



**ELECTRONIC SURVEILLANCE (WIRETAP)  
STATE CERTIFICATION COURSE**  
(POST# 9260-22020-23039)  
**Thursday, March 21, 2024 (0800-1700 hours)**



The California Department of Justice, Advanced Training Center, will present this course at the Woodland Community Center 2001 East Street, Woodland, CA, 95776

**Course Description:** This 8-hour course is for peace officers, federal law enforcement officers and qualified individuals assigned to intercept and record wire communications ("wiretaps"). This class covers the legal basis for California wiretap operations as well as the practical and tactical aspects of operating and monitoring a wiretap. Penal Code Section 629.94 requires successful completion of this course before seeking authorization for, or participating in, wiretap operations.

**Who Should Attend:** Qualified individuals assigned to investigate narcotics, murder, solicitation to commit murder, gangs, bombing of public or private property, aggravated kidnapping, or conspiracy to commit any of those crimes, and who will be involved in a court-authorized state wiretap and those requiring 5-year State re-certification.

**Course Objectives:** Upon completion of this course and a written examination, students are certified by the Office of the Attorney General of the State of California to participate in wire intercept operations.

**Instructor:** Dale Kitching, Supervising Deputy District Attorney (ret.), has over 35 years of experience with the Sacramento County District Attorney's Office, which included 5 years as supervisor of the Career Criminal Unit and 18 years in the Major Narcotics Unit. Concurrent with his service in the DA's office he served as a Special Assistant United States Attorney for 20 years. He was also a Special Agent, Federal Bureau of Investigation (1977-1981). He is a past recipient of the California Narcotic Officers' Association Prosecutor of the Year award. Mr. Kitching is recognized throughout California for his expertise in electronic surveillance procedures and has provided instruction to thousands of law enforcement personnel on this subject.

**Pre-Registration is Required:** Only individuals pre-registered with CONFIRMATIONS and PHOTO LAW ENFORCEMENT ID will be admitted. To register for this class, please login to <https://atc.guiweb.com>. Please be advised that multiple "no-shows" to these classes may jeopardize future enrolment in ATC classes. **If you have any questions, please contact Tricia Nelson at (916) 210-4442 or [tricia.nelson@doj.ca.gov](mailto:tricia.nelson@doj.ca.gov)**

This is a POST Plan IV reimbursable course and is a free course for Officers/Agents from POST reimbursable agencies only. For Officers/Agents or linguists from non-POST reimbursable agencies, there is a tuition charge of \$69.00, payable at the door. Payment must be made by check or money order to POST.

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