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Michael Brave also serves as Director, CEW Legal for Axon Enterprise, Inc. (also as a certified Master TASER®Instructor; Person Most Knowledgeable; Director of the Scientific and Medical Advisory Group; Legal Advisor Member to the Scientific and Medical Advisory Board, and former member of the TASER Training Board. His experience includes involvement in a wide-range of comprehensive law enforcement and private security risk/liability and litigation management services including: training programs, policy development and review, liability/risk assessments, training appraisals, post critical incident analysis, etc. He has reviewed 400+ arrest-related deaths (ARDs), and has served as a litigation consultant or expert witness in 200+ cases involving state and federal civil rights issues, including; sudden unforeseeable and unexpected death; restraint asphyxia; restraint; handcuffing; law enforcement policy, training, supervision, discipline, retention, and termination; use of force (including deadly force, personal weapons, threat analysis, impact weapons, chemical weapons, electronic weapons, physical restraint, neck restraint, defensive tactics, etc.); vehicle operations (including pursuits, vehicle related deadly force, road blocks, emergency operations, occupant restraint, parking); failure to protect; failure to provide medical care, failure to act; etc.

As a certified, and nationally recognized, instructor in several facets of deadly force, many non-lethal, and less-than-lethal programs, several law enforcement vehicle operation programs, and others, Mike has presented 100s of law enforcement legal, risk, liability, or operational training and management programs across the country, and numerous internationally (United Kingdom, Mexico, Canada, Panama, and Austria). Mike is (since 1983) a certified Wisconsin law enforcement officer and was a Wisconsin certified law enforcement trainer in several (>20) subject areas. Additionally, he has served as a (part-time) police legal advisor, trainer, field training officer, and patrol captain.

Mike is the Legal Advisor and an Advisory Board member of the International Law Enforcement Educators and Trainers Association (ILEETA), is a former member of the Executive Board of American Society for Law Enforcement Training (ASLET).and has served on the National Advisory Boards of the Police Law Institute, the Jail Law Institute, and Defense Training International, Inc. He also served as an Executive Committee Member of the Legal Officers' Section of the IACP and is a former consultant to the Law Enforcement Legal Defense Manual. Mike has published over 90 articles and book chapters.

Mr. Brave is formerly the Chief of the Intelligence and Investigative Operations Unit, Office of Enforcement Operations (OEO), United States Department of Justice (DOJ), in Washington, D.C. In that position, he oversaw several highly sensitive law enforcement programs. Mr. Brave also held the concurrent position of Deputy Director for International Operations of the Federal Witness Security Program where he coordinated the foreign aspects of the Program, including a portion of Plan Colombia, for the DOJ official who oversaw the Program. Mr. Brave's other DOJ duties included: OEO Use-of-Force and Firearms Training Officer, Criminal Division Security Officer, and Division Watch Officer. Mr. Brave was also a Special Deputy United States Marshal and his National Security Information security clearance was above Top Secret.

Mr. Brave coauthored a paper that was presented and published in Brussels, Belgium, and also has papers published in international journals. He has served as a peer-reviewer for an international journal.