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Tracking Evidence  
Use of Force  
Pre-Deployment Warnings  
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John M. Peters has been a trial attorney in the state and federal courts for more than forty years in the area of police litigation. He has participated in working dog sport and as a helper at police canine events. John serves as an author, instructor, and canine legal consultant to police agencies across the United States on incident review, policies and best practices.

## PUBLICATIONS:

### Does a K9's Alert Justify Probable Cause?

*(K-9 Cop Magazine, January / February 2013)*

### Elements of the Pre-Deployment Warning

*(K-9 Cop Magazine, April / May 2014)*

### EOD Canines Under the 4th Amendment

*(Police K-9 Magazine, September / October 2015)*

### Hear No Evil

*(K-9 Cop Magazine, June / July 2017)*

### Rules for Vehicle Occupant Searches

*(Police K-9 Magazine, September / October 2017)*

### Roadside Reward & K9 Reliability

*(Working Dog Magazine, January / February 2018)*

### Bite Ratio: What It Is and How It Affects You

*(K-9 Cop Magazine, October / November 2018)*

### Altered State: Colorado and The McKnight Decision

*(Police K-9 Magazine, September / October 2019)*

### K9 Indication - What Do The Courts Require?

*(Police K-9 Magazine, January / February 2020)*

### Is a Warning Required When Tracking?

*(Police K-9 Magazine, January / February 2021)*

### K9 Sniffs of Vehicle Occupants During Traffic Stops

*(K-9 Cop Magazine, January / Issue 66)*

### Unintended Vehicle Entries by Your K9

*(K-9 Cop Magazine, September 2022)*

### K9 Records in Court: What Do You Have to Produce?

*(Police K9 Magazine, Issue 92 - 2024)*



## GUEST INSTRUCTOR FOR:

American Police Canine Association

Denver Police K9 Unit

Maine State Police K9 Unit

Miami Police K9 Unit

Michigan State Police K9 Unit

National Association of Professional  
Canine Handlers

Ohio Law Enforcement Canine Association

United States Police Canine Association

Washington State Police Canine Association

## LEGAL EDITOR FOR:

K9 Cop Magazine

Police K9 Magazine

## COURTS ADMITTED TO:

State of Michigan Circuit Courts

Michigan Court of Appeals

Michigan Supreme Court

U.S. District Courts for

Michigan and Wisconsin

U.S. Court of Appeals for the 6th Circuit

U.S. Court of Appeals for the 4th Circuit

## WHAT OTHERS ARE SAYING ABOUT JOHN'S K9 LEGAL SEMINARS

**"One word describes the class, 'Outstanding.'"**

- M. Matsik,  
Geauga County (Ohio) Sheriff's Office K9

**"Spot On! Best legal informative class I've ever had"**

- T. True,  
Nashville (Indiana) Police Department K9

**"This class is essential! Absolutely the best course taken during the conference. Thank you!"**

- N. Chaffey,  
Wicomico County (Maryland) Sheriff's Office K9

**"Great instruction. Really helped as a supervisor without K9 experience."**

- Lieutenant T. Pine,  
Denver Police K9

**"Everyone from the top to the bottom should take this class."**

- Marcos Diaz,  
Florida Highway Patrol K9

**"Exceptional training...applicable to all of us. One of the best courses at the conference."**

- T. Willinger,  
St. George (UT) Police K9

**"One of, if not the best, training days I've had in six years with civilian law enforcement. Great job!"**

- Trooper Matt Williams,  
Maine State Police K9 Unit

**"Absolutely fantastic class. Thank you for taking the time to answer every question asked."**

- S. Blair,  
Rutherford County TN Sheriff's Office K9

**"The knowledge you share is fantastic."**

- Lt. S. Martinez,  
San Joaquin County CA Sheriff's Office K9

**"Great class. Loved the up-to-date legal information presented clearly and in an organized manner."**

- S. Clark,  
North Dakota Highway Patrol K9