

# COLD CASE HOMICIDE INVESTIGATIONS SEMINAR

REGISTRATION: <https://advancedpoliceconcepts.com>

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INSTRUCTOR: Jen Spears is currently a Special Agent with the Florida Department of Law Enforcement (FDLE), where she is assigned to the Violent Crimes Squad, investigating cold cases and homicides. Previously, Jen worked at the Seminole County Sheriff's Office in central Florida for 23 years, the majority of that time spent in criminal investigations serving in a variety of assignments. She has been working homicides and cold cases since 2005. Jen has collaborated with numerous agencies around the nation through her casework and has received several accolades for her accomplishments in cold case investigations. Jen also serves as a commissioner on the Florida Sheriff's Association Cold Case Advisory Commission, and she is the President of the Southeastern Homicide Investigators Association (SEHIA). Jen was selected to serve on the National Review Board for ViCAP as well as a board member for Project: Cold Case. She has a passion for organizing the best training available reaching the largest audience of law enforcement professionals possible.

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### COURSE DESCRIPTION:

Cold case homicide investigations are some of the most difficult and frustrating cases a detective will ever work, BUT they are also the most rewarding. This two-day seminar focuses on how to resurrect these cases and hopefully give the family some closure. ***There will be a major focus on forensic genealogy***

**COST: \$349 PER STUDENT**

### TOPICS INCLUDE:

- Which case should you choose?
- Re-examining old cases, what should you look for?
- Forensic technology changes that may affect your cold cases.
- Recontacting the family - what do you say?
- You got a DNA hit, now what?
- Forensic genealogy - what is it and can this work for our case?
- Re-interviewing witnesses after 5, 10, 20 years.
- How to administer a photo line-up after 20 years.
- Should I re-interview the original detective?
- Early mistakes that haunt a case and how to overcome them.
- There will be multiple case studies presented over the two-day course.



### LOCATION

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### DATES/TIMES

Monday-Tuesday,  
October 21-22,  
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0830-1700 Hours



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