

Human Intelligence: aka Informants

How to Identify and Manage, Risk Mitigation and Event Planning

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Informants are an invaluable asset in the acquisition of information and intelligence. Informants can provide real-time intelligence on criminal activities. However, informants can present challenges to even the most skilled controlling officer. This course will teach some of the skills needed to identify and manage informants while they conduct intelligence gathering operations for law enforcement effectively and safely. Additionally, it will outline how to mitigate risk in the management of informants when they are deployed undercover, in addition to how to mitigate risk in the planning and execution enforcement operations.

If you work in any LE role such as homicide, drugs, gangs, gun crimes, sex crimes, human trafficking, property crimes, financial crimes or street crime units, any discipline where you might use an Informant, this class is for you! Prosecutors are more than welcome too! *This class is only open to certified/active law enforcement personnel, including Prosecutors*

This eight (8) hour class will cover such Topics as:

- How to identify Confidential Informants (CI)
- How to manage CIs and be successful
- How to mitigate risk while working with CIs
- Risk Mitigation in street operations, UC operations, and warrants
- The Flip or solicit cooperation
- How to determine a CIs motivation
- Is your CI policy working for you?

Instructor: Selby Smith is a retired DEA agent with over 32 years of law enforcement experience. He has been teaching the use of confidential informants since 1999. He served in Los Angeles, Islamabad (Pakistan), Spokane (WA), Washington DC, Kabul (Afghanistan), and Seattle offices. He finished his law enforcement career as an Assistant Chief of Police in Spokane. He is the author of the book: Human Intelligence aka Informants How to Identify and Manage.

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Cost: \$150.00 (book included) * Location: Puyallup PD Training Facility (on Pierce College Campus) 1531 39th Ave SE Puyallup, WA * 8:00 AM (start time)



HOW TO REGISTER

Email your name, a phone number, and your agency to: KLS3.ES@gmail.com

You will receive instructions on how to pay once registered

Review by a previous student: "...Selby draws on his years of criminal investigative experience to teach Human Intelligence and Risk Mitigation in an engaging and informative manner. With harrowing real-life stories, and years of lessons to draw from, Selby engages his audience and imparts the importance of recognizing potential issues and risks with informant handling. Without these skills, tunnel vision and lost objectivity can lead to dangerous and failed criminal investigations resulting in a loss of reputation, criminal/civil liability, and possibly physical harm to the handler or others. This course is a "must-attend" and definitive primer on informant handling for any criminal investigator, law enforcement supervisor, or intelligence officer working with informants and sources of information." Doug J.