

John Combs - Consultant, Trainer & Educator

John Combs served as a full-time police officer from 1987-1999. Following this, he served with the NC Department of Justice/Justice Academy from August of 1999 until his retirement in May of 2016 as the Program Director and Chief Instructor for the Subject Control/Arrest Techniques and Physical Fitness Instructor Training Programs. He also served as the School Director for the Police Corps/Basic Law Enforcement Training program. John is a reserve Deputy Sheriff with the Sampson County Sheriff's Office and also works as a Police Officer for the NC Special Police in Fayetteville, NC and has been employed in law enforcement for over 30 years. John holds a B.A. in Sociology from Pfeiffer University and graduate degrees in Public Administration (UNC-Charlotte) and Health Education & Promotion (East Carolina).

In addition, John holds numerous specialized instructor certifications from the NC Department of Justice to include Physical Fitness, Subject Control, Firearms, Explosives & HAZMAT, Rapid Deployment, and 1st Responder as well as many supplementary instructor certifications and training schools in these areas. John has been training law enforcement and detention officers in specialized topic areas for over 24 years and has been instructing at the university level since 2001. He has been accepted as an expert witness in both state and federal court systems in the areas of use of force, physical fitness, training, and arrest/search & investigations. John has published several articles in these areas, and has presented training to public safety personnel at the local, state, national, and international levels.

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