

ILLINOIS HOMICIDE INVESTIGATORS ASSOCIATION

15TH Annual Training Conference October 14-16, 2025

The Westin Chicago Northwest Hotel
400 Park Boulevard
Itasca, IL



2025 ILHIA Annual Training Conference October 14-16, 2025

The primary goal of the Illinois Homicide Investigators Association (ILHIA) is to support law enforcement officers and prosecutors by providing professional training, leadership, and resources essential to solving homicide cases and criminal investigations. This Conference will provide attendees with main and breakout sessions that focus on some of the most crucial aspects of homicide and criminal investigations. Instructors from across the country with years of investigative experience will provide practical information for those assigned to investigate homicides, violent crimes and other criminal offenses.

ILHIA has planned optional events for Tuesday, October 14, starting with early registration at 4:00pm. A Tuesday evening session will begin promptly at 6:00 PM. This session will be available in person or over Zoom.

On Wednesday, October 15, registration will open at 7:00am. The Conference will kick off with Opening Ceremonies beginning at 9:00am, the ILHIA Awards presentation, and keynote speaker Christopher Carter. After lunch, we will have our main speaker (to be determined). ILHIA will host a networking event Wednesday evening.

Training will resume on Thursday, October 16 with Breakout Sessions held in the morning and afternoon, running simultaneously.

- Beneath the Badge Dave and Christi Dyke
- Detecting Deception Using Statement Analysis Mark McClish
- Investigation into the Murder of Seattle PD Officer Timothy Brenton Cloyd Steiger, Kelly Britt, John Castleton
- Two additional presentations to be posted soon

Information on the two additional presentations will be posted as soon as they are finalized. Classes/instructors may change. Updated class information will be posted on the ILHIA website.

The cost to attend the ILHIA Training Conference is \$295.00 for attendees registered by August 31. Please note: The registration fee will increase to \$345.00 for attendees registering on or after September 1.

No refunds will be issued after September 14; however, substitutions are allowed.

ILHIA will once again be using the Conference Tracker App for all conference matters.

In-Service Training Hours to be used toward re-certification for Lead Homicide
Investigators attending ILHIA conference courses have been applied for with the Illinois
Law Enforcement Training and Standards Board.

ILHIA Conference Schedule

Tuesday, October 14:

- Early Registration 4:00pm—6:00pm
- Presentation 6:00pm-7:30pm

Wednesday, October 15:

- Registration 7:00am—9:00am
- Opening Ceremony 9:00am—12:00pm
 ILHIA Awards
 Special Guest Appearance
- Lunch (Provided) 12:00pm—1:00pm
- Main Session 1:00pm—4:30pm
- Networking 5:00pm
- Vendor Exhibits

Thursday, October 16:

- Morning Breakout Sessions 8:30am—12:00pm
- Lunch (Provided) and Raffles 12:00pm—1:30pm
- Afternoon Breakout Sessions 1:30pm—5:00pm
- Vendor Exhibits
- Conference Close 5:00pm

Venue Information:

The Westin Chicago Northwest Hotel 400 Park Blvd. • Itasca, IL 60143

Hotel reservation information will be provided when it is available.

A limited number of rooms for ILHIA attendees and vendors have been set aside at the 2025 Fiscal Year Federal Per Diem rate (effective 10/1/25). When the block of rooms has been filled, regular hotel rates will apply.

ILHIA CONFERENCE REGISTRATION INFORMATION

Registration for the 2025 ILHIA Conference will be handled through Conference Tracker. The registration link will be provided when it is available.

Once all required fields are completed, as well as Billing Contact Information completed for those requiring an invoice, please click "Continue" for payment options. Be sure your information is entered correctly, as this is how it will appear on your name badge and certificate.

IMPORTANT: Each attendee must be registered under a separate email address.

Your confirmation and all conference notifications will be sent by Conference Tracker to the email address provided. If you do not receive a confirmation by email within seven (7) days of submitting your registration, please contact the ILHIA office.

For every ten (10) officers registered by a Department/Task Force, ILHIA will comp the next officer registered (11th) by that same Department/Task Force.

- If registering more than 10 attendees and paying by credit/debit card:

Please contact the ILHIA office prior to registering to obtain the discount coupon code to be used at time of payment.

- If registering more than 10 attendees and requiring an invoice for payment:

A discount coupon code is not required, and the appropriate comped registration(s) will be reflected on the prepared invoice. Be sure to complete the Billing Contact Information for each attendee that is to be included on the same invoice.

For those requiring an invoice, please be sure to include a copy of the invoice when sending payment. Please mail payments to: ILHIA, P.O. Box 251, Lemont, IL 60439

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This information can also be found on the ILIHA website: ILHIA.com