Mexican Drug Underworld

Course Description: Drug and human traffickers, gang members and others involve the spiritual world in their trade for protection from law enforcement. This intensive course will include information on various legitimate and illegitimate saints and icons used by criminals.

Mexican Cartels and Gangs often are in possession of items related to the “Patron Saints”. Although these items are not probable cause for search or arrest, this course serves to educate and alert law enforcement officials as to their significance, thereby enhancing officer safety. The presence of drug saints, spirits, images, icons, statues, etc. may be overlooked by law enforcement. This course serves to educate and alert law enforcement officials to their significance, thereby enhancing officer safety. Robert has testified in State and Federal Court on drug trafficking and murder cases involving various icons being used by drug traffickers.

This unique course is extremely beneficial to law enforcement officers, correction officers, probation and parole officers, and crime analysts in all parts of the country who may encounter images, icons, statutes, and other items during or pursuant to an investigation.

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