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# Section 1983 Civil Liability Seminar For Criminal Justice Practitioners

*The School of Law Enforcement  
and Justice Administration*



The continuation of civil litigation against criminal justice personnel requires ongoing updates given the number of cases that are regularly decided. The School of LEJA announces two (2) seminars which will address prevalent topics in civil liability for criminal justice practitioners. These seminars are the inaugural of an annual offering.

## **Session I: Criminal Justice Agency Administrators**

The first seminar is scheduled for **April 2-3, 2009** and will be held on WIU's Quad Cities campus in Moline, IL. This 2-day seminar is designed for criminal justice administrators. If you are a Chief of Police, Sheriff, Jail Administrator, Correctional Administrator, Mid-level Manager, and/or a Training Administrator, plan on attending.

### **Seminar Highlights**

Session I will address relevant U.S. Supreme Court decisions and their application by lower courts. Topics will include:

- The Fundamentals of Section 1983 Litigation
- Individual Immunities
- Theories of Liability
- Failure to Train and Supervise
- Policy Issues
- Trends in Litigation
- Federal Court's Philosophy
- Qualified Immunity
- Failure to Protect
- Plaintiff's Strategies
- Personnel Issues
- Use of Force
- Emergency Vehicle Operations
- Sudden Deaths in Custody
- Emergency Response Teams
- Sexual Harassment
- Officers as Plaintiffs
- Litigation Preparation
- Standards of Review
- Investigations
- Case Analysis
- Risk Management Strategies

## Session II: Criminal Justice Officers

Session II is designed for line level officers and is scheduled for May 18-19, 2009. It will also be held at WIU's Quad Cities campus.

### Seminar Highlights

Session II will address relevant U.S. Supreme Court decisions and their application by lower courts and topics include:

- The Fundamentals of Section 1983 Litigation
- U.S. Supreme Court's Decisions and Lower Court's Applications
- Individual Immunities
- Plaintiff's Strategies
- Officer Misconduct
- Report Preparation
- Use of Force / Equipment Liability
- Search and Seizure
- Emergency Vehicle Operations
- Failure to Protect
- Medical Care Issues
- Emergency Response Teams
- Litigation Preparation
- Standards of Review
- Custodial Deaths
- Trends in Litigation
- Case Analysis

### Presenters

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### Cost

The registration fee for each seminar is \$175 per person payable to Western Illinois University. Extensive handout materials will be provided.

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