

Dennis Root



Dennis Root is a renowned law enforcement trainer and a nationally recognized expert witness who is asked to testify in cases involving the use of force and/or personal safety. He retired from the Martin County Sheriff's Office in April of 2011, after more than 21 years as a police officer. During his career, Dennis' duties included road patrol, traffic, detective, canine and he served as the agency's use of force specialist. He has served as the lead Defensive Tactics Instructor for three different law enforcement agencies and is the former lead Defensive Tactics Instructor for the Indian River Criminal Justice Training Institute, where he taught both basic and advanced training courses.

Dennis is the owner of Dennis Root & Associates, an expert consultant and private investigations firm. He specializes in cases involving the use of force by law enforcement and individuals, as well as conducting independent reviews of investigations conducted by law enforcement professional standards units, also known as internal affairs. Dennis' area of expertise has him working cases across the United States. One of his most recent cases had him serve as the use of force expert during the well-publicized George Zimmerman trial.

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