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Instructor Bio:

Matt Hardesty has been in law enforcement since 1987, with 25 years at the Seminole County Sheriff's Office. He currently holds the rank of lieutenant and Team Commander for the SWAT Team. He has over 25 years of tactical team experience and achieved his current position as the Team Commander through working his way through the ranks. Besides his SWAT duties, he is the Commander for the Sheriff's Office Domestic Security Division, managing the Counter Terrorism Unit, the Fugitive Apprehension Unit, the Crime Analyst Unit, the Offender Management Unit and the Technical Support Unit. He is currently one of the Eastern Directors for the National Tactical Officers Association, an instructor for NTOA, a graduate of the DEA Drug Unit Commander Academy and has a Bachelor of Science in Criminal Justice Administration.