

Prevention Quarterly Meeting

August 4, 2022 Agenda

9:30 am Welcome

9:40 am Gang Recognition & Trends Trainer: Sergeant Brian Zwolak

Training Objectives

At the completion of this training, participants will be able to:

- 1. Discuss how LE documents gang's and their members.
- 2. Discuss gang recognition.
- 3. Discuss current gang trends in SC.

Trainer Bio

Brian Zwolak started his career at Columbia PD in 2007 after moving to Columbia from NY. While at Columbia PD, Brian worked as a patrolman and a Field Training Officer in the north Columbia area. Brian also worked as a North Region Property Crimes Investigator before being promoted and transferred to the Gang Unit. Brian was hired as an Instructor in 2015 by the SC Criminal Justice Academy. He assisted with Basic Law Enforcement and was the primary instructor for Gang Investigations and Gang Documentation training classes. In December 2016, Brian was hired by the Lexington County Sheriff's Department as a Gang Investigator. He is currently the Sergeant of the Crime Reduction Unit at the Sheriff's Department. This Unit is tasked with proactively investigating violent repeat offenders, firearm offenses, and gangs. The Unit is also responsible for the documentation of gangs and their members. Members of the Crime Reduction Unit also hold positions as Task Force Officers with the FBI and ATF.

Brian Zwolak has a Bachelor's and Master's Degree in Criminal Justice and owns Zwolak Training & Consulting, LLC. Through Zwolak Training & Consulting LLC, Brian conducts training and consulting related to gang trends and recognition throughout SC.

12:00 pm Lunch – on your own

1:15 pm Overview of Prevention DAODAS GMS System

3:00 pm Announcements, Evaluations, & Adjournment