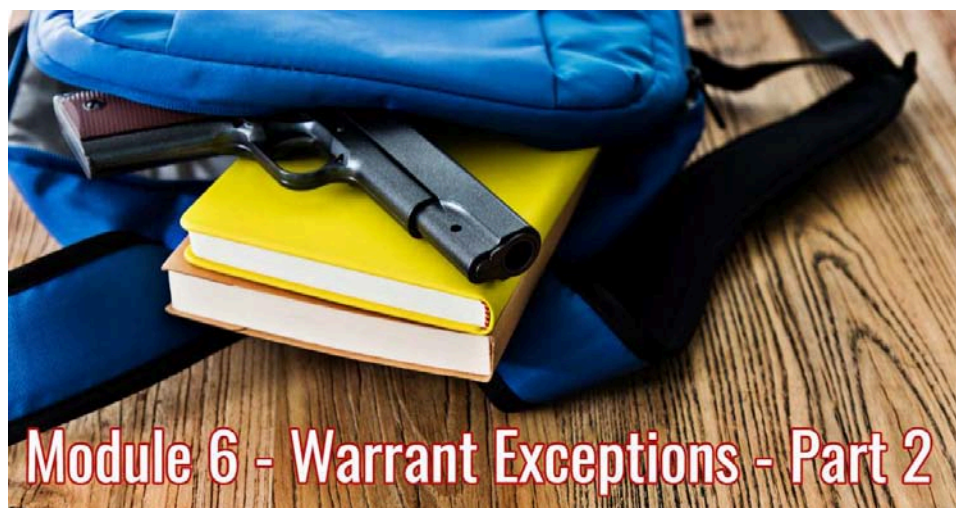
Major concepts analyzed for law enforcement application in Module 6 include:

> Investigations based on reasonable suspicion

> Plain view / plain feel.

Review of **14 USSC cases, 14 scenario test questions and answers**, with the 42 wrong answers reviewed.

Module 7 - Warrant Exceptions - Part 3

Major concepts analyzed for law enforcement application in Module 7 include:

> Automobile searches.

Review of **10 USSC cases, 10 scenario test questions and answers**, with the 30 wrong answers reviewed.

Module 8 - Warrant Exceptions - Part 4

Major concepts analyzed for law enforcement application in Module 8 include:

> Searches incident to arrest

> Inventory and booking procedures.

Review of **18 USSC cases, 19 scenario test questions and answers**, with the 57 wrong answers reviewed.

Module 9 - Warrant Exceptions - Part 5

Major concepts analyzed for law enforcement application in Module 9 include:

> Regulatory investigations

> School searches.

Review of **7 USSC cases, 12 scenario test questions and answers**, with the 36 wrong answers reviewed.

Module 10 - Warrant Searches

Major concepts analyzed for law enforcement application in Module 10 include:
> Hotel rooms and overnight guests > Efforts to secure a home after a fire
> Searches within the curtilage of a home > Technology allowing for gathering information > Body Intrusions > Large amounts of personal information > Mail and package searches.

Review of **15 USSC cases, 15 scenario test questions and answers**, with the 45 wrong answers reviewed.

Module 11 - Seizures - Consent and Terry Stops

Major concepts analyzed for law enforcement application in Module 11 include:
> Consent > Terry stops > Detention seizures.
Review of **16 USSC cases, 16 scenario test questions and answers**, with the 48 wrong answers reviewed.

Module 12 - Seizures - Arrests and Probable Cause

Major concepts analyzed for law enforcement application in Module 12 include:
> "Totality of the circumstances"
> Consensual encounter transformed into an arrest
> When arrests based on probable cause may be made without a warrant
> Untested informant information > Questioning during a lawful seizure
> Independent investigation of an anonymous tip
> Contraband in common view within a car's passenger compartment
> Arrest inside a home made after hot pursuit.
Review of **13 USSC cases, 13 scenario test questions and answers**, with the 39 wrong answers reviewed.

Module 13 - Search Warrant Requirements

Major concepts analyzed for law enforcement application in Module 13 include:

> Anticipatory Warrants and triggering conditions
> When you need to knock and announce – and when you don't
> Detaining persons within the property that is the subject of the warrant
> Covert entries
> Persons leaving the area of the search warrant
> Search warrants in public establishments
> Entries of homes to execute arrest warrants
> Media presence during search warrant execution
> Listing evidence seized affecting validity of warrant.

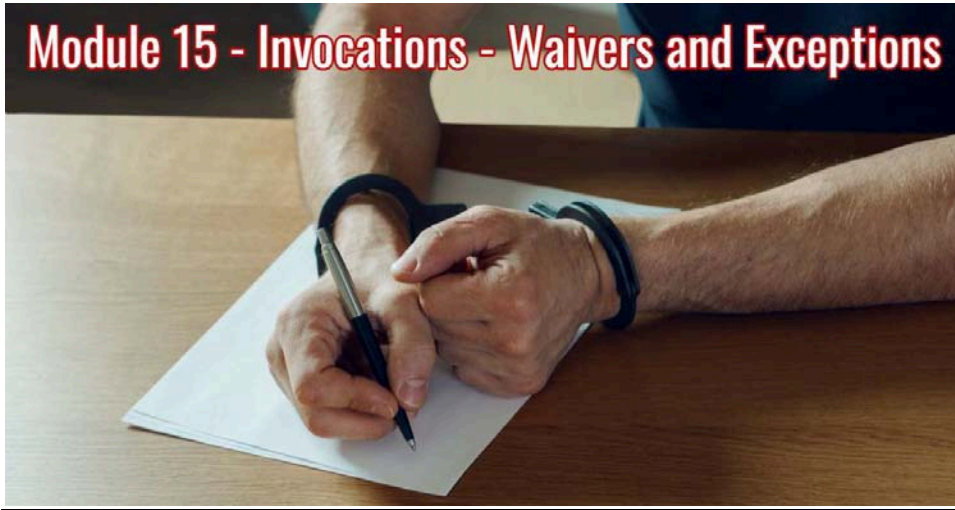Review of **14 USSC cases, 14 scenario test questions and answers**, with the 42 wrong answers reviewed.

Module 14 - Custodial Interrogation

Major concepts analyzed for law enforcement application in Module 14 include:

> Exploring the many nuances of "custody"
> Words used to communicate the Miranda warning
> Miranda and foreign nationals
> Untested informant information
> The questioning environment – bedrooms, hospital rooms, etc.
> Questioning in police facilities
> Questioning, warnings and the suspect's age
> Undercover officers and informants and Miranda
> Interrogation and methods other than direct questioning
> Compelling a suspect to speak during a lineup
> Some questions during booking have Miranda protection
> Miranda and blood-alcohol tests using implied consent
> Technical violations of Miranda in one statement affecting other statements.

Review of **20 USSC cases, 20 scenario test questions and answers**, with the 60 wrong answers reviewed.

Module 15 - Invocations - Waivers and Exceptions

Major concepts analyzed for law enforcement application in Module 15 include:

> When has a suspect invoked their right to an attorney?
> Can a waiver of rights be implied rather than expressed?
> What questions can you ask AFTER invocation of right to attorney?
> Is invocation of Miranda rights case specific?
> What does a break of 14 days from invoking a right to attorney trigger?
> Can a person in prison still be "not in custody" for Miranda purposes?
> Do you have to disclose all charges to a person before the waiver?
> Are implied, rather than direct, threats still coercive?

Review of **17 USSC cases, 19 scenario test questions and answers**, with the 57 wrong answers reviewed.

Module 16 - 6th Amendment Right to Counsel

Major concepts analyzed for law enforcement application in Module 16 include:

> When is an offender "formally charged?"
> Spontaneous and unsolicited statements
> Information not related to the charged offense
> Untested informant information
> Is a voluntary Miranda waiver still valid after a suspect is charged?
> Can you still use evidence obtained after 6th Amendment violations?

Review of **8 USSC cases, 8 scenario test questions and answers**, with the 24 wrong answers reviewed.
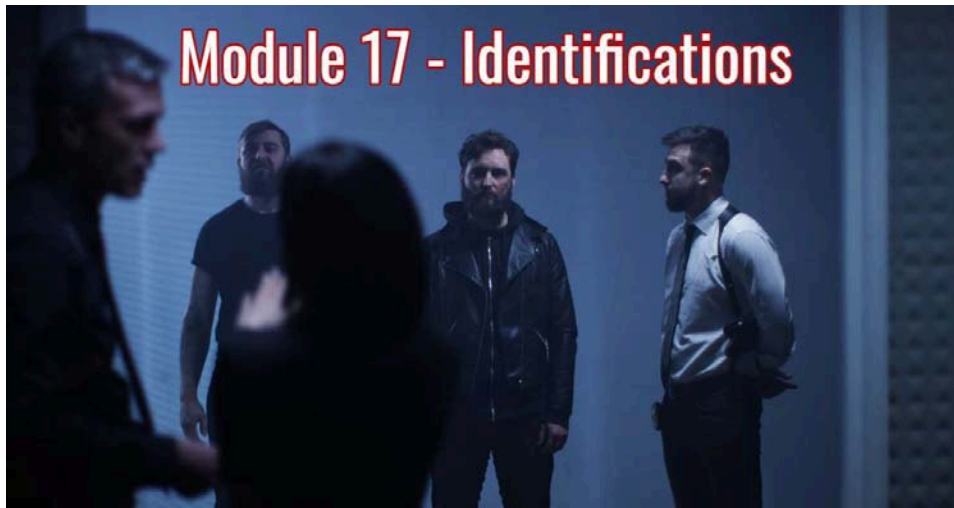
Major concepts analyzed for law enforcement application in Module 17 include:

> What makes an identification procedure "suggestive?"
> After an improper identification, can the victim make a subsequent, valid identification that may be introduced at trial?
> What types of group photos containing suspects are permissible to use?
> Does a suspect have a right to an attorney at a live lineup before formal charges? What about after? What about photo lineups?

Review of **9 USSC cases, 9 scenario test questions and answers**, with the 27 wrong answers reviewed.

Module 18 - Civil Liability and Law Enforcement

Major concepts analyzed for law enforcement application in Module 18 include:

> Deadly force
> Search warrant affidavits
> Improper vs. unreasonable seizures
> When officers are immune from civil damages
> Qualified immunity and good faith.

Review of **8 USSC cases, 8 scenario test questions and answers**, with the 24 wrong answers reviewed.

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State and National Legal Exams

You can choose any 2 of these exams to include with Case Law Pro modules at no extra cost (We suggest your state exam if available, plus choosing 1 national title). The textbooks are purchased or rented separately. Links below are provided for Amazon or direct to the publisher.

California Peace Officers Legal Sourcebook & California Codes 300+ questions

Connecticut Law Enforcement Officer's Field Manual – 270+ questions

Florida Law Enforcement Handbook – 300+ questions

Michigan Criminal Law and Procedure - a Handbook for Michigan Police Officers – 390+ questions

Pennsylvania - Criminal Law Digest – 390+ questions

Texas Criminal and Traffic Law Manual – 260+ questions

Law Officer's Pocket Manual – 360+ questions

Briefs of Leading Cases in Law Enforcement – 200+ questions

Civil Liability in Criminal Justice – 200+ questions

Legal Guide for Police - Constitutional Issues – 200+ questions

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We update as often as needed, as soon as our attorney finds new case law that affects any of the Module topics. During your subscription we notify you by email and will send the new material, module changes, new exam questions, etc out to you as soon as it is available.

Do the Modules have to be taken in order?

No. You can take them in any order and skip Modules if you choose to (not suggesting you do, but it's under your control to do so). We placed them in the order we feel works best, with the longer modules toward the end. However you are free to adapt the course material as you see fit.

How do I take the exams on the state and national textbooks?

If during your subscription period you want to learn with the exams from any 2 of these legal titles, (limited to 1 state and 1 national title, or 2 national titles) we will activate the exams in your account. If you are in Texas, Michigan, California, Florida, Connecticut or Pennsylvania, you will want to add your state's legal exam. If you are in any other state, any one of these national legal titles would be an excellent companion to Case Law Pro. You will just need to purchase or rent the textbooks.

Who put together and wrote the Case Law Pro Course and why?

Police Career and Promotion Services, LLC, and our attorney have created this course for the benefit of all U.S. law enforcement officers. Why? Our reason is very simple – it is the answer to this important question; **who should be better trained in applying critical case law principles, attorneys or law enforcement officers**? We are sure you know the answer.

What if we have problems or questions?

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