

## **Justin D. Ethers**

### **Instructor and Trainer**

Justin Ethers has served in law enforcement since 2004. Justin is currently a Lieutenant with the Cleveland County Sheriff's Office Administrative Training and Personnel Division. Justin also holds a position with Cleveland Community College as an Adjunct Instructor for the law enforcement curriculums. Justin has worked in numerous divisions within the law enforcement field such as Patrol, K-9 Handler, Street Crimes, Interdiction, Detention, Criminal Investigations, Patrol Sergeant, Administrative Training Sergeant, K-9 Sergeant, FTO Sergeant, FTO Coordinator, Administrative Training Lieutenant, Firearms Instructor, Range Master, SERT team Operator, SERT team Leader, and SERT team Commander.

Justin is a general instructor through the NC Department of Justice/Justice Academy. He also holds specialized instructor certifications in Subject Control/Arrest Techniques, Physical Fitness, Specialized Firearms, and Rapid Deployment through the Justice Academy. Justin holds additional instructor certifications in the following fields: Simunition Scenario Instructor, Taser Instructor, Use of Force Instructor, Patrol Rifle Instructor, RDS Optics Instructor, Krav Maga Instructor, CPR/BLS Instructor, Instinctive Hand to Hand Instructor, ALERT Instructor, ALICE Civilian Response to Active Attacks Instructor, Verbal De-escalation Instructor, Stop the Bleed Instructor, DOCC Instructor, and Firearms Simulator Instructor. Justin is nationally certified through Force Science as an analyst on use of force incidents and de-escalation techniques. Justin is an armorer for Glock and the AR-15 platform rifles. Justin is a notary of public. Justin holds the rank of 7<sup>th</sup> degree Black Belt in the World Combative Arts System of Self-defense. This system contains skills and techniques taken from numerous styles of fighting systems through-out the world, which was created by Grand Master Robert W. Eng III (PhD, ThD, EdD). Justin also holds the rank of Master Martial Arts Instructor. Justin has been the Chief Instructor at Eng School of Self-Defense in Kings Mountain, NC as well as the lead defensive tactics instructor at Cleveland County Sheriff's Office and Cleveland Community College.

Justin holds an AAS in Civil Engineering Technology from Gaston College. A Bachelors of Science in Criminal Justice from Ashworth College. A Master of Arts in Christian Business from Jacksonville Theological Seminary. Justin is currently enrolled in the Doctoral program for Christian Counseling through JTS.

Justin is working on several leadership programs and certifications. Justin has completed the NCJA Leadership Institute (formally NCJA Management Development Program). Justin has completed the 500-hour Credible Leadership

from Wake Technical College. Justin completed the FBI LEEDA program Trilogy certificate. Justin has over 4300 hours of law enforcement training hours.