

# East Central Illinois Mobile Law Enforcement Training Team

**MTU #13**

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## Course Announcement

**Walking the Digital Beat– Practical Application and Use of Social Media in Criminal Investigations.**

**March 31st, 2020**

**0830-1630 hrs**

**MTU 13 Police Training Center**

**3121 Dewitt Avenue**

**Mattoon, Il.**

Submit enrollment to:  
Registration form at  
[www.mtu13.com](http://www.mtu13.com),  
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Or call 217-345-3344

Spend a day with a national expert to develop social media investigation protocol. Development of long term department policies and viable procedures for social media investigations is a monumental task. Our program leader has worked hand in hand with second largest prosecutor's office in the country to develop legal and practical social media procedures. We welcome you to draw upon his vast experience to "jump-start" this process for your agency! **Eighty (80%) percent of all investigations involve the use of social media; can your department and prosecutor's office legally afford not to have a standardized practices?**

### **From the Instructor-**

Today we have an online social community. So, let us all be "good cops," and let us interact and walk a digital beat so to speak, as we protect our online social communities.

I am not referring to using social media for public relations purposes, community outreach, emergency notifications or even recruitment and background checks on new hires and internal reviews. All valid uses of social media.

I am instead focusing on homicides and shootings, I am talking about sexual assaults, grooming, sexploitation, missing persons, fugitive apprehension, self-harm. In short, your bread and butter police investigations which are, coincidentally, the least understood and misapplied form of social media use in law enforcement today.

Meta data on images, geo location on phones and tablets, communications, networks, and criminal associates. Bank transactions and digital currencies to be traced and attached for forfeiture. Online market places dealing in narcotics, firearms and stolen merchandise. Just to name a few.

### **Observed Mandates Include:**

**Civil Rights**

**Procedural Justice**

**Constitutional and Proper Use of L/E Authority**

**Law Updates**

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About Your Instructor:

Neal McLoughlin is a supervisor with a major Midwest law enforcement agency. He has initiated and developed social media investigative units. Currently assigned as the coordinator of a multi-agency task force dedicated to online and mobile application data mining in support of investigations. He has a B.S., MBA, PSWA and achieved a C.F.E. designation in 2005 and is a member of several cyber crime/security associations. He is a founding member and current board member of the Association of Social Media & Online Investigators (ASMOI.org). He trains and consults exclusively with state and federal law enforcement agencies.



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