## **Giving Evidence in Criminal Court Course**

## **COURSE INFORMATION:**

The thought of attending court can be a nerve-wracking experience especially for those who have never been to court before. But, with good preparation, understanding who people are, and what the process is, it doesn't have to be so scary.

It is important that officers involved in criminal investigations and enforcement work are confident in presenting evidence in



that can be gathered throughout an investigation, and how that evidence should be managed to ensure that the chain of continuity is maintained.

Failure to ensure that any evidence collected or generated during the course of a criminal investigation are correctly logged, and the audit trail of this evidence maintained can undermine the investigation process which may lead to a case being lost in court.

This course is a half-day course and has been designed to provide attendees with the opportunity to understand the court process and how to present credible evidence confidently. This course can be delivered both virtually and in person.

## AUDIENCE

This course has been designed for any individual who may be required to attend course to give evidence as part or a criminal investigation. This course is also suitable for those involved in supporting witnesses who may be required to attend court.

## LEARNING OBJECTIVES

- Understand the court layout.
- Understand the court procedures and processes.
- Understand the different roles of court staff, witnesses, the prosecution and the defence.
- Know how to confidently present evidence and respond to questioning.
- Understand the offence of contempt of court.



