



Cat Out of the Bag

1 Hour Course

Course Outline

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Course Introduction – 10 minutes

- 1) Instructor introduction.
- 2) Explain the course objective.
- 3) Encourage attendees to ask questions and share feedback with other attendees.
- 4) Explain that certificates will be emailed after the class and each student will be registered in the Blue to Gold University.
- 5) Go over the three disclaimers:
 - a) Laws and agency standard operating procedures may be more restrictive. Blue to Gold teaching the federal standard unless otherwise stated. Therefore, students must know their state and local requirements in addition to the federal standard.
 - b) If students have any doubts about their actions, ask a supervisor or legal advisor.
 - c) The course is not legal advice, but legal education. Therefore, nothing we teach should be interpreted as legal advice. Check with your agency's legal advisor for legal advice.

Module One: Privacy

- Did suspect expect privacy?
- Would society consider it reasonable?
- Both are required!

Module Two: Private Searches

- Private searches and the Fourth Amendment

Module Three: Government Agents

- When a private search becomes a government search

Open Forum: Discuss various cases

- People v. Fierro
- US v. Hardin
- State v. Tucker
- George v. Edholm
- US v. Reed
- State v. Smith

- US v. Bruce
- People v. Adams

Module Four: Cat out of the Bag Searches

- Can't exceed private search
- Must have lawful access
- Digital Devices
- Substantial Certainty

Takeaways