

# Solving Arson Crimes

## DATE & TIME

Monday, April 21, 2025  
8:30 am to 4:30 pm

## LOCATION

LA HIDTA (Garden Level)  
5801 East Slauson Ave.,  
Commerce, CA 90040

## REGISTRATION

\$120.00 per student



## COURSE DESCRIPTION:

Arson crimes are said to be the most difficult to prove and prosecute. That statement is only partially true. Law enforcement must be involved in these investigations for successful prosecution! This class will provide the tools necessary to launch the arson investigation toward a successful prosecution. What your DA needs to prove the case!

## WHO SHOULD ATTEND:

Patrol Officers and Detectives, also welcome are current and prospective Fire Department, and Law Enforcement Arson Investigators.

## TOPICS INCLUDE:

- Warrantless fire scene searches (Michigan V Tyler).
- Motives of arson fires
- Area of origin determination, common ignition sources and accelerant fuels
- Arson Penal codes, jury instructions for arson crimes, arson registration
- The fire department and law enforcement, solving arson crimes together!
- Available federal resources to assist in your arson investigation
- Fire investigation education resources
- Arson cases studies - search warrants

## REGISTRATION LINK:

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/solving-arson-crimes-tickets-1105997661779>



## COURSE INSTRUCTOR:

Retired Captain/Investigator Patrick Wills was the supervising Investigator of the Long Beach Fire/ATF Arson Unit in Los Angeles County. Testifying in superior and federal courts, the grand jury, and civil depositions on arson crimes, insurance fraud and homicides involving arson. Wills is a certified fire investigator, a fire service and POST instructor, and a current Reserve Deputy Sheriff in Southern California.