





# MIAMI POLICE TRAINING CENTER Staged Accidents, Organized Crime and RICO

### **Instructors:**

ASA Jose J. Arrojo. Chief Assistant State Attorney, Eleventh Judicial Circuit of Florida, Admitted to Florida Bar 1988 Preparatory Education - University of Miami (B.S. Ed. 1985) Legal Education - Florida State University (J.D. 1987) ASA Arrojo has personally prosecuted significant staged accidents cases under Florida's RICO Act as a line ASA in the Organized Crime Unit.

<u>Captain Steve Smith</u> of the South Region for the Division of Insurance Fraud, is State PIP Fraud Coordinator; has 32 years with state government, and 23 years experience insurance fraud.

<u>Lieutenant John R. Dygon</u> has been a law enforcement officer for 35 years; 13 years with the Division of Insurance Fraud and currently supervises a Personal Injury Protection Squad.

<u>Supervisory SA Fred Burkhardt</u>, NICB, has lead the South Florida Major Medical Fraud Task Force for 8 years. He has more than 30 years of insurance experience; Masters Degree in Political Science, a Senior Claim Law Associate and Fraud Claims Law Specialist.

<u>Senior SA Ralph Garcia</u>, NICB, has over 10 years of undercover experience and spent 22 years with Hialeah Police as detective in Homicide/Robbery, Sexual Battery, Economic Crimes, Special Investigations and Intelligence.



## **COURSE OVERVIEW:**

The State of Florida and National Insurance Crime Bureau have teamed up to present an overview of Staged Accidents and how organized crime is involved. These accidents have far reaching components that officers need to be aware of when they prepare reports and/or investigate accidents. Seemingly routine accidents may be the set-up for fraudulent claims orchestrated by organized crime. Their culture, techniques, arenas and methods of addressing them are presented in this course. The afternoon portion will focus on how RICO applies and what needs to be known to build a solid case. Information on rewards plus question and answer segments will close the presentations.

FEE: No charge / Grant Funded

**DATE/TIME: January 27, 2012, 0800-1700** 

LOCATION: Miami Police College

350 NW 2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue, Room 216 Miami, FL 33128

### **REGISTRATION:**

MPD: Submit an approved RF-19 through channels

**Other agencies**: Fax or email only the first page of this application: http://www.miami-police.org/docs/Student\_Application\_Form.pdf

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Closing date: December 27, 2011 (Space is limited)

Attire: Professional; no T-shirts, Jeans, Shorts, Tennis shoes or Sandals

# Accommodations for participants with special needs:

To ensure that we can accommodate persons with disabilities who wish to attend our courses, please be sure to identify the accommodation when you register.