

# Mike Hehl

## Instructor Biography

Mike Hehl is a 21-year police veteran. During his career, Mike instructed several officers both as an FTO and as a state-certified tactics and firearms instructor. Mik has earned awards, including the Medal of Valor, Officer of the Year, and several Honorable Mentions. During thirteen of his career years, Mike served on several SWAT teams, including the regional South Suburban Emergency Response Team (S.S.E.R.T.). While with S.S.E.R.T., Mike served as Containment Officer, Containment Team Leader, Entry Operator, Entry Team Leader, State-certified Firearms Instructor, State-certified SWAT school instructor, Team Trainer, and Training Coordinator. Mike has achieved several awards including Excellence in firearms, Commander's Award of Excellence, and the Leadership Award. Mie is also a state-certified Room Entry/Clearing Instructor, among other instructorships. Mike has conducted several, safe scenario-based and live-fire training evolutions for both his department and his team.

Prior to become a police officer, Mike served 4 years as a United States Marine with an Infantry Line Unit, FMFPAC. Mike was tasked with the job of Platoon Sgt. (E-6) and Platoon Commander (O-1) positions as a Corporal (E-4). While serving, Mike was made the Chief Instructor of the Company Demonstration Squad. This squad taught Marines in his Company several disciplines including Military Operations in Urban Terrain (M.O.U.T.) training and Jungle warfare. Mike was honorably discharged, having meritoriously attained the rank of Corporal (E-4). Mike's awards include the Sea Service Deployment ribbon, Good Conduct medal, and the Navy Achievement award.

Mike is currently the CEO of Tactical Entry Concepts L.L. C. His company endeavors to bring Room Entry/Clearing skills to Police patrol personnel as first responders to critical incidents. Mike is also currently a part-time police officer with the Prairie State College Police Department.