



CRITICAL INCIDENT TRAINING

FROM BEGINNING TO CONCLUSION

Law Enforcement Labor Services Legal Team, Legal Defense Fund, MN BCA Force Unit, MN State Patrol, and the Stearns County Attorney's Office will provide training related to Critical Incidents in Public Safety.

This Training has been approved for 6 POST credits.

The training will be focused on what may happen if you are involved in a Critical Incident, whether you are the subject, witness, or managing the scene. This training will provide background on what to expect if (or when) that day comes, and how to navigate the process. Trying to learn what to do when the incident is unfolding is not the time. It is also important to make sure you are trained, experienced, and have a knowledge base well in advance to ensure laws, policies, and procedures are in place to protect you and your department.

Topics Will Include:

- What is a Critical Incident?
 - Officer Involved Shootings
 - Pursuits resulting in Serious Injury or Death
 - In-Custody Deaths (Correctional Facilities)
 - Accidental Deaths
- What are the potential criminal charges?
 - Homicide
 - Manslaughter
 - Criminal Vehicular Operation
 - Duty to Intercede / Aid and Abet
 - Deliberate Indifference Related Charges
- Civil Liability Implications
- State and Federal Charges / Civil Rights Violations
- What is the role of first responders and supervisors and for those involved?
- The investigation by the BCA Force Unit, MN State Patrol, or outside agency.
- Understanding the difference between a "Public Safety Statement" and you making a statement to investigators.
- Preservation of evidence and the rights of those involved (uniforms, weapons, camera footage, blood draws, cell phones, etc.).
- Written statements, taped statements, written reports, or no statement by subjects or witnesses.

Who Should Attend:

This training is open, and priority registration is available to any LELS member. Non-Members will be accommodated if space is available. This training is designed for police officers, corrections officers, first-line supervisors, & public safety administrators. During these highly uncertain and ever-changing times, our goal is to build a knowledge base throughout the state to ensure the best possible outcome for those involved and for members of their agencies.

REGISTER FOR A TRAINING EVENT NEAR YOU

Name: _____ Email Address: _____

POST Number: _____ Agency: _____

HOST AGENCY & TRAINING LOCATION *(Select one)*

- ☐ **November 5, 2026 – Blue Earth County Sheriff's Office**
401 Carver Rd, Mankato, MN 56001
- ☐ **November 12, 2026 – Duluth Police Department**
2030 North Arlington Avenue, Duluth, MN 55811
- ☐ **January 13, 2027 – St. Cloud Police Department**
101 11th Avenue North, St. Cloud, MN 56303

To register, return form to cdeans@lels.org, or click link for the electronic form: [LELS Critical Incident Training \(jotform.com\)](https://lels.org/critical-incident-training)



CRITICAL INCIDENT TRAINING AGENDA

7:00 – 8:00	REGISTRATION
8:00 – 8:10	WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS Jim Mortenson - LELS Executive Director
8:10 – 10:10	BUREAU OF CRIMINAL APPREHENSION – RESPONSE CRITICAL INCIDENTS Scott Mueller - BCA Deputy Superintendent
10:10 – 10:20	BREAK
10:20 – 10:45	RESPONSE TO CRITICAL INCIDENTS – PURSUITS / CRASHES Captain Jason Bartell - MN State Patrol
10:45 – 12:30	PROSECUTOR PERSPECTIVE IN CRITICAL INCIDENTS Janelle Kendall - Stearns County Attorney
12:30 – 1:15	LUNCH (on your own)
1:15 – 2:00	INVOLVED OFFICER - ATTORNEY RESPONSE Mark Schneider – LELS General Counsel
2:00 – 2:10	BREAK
2:15 – 2:45	ATTORNEY RESPONSE AND WITNESS REPRESENTATION Mark Schneider , LELS General Counsel
2:45 – 2:50	BREAK
2:50 – 4:00	CASE STUDY – CRITICAL INCIDENT RESPONSE / TRIALS / LESSONS LEARNED Mark Schneider , LELS General Counsel