# East Central Illinois Mobile Law Enforcement Training Team

MTU #13

## Course Announcement

## **Asset Forfeiture**

December 16th, 2024

0830-1630 Hrs

Denny Stewart Training Facility

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Mattoon, Il. 61938

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#### **Details:**

Sweeping changes were made to all of Illinois Asset Forfeiture statutes which will take effect July 1, 2018. Notice requirements, filing deadlines, proof of service, seizure thresholds, awarding of property, and burdens of proof have all changed, and a new reporting requirement has been added. These changes impact how officers need to investigate cases in the field and how prosecutors litigate cases in the courtroom. Law enforcement officers and prosecutors will need to change the way these cases are handled if Asset Forfeiture will be a component in any cases your agency investigates or prosecutes after July 1, 2018.

In part one of the course, we will review the changes in the new law as compared to the old law and we will discuss how to best implement the new statutory requirements and develop best practices to deal with the changes. In part two of the course, we will discuss techniques for developing the financial component of your investigations to uncover more assets to apply the new law to and also develop methods to make Asset Forfeiture and Money Laundering cases more winnable.

We will explore various facets of financial drug investigations, including money laundering, asset forfeiture, and uncovering financial leads. We will show how to uncover, locate, document and seize drug proceeds, and add money laundering and conspiracy charges to a drug investigation. Also discussed will be FINCEN (Financial Crimes Enforcement Network) information such as SAR's and CTR's (Suspicious Activity Reports and Currency Transaction Reports), obtaining records from credit bureaus, credit card companies, banks and car dealerships, and finding real estate records.

### **Observed Mandates Include:**

Civil Rights/

Law Updates/

**Procedural Justice** 

Constitutional and Proper Use of L/E Authority



**INSTRUCTOR:** Dant Foulk has been an Assistant State's Attorney in Will County Illinois for the past fifteen years. In his present assignment, he manages the Asset Forfeiture Unit, coordinates and vertically prosecutes cases in the Financial Crimes Unit and works as a lobbyist in Springfield, IL. Prior to his current assignment, Dant was assigned to the Felony Trial Division where he handled general felony trials including homicides, sex crimes, crimes against persons, financial crimes, and narcotics crimes.

As manager of the Asset Forfeiture Unit, Dant handles civil asset forfeiture proceedings and prosecutes criminal money laundering cases. In this capacity, he focuses on identifying, locating, seizing and forfeiting narcotics proceeds, proceeds of money laundering activities, and proceeds of other financial crimes. Dant's work in the Financial Crimes Unit includes coordinating the long term investigation of complex financial crimes and the financial component of narcotics crimes, reviewing and analyzing financial records, conducting Grand Jury investigations and prosecuting these cases. Typical criminal enterprises investigated include credit card fraud and check fraud rings, identity theft conspiracies, insurance and benefits fraud, narcotics organizations, streetgangs, and money laundering activities of any criminal enterprise. In his capacity as a lobbyist, Dant drafts legislation, analyzes and tracks pending bills, coordinates with other county, local and state agencies, negotiates bills, and persuades members of the legislature to advance the interests of law enforcement.



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