

Mitch Lucas

Corrections Expert Witness/Consultant

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CURRICULUM VITAE

Education

Technical College of the Lowcountry Associate’s degree – Criminal Justice	1988
Mountain State University Organizational Leadership	2010-2012

Related Experience

Employment

Charleston County Sheriff’s Office Assistant Sheriff Chief Deputy/Jail Administrator Major – Administrative Services Support Public Information Officer	1997-2021
Beaufort County Sheriff’s Office Lieutenant - Sheriff's Adjutant Training Sergeant Patrol Sergeant Patrol Corporal Patrol Deputy Sheriff	1983-1997

Additional Related Experience

American Jail Association

- Immediate Past President 2016-2017
- President 2015-2016
- Executive Committee 2010-2014
- Board of Directors 2008-2009
- As a member of the Legislative Committee, worked with the U.S. Department of Justice to create some of the final language of the Prison Rape Elimination Act.
- As a member of the Communications Committee, worked with the Federal Communications Commission to implement standards for inmate telephone calling services for local jails.
- As a board member, represented the American Jail Association in the Congress of Corrections of the American Correctional Association.
- Instructor – Various Jail Topics around the U.S.
- Presenter – Numerous Annual Conferences

American Correctional Association

- Member – Adult Local Detention Facility Committee
- Assessor – U.S. Army Jail, Camp Humphries, South Korea
- Presenter at Numerous Annual Conferences

National Institute of Corrections

- Instructor/Facilitator – Large Jail Network
- Consultant/Assessor – Local Jails
- Course Development Team Member – Large Jail Academy

National Sheriffs Association

- Member – Jails and Corrections Committee

Major County Sheriffs of America

- Member – Jail Intelligence Task Force

South Carolina Jail Administrators Association

- Instructor – Various Jail Topics
- Presenter – Numerous Annual Conferences

SHIELD Public Safety Training

- Advisory Board Member (Current)
- Faculty Member – Jail Related Topics

Americans for Effective Law Enforcement

- Faculty Member – Jail Related Topics

American Institute of Architects

- Justice Facility Review Jury Member 2012 and 2014

Vera Institute

- Safe Alternatives to Segregation Initiative Task Force Member
2015-2016

Publications

“Managing Risk: Recommendations for Safer Restraint Chair Practices”

(Co-author John G. Peters, Jr., Ph.D.)

Police and Security News, November/December 2025

Awards

President’s Award American Jail Association	2014
Jail Administrator of the Year South Carolina Jail Administrators Association	2012
Outstanding Alumni Award Technical College of the Lowcountry	1989
Law Enforcement Officer of the Year Exchange Club of Beaufort	1986

Recent Training/Education

- Use of Force Seminar- Americans for Effective Law Enforcement, May 2021
- Internal Affairs and Discipline – Americans for Effective Law Enforcement, September 2021
- Institute for the Prevention of In-Custody Deaths Conference, November 2021
- Use of Force Summit – Daigle Law Group, December 2021
- Use of Force Seminar – Americans for Effective Law Enforcement, May 2022

- Legal Issues in Corrections – ELSI Legal, September 2022
- Institute for the Prevention of In-Custody Deaths Conference, November 2022
- Use of Force Summit – Daigle Law Group, November 2022
- Jail Operational and Legal Issues Seminar – Americans for Effective Law Enforcement, January 2023 (Presenter)
- Use of Force Seminar – Americans for Effective Law Enforcement, May 2023
- American Jail Association Annual Conference and Jail Expo, May 2023
- Expert Witness Seminar – Americans for Effective Law Enforcement, August 2023
- Legal Issues in Corrections – Americans for Effective Law Enforcement, January 2024 (Presenter)
- Internal Affairs and Discipline – Americans for Effective Law Enforcement, November 2024
- Jail Operational and Legal Issues Seminar – Americans for Effective Law Enforcement, January 2025 (Presenter)
- American Jail Association Annual Conference and Jail Expo, May 2025
- Legal Issues in Corrections – Americans for Effective Law Enforcement, January 2026 (Presenter)
- Hot Topics in Jails – SHIELD Public Safety Training, January 2026 (Presenter)

Professional Associations

- American Jail Association (Lifetime Member)
- Institute for the Prevention of In-Custody Deaths (Charter Member)
- American Correctional Association
- Association of Force Investigators
- National Sheriffs Association