# AN OVERVIEW OF THE CRIMINAL PROCEDURE AND INVESTIGATIONS ACT 1996

#### **COURSE INFORMATION**

Those involved in criminal investigations may at some stage be required to undertake the role of disclosure officer. It is therefore necessary that individuals are equipped with the essential skills to review and manage unused material, whether it is non-sensitive, sensitive or highly sensitive. Too often failings in disclosure result in cases collapsing, miscarriages of justice or criticism from the courts. Even if an individual is not assigned the role of disclosure officer, it is important for them to understand the disclosure obligations.

## **AUDIENCE**

This course has been designed for all individuals responsible for conducting investigations or undertaking enforcement work. This course is particularly important for those individuals undertaking the role of disclosure officer. This course is also suitable for team leaders and managers who want to ensure that their teams are complying with their responsibilities when it comes to the review, scheduling and disclosure of unused material.

## **COURSE LENGTH AND DELIVERY METHODS**

The course is a half-day session and provides 3 CPD credits.

It can be delivered virtually or in-person.

### **COURSE OBJECTIVES**

By the end of this course, participants will be able to:

- Understand the roles and responsibilities of various individuals within criminal investigations.
- Know the purpose of disclosure.
- Understand the disclosure obligations as part of criminal investigations and proceedings.
- Effectively prepare the relevant schedules in respect of unused material.

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