

# DEFENSE INVESTIGATOR TRAINING ACADEMY

The Defense Investigators Association (DIA) is proud to present the next module of accredited training specifically designed for professional criminal defense investigators – DITA I!

The Defense Investigator Training Academy (DITA) program consists of four modules targeting specific areas of criminal defense investigations. Each module is comprised of thirty hours of classroom and laboratory instruction followed by a final exam.

Students must complete all four modules of training and pass rigorous written examinations in each module in order to complete the full course. Upon completion of all four modules, the student will receive accreditation as a Certified Criminal Defense Investigator (CCDI).

The program is sponsored and accredited by the California Defense Investigators Association. The instructor of record is Ron Weber, JD., Chief Investigator, Tulare County Office of the Public Defender.

## DITA I

### “INTRODUCTION TO DEFENSE INVESTIGATIONS”

- Evolution of Criminal Defense
- The Role of the Investigator
- Discovery
- Note Taking
- Interviewing
- Report Writing
- Testifying
- Court Room Techniques

Classes will be taught by subject matter experts – criminal defense attorneys and investigators. A faculty list is being finalized and will be posted on the DIA website: [www.cdia.org/dita](http://www.cdia.org/dita)

Students are required to physically attend every class and may not audit any portion of the program. Students may be required to complete pre-class reading, homework assignments, and other work deemed appropriate by faculty. Successful completion of the final examination is required. Specific course requirements will be sent to registered students prior to class.

## Venue

**DoubleTree by Hilton (Monday, Tuesday and Friday)**  
**988 Montebello Boulevard, Rosemead, CA 91770**

**United States Marshals Service Training Center (Wednesday and Thursday)**  
**1138 Saturn Street, Monterey Park, CA 91755**

*\*Free Parking along the street. Please DO NOT use the Marshals parking area as it is an active law enforcement facility and priority must be yielded to their personnel.*

We acknowledge and are very grateful to Justin Davis, Chief Inspector, U.S. Marshals Service and to Victor Alaniz, Training Coordinator, U.S. Marshals Service for generously sharing their state-of-the-art training facility with our group. We also thank Tony Perez, U.S. Marshal, Central District California, Retired, for facilitating this training location and his ongoing support of the DIA.

**Host Hotel:**

DoubleTree by Hilton  
888 Montebello Blvd., Rosemead, CA 91770  
(323) 722-8800

[www.LosAngelesRosemead.DoubleTree.com](http://www.LosAngelesRosemead.DoubleTree.com)

Group Name: DITA

Rates: \$160 single/double

Room rates include breakfast, free parking and free wi-fi

Program materials will be provided during class and students are required to bring a laptop and printing capabilities; i.e., paper, portable printer or flash-drive. Students **MUST** have the ability to print three copies of a report they generate during the course.

**Registration Information**

Pre-registration is required. Enrollment is not complete until full payment is received. The academy fee includes all classroom material and instruction, snacks and beverages, two lunches and one evening reception. The fee does not include lodging or travel expenses. The program is **limited to 50 students. Because of the interviewing and testifying simulations, no more students than 50 will be allowed to enroll. Enrollment will be handled on a first paid, first served basis.**

Students will be contacted by email with additional instructions and class schedule information. Instruction course content is subject to modification based on the needs of students and the availability of faculty.

The DITA committee looks forward to seeing you in Monterey Park/Rosemead.

*Attendance & Photography Notice: DIA events are restricted to DIA coordinators, instructors, staff, and paying attendees. Auditing or observation by any other parties is restricted. Attendance to DITA events is tracked and considered as part of final grade. By registering for this event you are giving permission for your image or likeness to used DIA public media. If you have any concerns please speak with a DIA Board member.*

## DITA I REGISTRATION FORM

March 23-27, 2020

Montebello, CA

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Job Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Employer: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_

Work Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Current DIA Member/Associate Member: YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_\_ UNSURE \_\_\_\_\_

**Each student must complete a separate registration form.**

### **Check Payments:**

Make check payable to DITA.

Mail check and registration form to:

**Leticia Macias, Supervising Investigator  
Los Angeles County Public Defender Office  
200 West Compton Blvd., Suite 800  
Compton, CA 90220**

### **Credit Cards:**

For single registrants- go to: [www.cdia.org/DITA](http://www.cdia.org/DITA) and follow the prompts.

For group registrations- scan and email all registration forms to: [ditastaff@gmail.com](mailto:ditastaff@gmail.com)

Upon receipt, you will be sent a payment link which will allow you to pay in one lump sum.

If you have issues with registration, please contact Ron Weber at (559) 636-4500 or email [ditastaff@gmail.com](mailto:ditastaff@gmail.com)

Academy Fee: **\$450 for DIA members, \$500 for non-members.**

Fee includes: Lunch for 2 days, one evening reception and snacks/beverages throughout event.

Space is limited to the first **50 paid registrants**. No walk-ins.

Registration is complete when full payment is received.

### **CANCELLATION POLICY:**

Cancellations must be made by email to Leticia Macias at: [lmacias@pubdef.lacounty.gov](mailto:lmacias@pubdef.lacounty.gov)

Cancellations are subject to a **30% cancellation fee**.

No refunds after **5:00 pm Monday, March 9, 2020**.

DITA I provides a minimum of thirty hours of classroom instruction, as well as hands-on practical exercises and a written final examination.