

Kevin R. Sheldahl, K-9 Services LLC

SUMMARY OF QUALIFICATIONS

Presenting an overview of the experience and qualifications pertaining to the training and handling of Police Service Dogs, and training of Police Service Dog Handlers and General Police Instruction.

Kevin Sheldahl is an Instructor of Police Service Dogs and Handlers. He is a Police Service Dog Teaching Judge (Psp/DPO/WPO Patrol, narcotics, explosives, human remains, Police S&R, Game Detection Dog, Tracking/Trailing, and SWAT) . He has been involved in the training of working dogs as both a hobby and professionally for 35 years. He has taught numerous handlers from agencies throughout the United States, Judged Certification and Competitive events, and been a guest speaker and instructor for various organizations. Kevin is a Master Instructor (NMDPS) for the above specialties.

Kevin has worked teaching military, and law enforcement in multiple countries to include Columbia, Germany, as well as US Naval Special Warfare, and USAF. He has selected police dog candidates for police departments for more than 35 years. Using modern understanding of canine behavior to evaluate their temperament and character. On the civilian side of training Kevin has been the training director for several Schutzhund Clubs, titled numerous dogs in sport, trained among the civilian KNPV Clubs, as well as been involved in French and Mondioring dog sports. Kevin has represented the United States at the International German Police Dog (WPO) Championships in 1998 and 1999. He has participated in the USCA Schutzhund III Championships on two occasions. Kevin and his K-9 partners were on three occasions the Rocky Mountain Great Plains Regional Champion (SchH3 x2, SchH 1 x1) Kevin also is a General Police Instructor, Defensive Tactics Instructor, and Less Lethal Instructor, as well as Use of Force Instructor. In his personal life he is a traditional martial artist attaining the rank of Godan (4th degree black belt) Shorin-ryu karate.

Kevin has instructed in the Tactical application of police service dogs in various venues throughout the U.S. He has taught and organized numerous advanced training programs for law enforcement and military K-9 handlers.

Kevin is a adjunct instructor at Utah Police Academy and is also a National Police Canine Association Certifying Official for Patrol and Detection. Kevin also teaches accredited New Mexico Department of Public Safety K-9 courses through K-9 Services. Kevin is also a SKIDDS Instructor through K-9 TacOps a nationally known K-9/SWAT training program.

WORK EXPERIENCE

Bernalillo County Sheriff's Department 3/1992 – 1/2014 K-9 Unit, Field Services Division K-9 from 10/92. Through 1/2014

General Police Instructor, Bernalillo County Regional State Academy

Proprietor of K-9 Services, a police service dog training service operated since 1989.

Presbyterian Hospital, Respiratory Care Practitioner 1985-1988, 1989-1992

Police K-9 Instructor Utah Police Academy (SWAT K9, Patrol, Detection) 2002-Present

Assistant Instructor at Vom Kaiserhofe's Training Center, Newton Kansas, a police dog training center fall 1988 through summer 1989.

EDUCATION & CERTIFICATES

Police Dog Teaching Judge, Life, Utah Post 2021

Police Dog Teaching Judge, Utah POST, June 2018

Graduate, Bernalillo County Sheriff's Academy, Feb. 1992

Graduate, Respiratory Therapist, University of Albuquerque 1986

Attended University of New Mexico 1978-1985

Graduate, Manzano High School Albuquerque New Mexico 1978

Police Service Dog Judge PsP 1,2,3,4,5, WPO DPO (2018) Utah Police Academy
12-2013 Defensive Tactics Instructor Renewal
3-2013 Certified Patrol Dog Urzo
5-2013,2012,2011 Certified Explosive Detector Dog Urzo 5-2013,2012,2011
General Police Instructor (renewal) 10-2012
Police Service Dog Judge PsP WPO DPO (renewal) 12-2011
Tactical Deployment Dog Judge (renewal) 5-2010
Crisis Negotiations, Albuquerque Police Academy 2-2009 NTOA Defensive
Tactics for Operators 9-2008
Service Dog Judge (PSP,WPO,DPO) Renewal 12-2006
NNDDA Explosives detector PSD Riko 4-2006
Tactical Deployment Dog Certification PSD Riko Utah POST 5-2006
NNDDA Patrol Dog certification PSD Riko 4-2006
SWAT Dog Judge, Utah Post Recert 5-2005
Tactical Deployment Dog Utah POST w/ PSD "Riko" 5-2005
Police K-9 Search Tactics, Albuquerque NM 5-2005
Tactical Tracking Operations II 4-2005 Santa Anna Police Dept. NM
NNDDA Certification PSD "CJ" Patrol/Narcotics 3-2005
NAPWDA Certification Patrol PSD "Riko" 3-2005 Less Lethal Instructor,
NTOA, Armor Holdings 9-2004 Human Remains Detection Course 40hours, FBI
Las Angeles CA 3-2004

COURSES & SEMINARS COMPLETED

Tactical Deployment Dog, Utah Post 4-2003

Urban Rifle, BCSO 8-2004

Curriculum Development NNSI, DOE, 12-2002

Service Dog Judge (PSP,DPO,WPO) Recert. 12-2002

K-9 Workshop, BCSO, 11-2002

Field Training Officer, BCSO 7-2002 Bernalillo County Sheriff's Department, NM

Tactical Deployment Dog, w/ PSD "CJ" Utah Post 5-2002

Rappel Master 3-2002 National Guard Albuquerque, New Mexico

Southwest K-9 Coalition, seminar and certification NNDDA, Patrol/Narcs,CNCA
Narcs, NAPWDA Narcs, Aggression Control Obedience,Building Search,and Area
Search. 2-2002, El Paso NM

Cadaver Dog Seminar 8-10,11,12,-2001 Rio Rancho DPS, New Mexico

Intermediate Force Instructor Certification, 7-2001 NNSI-CTA, U.S. dept. of
Energy

Star III, Phase II, BCSO 5,14-18,2001 Pepperball Course, BCSO, 4,19,2001

SWAT Dog Judge, Utah POST, 3/2001 Tactical Deployment Dog ("CJ") Utah
POST 3/2001

Gun Battle Sure PSD ("CJ") Utah POST 3/2001

DHI (PSP-1 variant) ("CJ") Utah POST 3/2001

Narcotics Certification NAPWDA 2/2001

Obedience, Building Search, Area Search, Article Search, Tracking Aggression
Control, K-9 "CJ" ,NAPWDA 2/2001

Interdiction, Consensual Encounters, DEA NMSP 2/2001 Advanced Highway

Drug Interdiction, Desert Snow 12/2000

SWAT/K-9 Team Fall Workshop Utah DPS/POST 9/2000 Tactical Deployment Dog ("CJ"), Utah Post 9/2000 Gun Battle Sure PSD ("CJ"), Utah Post 3/2000 SWAT Deployment Dog ("CJ"), Utah Post 3/2000

PSP-1 (DPO variant) with "CJ", Utah Post 3/2000

K-9 SWAT Interaction Deployment & Legal Issues, Dona Anna Sheriff's Dept. 12/99

Tactical Shotgun, Bernalillo County Sheriff's Dept. 8/99

Officer Survival, Bernalillo County Sheriff's Dept. 7/99

Narcotics Detector Certification NAPWDA 6/99

New Mexico Multi-Agency Training, Sante Fe NM 6/99

DH-1 Certificate (International Police Patrol Dog w/ "CJ") 5/99

Ground Control Instructor, U.S. Department of Energy Safeguards and Security CENTRAL TRAINING ACADEMY 2/99

DPOII, Utah Police Academy (w/ K-9 "CJ") 5/98 Field Interviewing, Bernalillo County Sheriff's Dept. 4/98

Basic Instructor Training, United States Department of Energy, Nonproliferation and National Security Institute, 12/98

Patrol Dog Judge Certification, Utah DPS/POST (renewal) 12/97

K9 Civil Liability and Case Law & Critical Incident Review, Bernalillo County Sheriff's Department K-9 Unit. 11/97

Obedience, Area Search, Building Search, and Aggression Control Certification ("Tell") NAPWDA 2/97 United States Congress on police Service Dogs Conference, Tucson AZ 4/97

Dignitary Protection, United States Secret Service, Bernalillo County Sheriff's Department. 12/95

Tracking & Tactical Situations K-9 Seminar, Barton & Stafford County Sheriff's

Departments KS. 5/95

Hazard Communications, Bernalillo County Sheriff's Department. 6/95

Decisional Shooting by TICAT. Rosewell NM 4/94

Highway Interdiction, United States Department of Justice, DEA & EPIC. 8/94

International Patrol Dog Judge (DPO-PSP-WPO) Certification Utah DPS/POST
9/93

DH1 (Patrol Dog) Certification ("Dolf") Utah DPS/POST, 9/93 Patrol Dog
Instructor (DPO/PSP/WPO) Utah DPS/POST 2/93

Judging, Instructional, & Training assignments

K-9 Workshop, 2020, Fall and Spring Brown County Wisconsin

K-9 Workshop, 2019, Fall and Spring Green Bay Wisconsin

National Police Canine Association National Conference 2019, Pitfalls in
Detection Training September 2019

WLECHA 2018 Working seminar, problem identification and solutions. October
2018.

National Police Canine Association National Conference 2018, Pitfalls in
Detection Training September 2018

China Working Dog Management Association, Shanghai. Instructor Selecting and
Training Detection Dogs. December 2017

Northern Georgia K-9 Coalition, use of Electronic Training Devices and Pitfalls in
Detection Training, November 2017.

WELECHA, 2017, Advanced Tactical use of K-9

Bogotá Colombia, September 2016/November 2016 Detection K-9 Selection and
review of International Training Program Fakatativa Colombia.

Use of compulsion and E-collar Albuquerque Police Dept. 12/2014

K-9 Workshop Brown County WI 11/2014

Basic K-9 Handler Course K-9 Services # 47 9/2014

K-9 Workshop Brown County WI 5/2014

Basic K-9 Handler Course K-9 Services # 46 3/2014

Lackland AFB, DoD Dog Training Center 8-2013

SKIDDS/CATS Wisconsin Dept Justice Brown County WI 10-2013

International Corrections K-9 Course, New Mexico Corrections Academy/U.S.
Department of State, 8 week course 7-2012

SKIDDS Lafayette County VA 10-2012 Canyon County ID, 12-2011 K-9
Workshop Green Bay WI 11-2011

Coordinating Instructor, Tactical Deployment Dog workshop National Police Dog
Foundation, Bernalillo County Sheriff's Department 7-2011

K-9 Workshop Green Bay WI 5-2011

Instructor Naval Special Warfare K-9/Forearms Course United States Shooting
Academy, Tulsa OK August/November 2012

Instructor, Bernalillo County Regional State Academy Defensive Tactics Course.
Class of 2011; 2-2011

Basic K-9 Handler Course 10-2010 K-9 Services

Instructor Naval Special Warfare K-9/Forearms Course United States Shooting
Academy, Tulsa OK 7-2010

Basic K-9 Handler Course 3-2010 K-9 Services

Instructor, Bernalillo County Regional State Academy Defensive Tactics Course.
Class of 2010; 2-2010

Instructor, Bernalillo County Regional State Academy Defensive Tactics Course.

Class of 2009; 7-09

K-9 Workshop Brown County WI 5-09 Invictus Tactical Seminar Presentation 2-09

Basic Handler Course, K-9 Services 3-09

Coordinating Judge, 3rd Annual Southwest Police Dog Championships, 12-08

K-9 Workshop, Green Bay WI 9-08

Basic Handler Course, K-9 Services 8-08

Bernalillo County Tactical Deployment Dog Workshop, Albuquerque New Mexico. 5-08 Coordinating Instructor.

K-9 Workshop, Green bay WI 5-08

Basic Handler K-9 Services 4-2008

Presiding Official Friends of New Mexico K-9 2nd Annual K-9 Competition 12-2007

Fall 2007 Police Service Dog Course 11-2007

Instructor, Defensive Tactics, Bernalillo County Sheriff's Dept. Regional State Academy Class of 2007; 7-09

K-9 Workshop Green Bay WI 4-2007

Invictus Tactical 2-2006 Instructor: Role of compulsion in service dog training.

K-9 Workshop Green Bay WI 12-2005

Heart of America Police Dog Association Annual Certifications Judge October 2005

United States Police Canine Association, National Training Seminar, Instructor, 2004 Maryland.

Workshop, Green Bay WI Instructor, 5-2005

S.K.I.D.D. School Instructor, April 5-9, 2004 Wilmington DE Workshop, Green Bay WI, November 2003 USA International Police Dog Championship Nov. 2003, Judge Instructor, Fall 2003 Patrol dog Course 260 Hours

United states Police Canine Association Region 3, SKIDDS/Tactical Seminar June 2003 Instructor

Judge, Utah Police Academy, PSP Certifications 12-2002

Coordinator, K-9 Workshop, BCSO 11-2002

Instructor, Fall Dual Purpose Course/Instructor Course 10-2002

Instructor, K-9 Seminar Stuttgart Germany, U.S. Army Kennels Europe, 8-2002

Instructor, K-9 Workshop, Green Bay WI, 6-2002

Instructor, K-9 Workshop, K-9 Crimestoppers, Connecticut 2002

Instructor, K-9 Workshop, Green Bay WI, 9-2001

K-9 Workshop, Eau Claire WI, 9-2001

Judge, Utah Police Dog Championships 3/2001

Las Cruces Police Department NM, Introduction of K-9 to Tactical Operations 2/2001

Burlington Northern Sante Fe Railroad Police, K-9 Handler Safety Tactics 11/2000

Green Bay Police Department, Wisconsin Biannual Workshop 1991 to Present

United States Schutzhund Clubs of America 1998 National Championship and International Police trial Judge

Dunn County Sheriff's Department Wisconsin 1998, 2000 West Bend Police Department, Wisconsin 2000 Eau Claire Police Department, Wisconsin 1999 Lincoln County Sheriff's Department, Wisconsin 1999 Walworth County Sheriff's Department 1998

Heart of America Police Dog Association Annual Seminar 1998

Wisconsin State Police Dog Handlers Association Annual Seminar 1998

Wakashau County Sheriff's Department May 1992 Spring Green Wisconsin Police Department, May 1991

Roswell New Mexico Summer 1990

Personnel Trained for the following Agencies

(note: this is a sample and not inclusive of all agencies)

Albuquerque Police Department NM (9) Gallup Police Department NM (7) Las Cruces Police Dept. NM (6) University of New Mexico Police Dept. NM (2) Lordsburg Police Dept. NM (2) Trinidad Police Dept. CO (1), Petersburg Police Dept. AK Silver City Police Dept. NM (3) Bernalillo County Sheriff's Dept. NM (22) Region I Drug Task Force NM (5) Walworth County Sheriff's Dept. WI (3) Brown County Sheriff's Dept. WI (10) Rio Rancho DPS (6) Green Bay Police Dept. WI (5) Oneida Police Dept. WI (4) Sommerset Police Dept. WI (1) Dunn County Sheriff's Dept. WI (2) Menomonie Tribal Police dept. WI (1) Marinette County Sheriff's Dept. WI (4) Montezuma County Sheriff's Dept. CO (2) Lincoln County Sheriff's Dept. WI (2) Eau Claire County Sheriff's Office (2) New Mexico Motor Transportation Division (1) Sheboygan Police Dept. WI (5) Spring Green Police Dept. WI (2) Western New Mexico Correctional Facility (6) Cibola County Sheriff's Department (2) Penitentiary of New Mexico (18) Rosewell Correctional Facility (2) City of Raton Police Department (1) Central New Mexico Correctional Facility (4) Quadaulpe County Correctional Facility (1) U.S. Forest Service, (3) Santa Fe Police Department NM (5) Tucumcari Police Department (3) McKinley County Sheriff's department NM (6) Wisconsin State Patrol (6) (2) West Bend Police Dept. WI (2) Mohave County AZ (7) Fitchberg Police Department WI (2) Sun Prairie Police Dept. WI (1) Wisconsin Rapids Police Department WI (2) Eau Claire Police Dept. WI (5) Altoona WI Police Department (1), Chippewa Falls WI (1), Fox Crossing WI (1), University of Wisconsin Oshkosh (3), United States Air Force (10). Appleton WI (4). Oshkosh WI (4). Curry County NM (1). Alamagordo NM (1). Sierra Vista AZ (3). Zuni Tribal Police (3). Santa Fe County Corrections (3). Neena Police, WI,

Publications & Productions

Law Officer Magazine “Administrative Responsibilities To K-9”

Calibre Press “So you want to be a K-9 Handler”

Schutzhund USA, Police Dogs, The German Shepherd Dog as a Police Service Dog, March April 2000

Schutzhund USA, Police Dogs, What the Police Look for. November December 1999

Leerburg Video Productions; Police Service Dogs, Bark & Hold for Police Service Dogs, Muzzle Fighting for Police Service Dogs, Tactical Training with Police Service Dogs, Training The Building Search to Police Service Dogs, Training the First Steps of Defense, Training the Police K-9 Decoy

Dog Sports Magazine, The Bark and Hold for Police Service Dogs April 1989

Leerburg Online University “Training the Police K-9 Decoy” 2018

Expert Witness Work & SME Assignments

USA V. Lamar Williams, USDC District of New Mexico Trial testimony. 01-1335 BB

Melvin Morgan et. Al vs. McKinley County, New Mexico No. CV-02-0226

Elizabeth and Charles Hatch, et al vs Deputy Sheriff Ken Grosinger, et al District

Court Case No.: 01-1906 rhk/ajb (Minnesota)

Brian J. Vicenzi Plaintiff, v. City of Green Bay (WI) et al. Case No. 08-CV-172

State vs Florencio Armijo NO.CR2018-01140 Second Judicial District Court,
County of Bernalillo, State of New Mexico

Raymond Roberts, Plaintiff v. Michael Hernandez, City of Albuquerque
Defendants Case No. 1:18-cv-00253-JAP-SCY

Palmer v. SMPD Sgt. Vega and Ofc. Green
USDC Case No. No. 2:16-CV-07780-JCB-J, Expert report. 9th Circuit

Salt Lake City SME, K-9 Policy and Procedures presentation SLCP
Administration. October 2021

Salt Lake City Attorney's Office, 2022, SME for professional standards review of
K-9 Deployments (multiple cases).