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In-Service Training Conference

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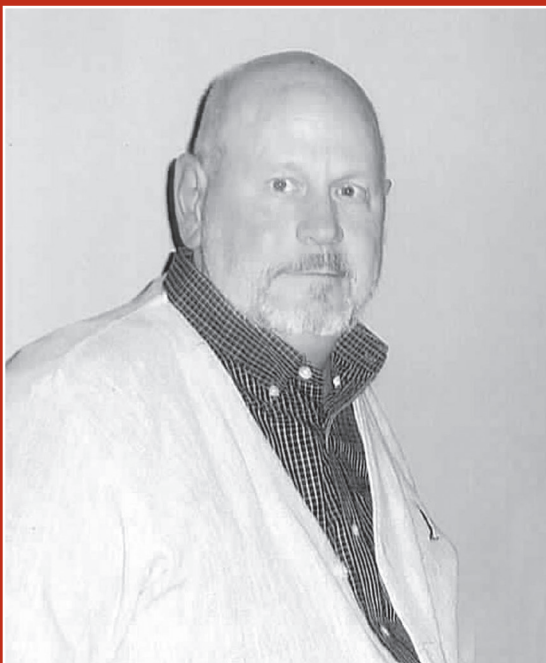
## Dr. David Avolt In-Service Training Conference

The conference name comes from former Tippecanoe County Coroner, Dr. David Avolt. David died on August 16, 2012 as the result of an auto accident in Dunedin, Florida. The Indiana State Coroners Association looked back at the history of David’s dedication, love, leadership and affiliation with the Association. The board reflected on the growth, positive changes and guidance that David brought to this fraternal organization. David was a very valuable part of making the Indiana State Coroners Association and the Coroners Training Board into what they are today by his active involvement and encouragement, and forethought of the future and his drive for education and professionalism.

Based on all of this the board unanimously voted to rename our annual conference the Dr. David Avolt In-Service Training Conference. This is in recognition of a man who truly dedicated his life to the betterment of his fellow coroners.

He was elected Tippecanoe County Coroner in 1984 after serving as a deputy under Dr. William Sholty. He served in the coroner’s office since then. As Coroner he was instrumental in raising the professionalism of the office, helping to write the legislation in 1993 that required all Coroners and Deputy Coroners to become trained, state certified and requiring continuing education. Dr. Avolt was the first Veterinarian to be elected as a Fellow of the American Academy of Forensic Sciences in 1979. He had served as President of the Coroners Association in 1992 and a longtime board member. He had also served as the Executive Director of the Coroners Training Board from 1994-1998.

“Doc” is considered by many, as the Dean of Indiana Coroners. His willingness to counsel, assist or advise those seeking his wisdom and experience has been a tremendous asset over the years, not only to coroners but to the families being served as well. His proudest accomplishments are the students and colleagues he has mentored through the years that achieved the great heights “Dr. Dave” knew they were capable of achieving.



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# Indiana State Coroners | **Dr. David Avolt** In-Service Training Conference

## **Schedule of Events - Indiana Day**

### **Thursday, June 20th**

8:00 am – 4:00 pm	Registration
9:45 am – 10:00 am	Welcome – Ed Cripe, Clinton County Coroner, ISCA President Phil Zahm, Huntington County Chief Deputy Coroner, CTB Chairman Dr. Lindsay Weaver, IDOH Commissioner Opening Ceremony - Gordon Becher, Knox County Deputy Coroner Presentations of the Colors - Indiana State Police Color Guard National Anthem - Voices of the Indianapolis Fire Department
10:00 am – 11:00 am	Indiana Law & CTB/ISCA Update, Tony Ciriello, CTB Director of Training
11:00 am – Noon	Coroner Panel
12:00 pm – 1:00 pm	Lunch (provided)
1:00 pm – 2:00 pm	Dr. Phil O'Shaugnessy Case Studies
2:00 pm – 2:15 pm	Break
2:15 pm – 3:00 pm	Awards Ceremony
2:00 pm – 5:00 pm	Jo Catania, MPA, D-ABMDI SUID Investigations: Reenactments & Collaboration
7:30 pm – 11:00 pm	Cornhole Round Robin, Game Night & DRIVE Alive Simulator Gathering Room, Sponsored by ISCA and Exhibitors



**Friday, June 21st**

- 7:00 am – 4:00 pm Registration
- 8:00 am – 8:15 am Announcements
- 8:15 am – 12:00 pm Barbara Butcher
  - Problem Cases in the Medicolegal Death Investigation: We Won't Get Fooled Again
  - Mass Fatality Management: Do it Right the First Time, or Go Back Later
  - Sexual Orientation and Gender Identity: Is it Necessary for Death Investigation?

***\* Breaks are given at the discretion of the speaker***

- Noon – 1:00 pm Lunch (provided)
- Noon – 1:00 pm General Business Meeting for Paid Coroners Only or their Proxy (Lunch provided)
- 1:00 pm – 5:00 pm Steve Ainsworth
  - Cold Case Study:1970 Betty Lee Jones Rape Murder
  - Gunshot Wounds and Sharp Force Injuries
  - Can't We All Just Get Along? Coroners and Law Enforcement Working Together

***\* Breaks are given at the discretion of the speaker***

- 7:30 pm – 8:30 pm Comedian, Kirk Bogos
- 8:30 pm – 11:00 pm Gathering Room Sponsored by ISCA and Exhibitors

**Saturday, June 22nd**

- 7:00 am – 10am Registration
- 8:00 am – 8:15 am Announcements
- Noon Steve Ainsworth
  - Exhumations
  - Case Study: Murder, Officer Involved Shooting, and The Aftermath
  - Blood at a Scene: More Than Something to Avoid Stepping In

***\* Breaks are given at the discretion of the speaker***

## **Indiana Law & CTB/ISCA Update**

PRESENTATION ABSTRACT: Legislative/Legal Update: This session will provide details on the latest legislative session and the effectiveness it has on the Office of the Coroner as well as previous legislation. This session will also provide the roles of the Indiana State Coroners Training Board and the Indiana State Coroners Association.

### **Coroner Panel**

PRESENTATION ABSTRACT: Coroner panel discussion will be held utilizing four coroners from around the state from various size agencies. The purpose of this panel is to share information, discuss issues faced by coroners, to share problem solving techniques and to answer those questions of how someone else manages this situation. Sitting on the panel will be Tony Ciriello, CTB Director of Training and moderator, Cyndi Dykes, Porter County Coroner, Merv Miller, Elkhart County Coroner, Jeff Jellison, Hamilton County Coroner and Jeremy McKim, Harrison County Coroner.

### **Jo Catania, MPA, D-ABMDI**

PRESENTATION ABSTRACT: SUID Investigations: Reenactments and Collaboration

This two-hour course is designed to provide a framework for investigators to navigate the complexities of a sudden unexpected death investigation (SUID). SUID investigations are complex and multifaceted and require a unique approach in comparison to typical death investigations. This course will integrate a trauma-informed approach for interviewing, emphasize the need for a multidisciplinary collaborative, and familiarize attendees with the importance of a doll reenactment. By blending these three elements, attendees will be empowered to conduct a thorough and compassionate infant death investigation.

### **Barbara Butcher, MDI**

PRESENTATION ABSTRACT: Unique cases that offer a challenge from other coroners and deputy coroners.

PRESENTATION ABSTRACT: SUID Investigations: Reenactments & Collaboration

PRESENTATION ABSTRACT: Problem Cases in Medicolegal Death Investigation: We Won't Get Fooled Again

The Manner of Death is primarily determined by the investigation at the scene and the interview of witnesses. These provide a context for the death and how it occurred. However, evidence at a scene is subject to interpretation and experience, and witnesses are not always dependable—some are purposefully untruthful.

We will review cases that fooled the initial responders, post-mortem changes that can alter findings, and techniques of eliciting accurate information from witnesses.

## Mass Fatality Management: Do it Right the First Time, or Go Back Later

We will present and review the management and operations of two mass fatality disasters: the 9/11 attack on the World Trade Center and the East Asian Tsunami of 2004. In the case of 9/11, why did we have to go back five years after the initial remains recovery and re-excavate the site in a long operation costing millions of dollars? In the East Asian Tsunami in Thailand, what failure on the first day resulted in a prolonged and costly recovery and ID process? We will discuss how the initial assessment can change everything.

## Sexual Orientation and Gender Identity: Is it Necessary for Death Investigation?

Non-binary, transgender, three-spirit, bisexual, queer, polyamorous, gay: the terms keep changing as people become more aware of the variety and fluidity of gender and sexuality. Does a decedent's identity need to incorporate their gender preference and sexual orientation? If so, how do we determine that? Is it relevant to death investigation? Let's discuss.

## **Detective Steve Ainsworth (ret)**

PRESENTATION ABSTRACT: Detective Steve Ainsworth (ret) This will encompass several presentations on a variety of topics, including: The 1970 Betty Lee Jones Rape/Murder, which was solved after 16 years of investigation through FGG, Gunshot Wounds and Sharp Force Injuries, Coroners and Law Enforcement Working Together, Exhumations, Murder, Officer Involved Shooting, and The Aftermath – an investigation into not only the incident itself, but the harrowing aftermath of the officer involved, Blood at a Scene: More Than Something to Avoid Stepping In. Through examples, diagrams, photographs, and personal experience, Steve will guide the participants through each topic, promoting a better understanding of each.

# 2024 IN SERVICE TRAINING CONFERENCE

Registration information (Please print or type all information)

## REGISTRATION FORM Course Attendee Demographics

Name	Title (Coroner/Deputy Coroner/Other)
County	Phone:
Address	City
Email:	ZIP Code
Will your spouse and/or family be staying with you?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
If not, request your roommate:	

### Registration Fees (check appropriate category) for Coroner/Deputy Coroner

Full Conference	<input type="checkbox"/>	
1-Day Conference	<input type="checkbox"/>	Date
2-Day Conference	<input type="checkbox"/>	Date(s)
3-Day Conference	<input type="checkbox"/>	Date

*The CTB will cover the registration fee for any coroner/deputy coroner that is a Certified Medicolegal Death Investigator and is in good standing with their CEU hours.*

### Registration Fees (check appropriate category) Law Enforcement, Physicians, Prosecutors, Nursing, EMS, Other

Full Conference	<input type="checkbox"/>	
1-Day Conference	<input type="checkbox"/>	Date
2-Day Conference	<input type="checkbox"/>	Date(s)
3-Day Conference	<input type="checkbox"/>	Date

*Lunch: ISCA will provide a buffet lunch on Thursday and Friday for all attendees. Please indicate the day(s) you would like to eat lunch. **Please only mark if you plan to eat as we are charged for each plate.***

Thursday  Friday

Thursday Menu – Southwest - Build Your Own Fajitas and Taco Bar

Southwestern chicken tortilla soup, grilled chicken, spicy taco meat, refried beans, chopped vine ripened tomatoes, shredded cheddar cheese, crisp iceberg lettuce, diced onion, Pico de Gallo, sour cream, salsa, black bean and corn salad, Spanish rice, warm flour tortillas and taco shells, Tres leches parfaits.

Friday Menu – Italian – Wedding soup, Caesar salad, oven roasted pizza, grilled marinated chicken

marisala, cheese tortellini with roasted peppers, artichoke hearts, spicy Italian sausage and tomatoes, crisp breadsticks, house focaccia, and tiramisu martinis.

**R.A.D. – Self-Defense Class for Women** – June 20 – 21, 2024 – 9am – 4pm both days

This training is for female wives only – \$10.00 per person

Number to attend \_\_\_\_\_

**Thursday Evening Fun** – Cornhole Round Robin, Game Night, Drive Simulator

Number to attend \_\_\_\_\_

**Friday Evening Comedy** – Comedian, Kirk Bogos

Number to attend \_\_\_\_\_

**\*Rad registration on page 12.**

Course attendance agreement: I, \_\_\_\_\_, agree to attend at least 16 hours of the scheduled training conference. Failure to attend the established minimum hours will cause your hotel bill to be your responsibility and not that of the Coroner’s Training Board. Exceptions to this sixteen (16) hour requirement are illness, injury, or work-related emergencies which must be approved by the Executive Administrative Assistant of the Coroners Training Board or a designee.

Attendee: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Signature)

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Submit registration to  
**Barker.incoroner@gmail.com**

*You will be required to scan in each day and upon returning from lunch breaks and at the end of the day. Please remember to bring your ISCA issued ID card. If you have lost yours, a new one will be available for \$5.00.*

*Breaks are given at the discretion of the speaker. Video and/or audio taping of any sessions or parts thereof is not permitted. Although precautions are taken to prevent schedule changes, speakers and program schedules may change due to unforeseen circumstances.*

*No one under the age of 18 will be permitted into the lecture area.*

*Please turn off all cell phones and pagers or put them on vibrate or be subject to \$5.00 fine per incident going to the Dr. David Dennis scholarship fund.*



A special thank you goes to the Indiana State Coroners Association Board of Directors and the Indiana State Coroners Training Board members for their continued foresight on behalf of the Coroners of the state of Indiana.

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Lisa Barker, Tippecanoe County Deputy Coroner  
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Dr. Donna McVay, Parke County Coroner  
Charity Banks, Decatur County Coroner  
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**Conference Site**  
**Sheraton Hotel & Suites**  
**8787 Keystone Crossing**  
**Indianapolis, IN**

**Registration**

The CTB will cover the registration fee for any Coroner and Deputy Coroner that is a Certified Medicolegal Death Investigator and is in good standing with their CEU hours.

Other attendees are welcome to attend - \$300.00 full conference, \$100.00 – 1 day conference and ½ day conference - \$50.00

**Hotel Accommodations**

Planning to attend the 2024 Dr. David Avolt In-Service Training Conference, June 20-22, 2024, at the Sheraton Hotel & Suites? Reserve your room now for the best selection and before the room block runs out! The reservation deadline is May 20, 2024.

<https://www.marriott.com/event-reservations/reservation-link.mi?id=1709128434511&key=GRP&app=resvlink>  
(copy and paste)

If you want to arrive June 19th, you will need to call Tricia Gutierrez at 317-574-6744 to make your reservation as our reserved block will only allow June 20-22, 2024. The CTB will cover the nights of June 20th and 21st on-ly.

There will be a direct bill account established with the Sheraton Hotel & Suites to cover the \$127.00 plus tax. The CTB will cover the registration fee and hotel room for any coroner/deputy coroner that is a Certified Medicolegal Death Investigator and is in good standing with their CEU hours. (If the distance from your home or your workstation to Indianapolis is less than 50 miles, we are unable to cover your lodging.)

**We do require that if there is more than one (1) person of the same sex coming from the same county that you share a room unless you are bringing your family. If your family is coming, they must register once they arrive in the registration room for the CTB to pay for your room.**

All other attendees: tell them you are attending the “ISCA 2024 Annual Conference” as we have a block of rooms held for our group at the state rate of \$127.00 plus tax.

**Registration & Coroners Shop**

Suites 8, 9 & 10

Thursday, June 20th - 8:00 am-4:00 pm

Friday, June 21st – 7:00 am-4:00 pm

Saturday, June 22nd – 7:00 am-4:00 pm

**Exhibitors Hours**

Thursday, June 20th – 8:00 am–5:00 pm

Friday, June 21st – 7:00 am–5:00 pm

Saturday, June 22nd – 7:00 am–5:00 pm

## **Dress Code**

The ISCA is a professional association, and we need to project that image to the general public. The conference is a group of professionals learning about death investigation and gathering for networking.

Based on this we as the board are implementing that the attire will be business/casual. This will be monitored by the ISCA board of directors, so please do not embarrass yourself or the board and dress appropriately while you are representing your county at the conference.

## **COVID-19**

Anyone attending wishing to observe COVID-19 precautions may do so, but it is not mandated during the conference.

## **General Session Attendance**

The conference is for in-service training for the elected coroners and deputy coroners, therefore the ISCA must enforce that only coroners and their deputies that hold a current association ID badge and are a Medicolegal Death Investigator are present in the general sessions. Spouses are welcome to attend any other event held out-side of the actual general session.

## **General Business Meeting**

The general business meeting will be held on Friday, June 21st from Noon – 1:00 pm. (This will be a working luncheon). This meeting is open to coroners who have paid their membership for 2024. Each county coroner with a paid membership shall have one vote in the general business meeting.

## **Comedian, Kirk Bogos**

ISCA & Exhibitors will host comedian, Kirk Bogos, along with sponsoring the Gathering Room. Kirk grew up on the streets of South Philadelphia which is where the roots of his comedy come from. Kirk spins the quite simple things that happen to us every day from a cock-eyed point of view. Still a card-carrying member of the Psychedelic 60's, he finds himself three divorces and four marriages later on the other side of the generation gap. According to Kirk, "All you have to do is pay attention. If you do the funny shit in life will walk right up to you and smack you in the face." With a finely dulled wit, having survived the 60's & 70's and a side-trip to South-east Asia to deal with a little skirmish going on there, for over 20 years, this Cleveland comedy veteran has been making people laugh from coast to coast at comedy clubs, theaters, and scores of corporate and private events.

He's worked with some of the country's top touring comedians. He's appeared on the CW Network and one hour and forty minutes into the blockbuster *The Avengers*, he was "Man getting out of bus." Kirk was one of the winners of the World Series of Comedy in Boston and moved on to *The Main Event* in Las Vegas where he made it to the semi-finals. Kirk contends that it's easy to be funny when you made it through the 60's and 70's with your brain intact, did all the drugs you were supposed to do, been fired by President Ronald Reagan when he was an Air Traffic Controller and actually owns a copy of "Leonard Nemo's Greatest Hits." All he needs is a microphone, a stage, and a few people to laugh at him.

## **Awards**

The Jeff Stout Service of Excellence Awards and Dr. David Dennis Scholarship Awards will be announced Thursday, June 20th during the ceremony awards at 2:15 pm.

### **Exhibitor Door Prizes**

The exhibitors will be in the Ballroom and Foyer during the general session. We encourage you to visit the exhibitors throughout the days. Door Prizes will be given away during the awards ceremony on Thursday, June 20th. \*You must be in attendance to win.

### **Brain Bucket Bingo**

Do not forget your dollar bills! Bring your dollar bills and win daily door prizes donated by the Indiana State Coroners Association Board of Directors, Exhibitors, Coroners and Deputy Coroners. You are welcome to bring prizes to be given away by you and your county. All proceeds will be donated to the Dr. David Dennis Scholarship fund. \*You must be in the room to win.

### **Sheraton Restaurant**

The Sheraton Hotel will honor a 20% off discount for any meal in the Keystone restaurant and lounge. This does not include specials or alcohol. To receive the discount, tell the server they are with the coroners group.

### **Educational Hours**

Medicolegal Death Investigators – This conference is approved by the Coroners Training Board for 18 hours for the full conference.

Law Enforcement – This conference is approved by the Coroners Training Board for 18 hours for the full conference.

EMS/Paramedic – This conference is approved by the Indiana Department of Homeland Security for 16 hours for the full conference.

## **Faculty**

**Tony Ciriello, MDI** is retired after a 34-year career in law enforcement, most recently serving as Chief of Police for the Syracuse Police Department. Ciriello started his law enforcement career as an arson investigator for the State of Indiana before joining the Kosciusko County Sheriff's Department where he served in numerous capacities during his tenure there. Those capacities were patrol officer, supervisor, detective, narcotics officer, D.A.R.E. officer and field training officer.

In addition to his law enforcement career, Ciriello holds a certification as a Medicolegal Death Investigator, is also a Center for Disease Control Certified Infant Death Investigator/Instructor. For the last 25 years Ciriello has served as the Director of Training and Education for the Indiana State Coroners Training Board and for 24 years had been a Deputy Coroner and served as the elected Coroner in Kosciusko County for 8 years. He is currently a deputy coroner in Marshall County and serves on the Kosciusko County Council.

Ciriello is a family care specialist for Mishler Funeral Home and Cremation Center in Milford as well as the Vice-President of Sales for Heritage Monument Company. He holds an Indiana Insurance License in Life Insurance and assists families with funeral pre-planning.

In addition to those activities, he is the Past-President of the Indiana Association of Chiefs of Police and Past-President of the Warsaw Breakfast Optimist Club. Ciriello is a graduate of the Kosciusko Leadership Academy and the Indiana Police Executive Leadership Academy. He serves on numerous local boards and civic organizations.

Ciriello is the recipient of the Excellence in Government Award from the Syracuse/Wawasee Chamber of Commerce, two times Leaders Award from the Indiana Police Executive Leadership Academy and was awarded the William Sudbury Memorial Leadership Award from the Indiana Association of Chiefs of Police. He was honored in 2015 with a Sagamore of the Wabash by Governor Pence. He received the 2020 Government Excellence Award from the Kosciusko Chamber of Commerce.

**Jeff Jellison, MDI** has served as the elected coroner of Hamilton County since 2023, he had served as a deputy coroner from 2015 until his election. Prior to the coroner's office Jeff spent his career as a law enforcement officer with the Noblesville and Carmel Police Departments. After leaving law enforcement he worked in the private sector specializing in Sports Management. In 2012 he founded and published the Hamilton County Reporter Newspaper.

Jeff earned a degree from Ball State University, graduated from the Indiana Law Enforcement Academy, and has also completed course studies with I.U. School of Medicine Department of Toxicology, I.U. Death Investigation School, Northwestern University Vehicular Homicide School, and the F.B.I Child Molestation

Training. He lives in Westfield with his wife and is the father of two adult children, two adult stepchildren and three grandchildren.

**Mervin Miller, MDI** has been with the Elkhart County Coroner's Office since 2013 where he obtained his certification as a Medicolegal Death Investigator through the State of Indiana. In April of 2021 Merv was elected to the position of coroner at a Republican Caucus to fulfill the remainder of the term vacated by the resignation of Mr. Elliott. Merv is an active member of the Elkhart County Child Fatality Review Team, the Elkhart County suicide prevention board as well as serving on the Elkhart General Hospital donor council board. Merv helped to initiate the Elkhart County L.O.S.S. (Local Outreach to Suicide Survivors) Team. Merv provides educational seminars to first responders and the public on the roles and responsibilities of the coroner.

**Cyndi Dykes, MDI** serves as the elected coroner in Porter County where she earned her certification as a Medicolegal Death Investigator through the State of Indiana. Cyndi is a certified Histology Technician with the American Society of Clinical Pathology. She has over 25 years of experience working in the Pathology Department of the hospital. A 52-year resident of Valparaiso she has been married to her husband for 40 years and has three adult children and 2 grandchildren. Not only does she serve as the coroner in Porter County she also assists her husband at his locally owned funeral home.

**Jeremy McKim, MDI** serves as the elected coroner in Harrison County and previously served as a deputy coroner. Jeremy spent his career in the fire service retiring in 2017 after 23 years. During his time in the fire service, he obtained

the rank of Assistant Chief and served in many other capacities. He currently serves as the Harrison County Hospital E.M.S. Director and has also been a Flight Paramedic for Air Methods Corporation.

He is an active Reserve Deputy for the Harrison County Sheriff's Department and is the reserve coordinator. He had previously served as a Tactical Paramedic for the Southeast Indiana Regional SWAT Team as well as the Harrison County Sheriff's Department Emergency Response Team. He is a graduate of the University of Louisville Southern Police Institute Homicide Investigation Program. Jeremy and his wife have two children and seven grandchildren.

**Jo Catania** is an enthusiastic and creative educator with over 23 years of investigation experience. She has a master's degree in public administration from Grand Valley State University. Jo is the former Chief Medical Examiner Investigator for WMU Homer Stryker M.D. School of Medicine in Kalamazoo, Michigan. She draws from her 15 years of law enforcement experience and 13 years as a death scene investigator to develop trailblazing and engaging curriculum and courseware. Jo enthusiastically provides innovative standardized training for medicolegal death investigators, Law Enforcement, Child Protective Service Professionals, and Coroners in various states. Her expertise was requested in the production of a national child death investigation training video produced by the National Center for Fatality Review and Prevention. She is currently a training subcommittee member for the Governor's Task Force Child Death Protocol Committee. She is also a registered Diplomat with the American Board of Medicolegal Death Investigators, the Affiliate President of the Michigan Association of Medical Examiners and recognized by IADLEST as a Nationally Certified Instructor. Currently, Jo is employed as a Human Resources Developer with the Michigan Commission on Law Enforcement Standards. She is responsible for program evaluation, implementation planning, and curriculum development for police officers throughout Michigan. Additionally, she is the CEO of Catania Training & Development, LLC. In her spare time, she is a serial hobbyist.

**Barbara Butcher** is an expert in medicolegal death investigation and currently a consultant in forensic investigation, collaborating with forensic pathologists, educators, television, and mystery writers.

She is the former Chief of Staff and Director of the Forensic Sciences Training Program at the NYC Office of Chief Medical Examiner, where she was responsible for Investigations, Disaster Planning, Identifications, Evidence, and Missing Persons. She oversaw the remains recovery effort at the World Trade Center after 9/11 and helped manage the response to the crash of Flight 587 and investigated the 1993 bombing of the World Trade Center.

Barbara has worked internationally, consulting for the World Health Organization and responding to the 2004 Tsunami in Thailand, the London Underground bombing, and assisted in disaster planning for the Hong Kong and Norwegian governments.

As a medicolegal death investigator at OCME, she investigated more than 5500 death scenes and 680 homicides. Her book "What the Dead Know" covering some of her most interesting cases, was published in 2023 by Simon and Schuster.

**Steve Ainsworth** was a Law Enforcement Officer from June 13, 1977, through May 26, 2021, working in patrol as well as Investigative assignments, including the Special Investigations Unit (SIU), with the last twenty-five in Major Crimes against Persons/Homicide.

He attended St. Louis University Medical School Medicolegal Death Investigation Basic and Masters' courses, along with over 1,000 hours of death investigation related training. He has been a trainer at the Colorado Coroner's Association Conference twice a year since 1994 and a trainer several times at Wyoming Coroners' Association conference.

He has been a Death Investigation trainer for over 100 different agencies over his career. He investigated or consulted on over 2,400 deaths of all causes and manners and is recognized in district court as an expert in death investigation.

He and his wife Bethene, have five children and one grandchild and live in Northern Colorado, where he works part time as a consultant and law enforcement liaison with Othram Laboratory.



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# R.A.D SELF-DEFENSE CLASS FOR WOMEN

The Rape Aggression Defense System is a program of realistic self-defense tactics and techniques for women. The R.A.D. System is a comprehensive, women-only course that begins with awareness, prevention, risk reduction and risk avoidance, while progressing on to the basics of hands-on defense training. R.A.D. is not a Martial Arts program. Our courses are taught by nationally certified R.A.D. Instructors and provide each student with a workbook/reference manual. This manual outlines the entire Physical Defense Program for reference and continuous personal growth, and is the key to our free lifetime return and practice policy for R.A.D. graduates.

Minimum age is 13 years old.

**DATE: JUNE 20 - 21, 2024**  
**TIME: 9AM - 4PM**  
**LOCATION: SHERATON HOTEL**  
**8787 KEYSTONE CROSSING**  
**INDIANAPOLIS, IN 46240**

**THIS IS A 12 HOUR PROGRAM AND ATTENDANCE IS REQUIRED FOR BOTH SESSIONS**



<https://elweb.app/uthxqnn>

Once you pay and register on this site, please email Instructor Amanda Deckard at [awdeckard@lafayette.in.gov](mailto:awdeckard@lafayette.in.gov) for further instructions and information

## **IN State Coroners Association**

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### **From Interstate 69 (North)**

Take Interstate 465 West to Exit 33. Proceed south to the next Exit (86th Street). Turn left on 86th Street and turn left at the second light. The hotel is located behind the mall on the right.

### **From Interstate 65 (South)**

Take Interstate 465 East to Interstate 465 North. Follow I-465 North to Keystone Avenue (Exit 33). Turn left and go under the road. Take the 86th Street Exit and turn left at the light. Turn left again at the second light. The hotel is located behind the mall on the right.

### **From East**

Take Interstate 74 or Interstate 70 to Interstate 465 North. Continue on I-465 North to Keystone Avenue (Exit 33). Turn left and go under the road. Take the 86th Street Exit and turn left at the light. Turn left again at the second light, the hotel is located behind the mall on the right.

### **From Interstate 31 (North)**

Take Interstate 31 North to Interstate 465 East. Continue on I-465 East to Exit 33. Proceed south to the next Exit (86th Street). Turn left on 86th Street and turn left at the second light. The hotel is located behind the mall on the right.

### **From Indianapolis International Airport (West)**

Take Interstate 70 West to Interstate 74 West. Continue on I-74 West to Interstate 465 North. Proceed on I-465 North to Interstate 465 East to Keystone Avenue (Exit 33). Turn right and continue to the next exit (86th Street). Turn left at the second light. The hotel is located behind the mall on the right.

### **From Interstate 65 (North)**

Take Interstate 865 East to Interstate 465 East. Continue on I-465 East to Exit 33. Proceed South to the next Exit (86th Street). Turn left on 86th Street and turn left at the second light. The hotel is located behind the mall on the right.

