

## **SALVATORE "T.J." ALIOTO**

### **Instructor Bio**

Salvatore "T.J." Alioto spent his entire law enforcement career with the Wauwatosa Police Department (WI). While with Wauwatosa, he served as a crash reconstructionist, crime scene technician, field training officer and department trainer. In 2006 he was promoted to the rank of Sergeant, and then to Lieutenant in 2015.

In 1999 he became a state certified firearms instructor, followed by vehicle contacts, emergency driving (EVOG), crash investigation, scene management, shoot house and physical evidence collection. In 2012 he became a Vehicle Contact Master Instructor for the State of Wisconsin.

T.J. has been an instructor and curriculum designer at his agency since 1999. In 2001 he began instructing in various law enforcement courses at the Milwaukee Area Technical College. Soon after, he became a lead police academy and in-service instructor.

T.J. has developed and presented curriculum on active shooters, stress, simulation training, vehicle contacts, teaching new generations of officers, professional communication and many others. In 2013 he developed and presented a statewide program on outlaw motorcycle gangs for the State of Wisconsin Department of Justice. In that same year, he was a guest presenter on behalf of 3M discussing automated license plate reader technology. In 2016, he was appointed by the Arizona Supreme Court as a member of the Judicial Staff Education Committee. This led to him presenting at the Arizona Court Association spring conference (2017) and the Arizona Defensive Driver Instructor conference (2017).

After his law enforcement career, T.J. moved to Arizona where he currently works for VirTra, Inc. as a law enforcement subject matter expert. VirTra provides realistic training simulators to law enforcement agencies around the world. T.J. uses his law enforcement training background to create immersive training scenarios that are used within the virtual training environment.

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