

## Protest Response and Anticipated NTOA Public Order Standards Webinar

### Description

This webinar will focus on protest response standards and the soon-to-be-released Public Order National Standards recommended by the National Tactical Officers Association (NTOA). The NTOA Public Order Section Chair, Spencer Fomby, and the NTOA Legal Section Chair, Attorney Eric Daigle, will discuss why the standards were developed, what they are, and why your agency should adopt them.

The webinar will review applicable legal, policy, and training requirements. Panelists will also discuss what the standards mean for your agency and where to find appropriate training. There will be a discussion about the partnership between NTOA and the National Institute of Justice (NIJ) to create national standards for Public Order equipment.

### During this webinar, you will receive an overview of the following topics:

- Review legal and policy standards for protest response by your agency.
- Review the anticipated NTOA Public Order National Standards
- Review planning, equipping and training your agency on Protest response.

Topics will include the legal standards for response to protest disorder, the challenges of establishing and integrating the standards at your agency and how planning, equipping and training your personnel for the standards is essential in professionalizing your agency.

### Instructors

#### Captain Spencer Fomby (Ret.)

Spencer Fomby is the retired Captain of the Boise Police Department Training, Education, and Development Division. He was previously employed by the Berkeley Police Department (CA) for 20 years. He has held primary assignments in patrol, narcotics, and crime prevention. He was assigned to the department's SWAT team for 16 years. Captain Fomby was the lead Berkeley Police Department public order instructor. He was responsible for equipment selection, tactical training, less-lethal weapon selection, chemical agent selection and deployment, and mission planning. Captain Fomby has been recognized as a subject matter expert in police tactics and works on several national projects. He is the Public Order Section Chair for the National Tactical Officers Association (NTOA). He is a member of the NTOA Public Order Response and Operations Standard Committee. He is assigned to a National Institute of Justice Special Technical Committee on crowd control equipment. He is an SME in crowd control equipment and tactics for the DHS First Responder Resource Group. Captain Fomby is a Visiting Fellow in Police Science at the University of Derby, U.K. Captain Fomby earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in Administration of Justice from Howard University.

## **Attorney Eric P. Daigle**

Attorney Eric Daigle specializes in Civil Rights litigation and law enforcement operations consulting. Attorney Daigle also conducts training on use of force standards, including electronic control weapons and responses to force/deadly force incidents. Attorney Daigle acts in his capacity as a Law Enforcement Consultant providing guidance and oversight to department command staff on operations, force response, and risk management. He has served as an expert witness in use of force cases and has reviewed use of force incidents around the country. Attorney Daigle serves as a member of independent monitoring teams and acts as an auditor in reviewing police department organizational compliance with procedural revisions directed or overseen by the Federal court system.

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