

Welcome to the Songer Institute. My name is Dr. Michael Kane and I am a *professional professor*. By this title, I mean I am both a progenitor and propagator of the discipline of criminal justice. My entire professional and academic career has been in this discipline with primary focuses on policing, investigations, and forensic science. I have served in policing positions in three states, in corrections positions in two states, and in forensic positions, I was the former chief investigator for the medical examiner's office in West Virginia. I also served proudly in the United States Marines. I currently serve as a municipal court judge in West Virginia as well. I have been in university positions [both faculty and administration] in six states, and have been in academia fulltime since the turn of the last century. I hold a B.A. degree in Law Enforcement, a M.S. degree in Forensic Sciences, and a PhD degree in Criminal Justice.

I have published three books, *Forensic Death Investigation: A Practical Guide to the Medicolegal Investigation of Death*, *Research Paper Writing Guide for Criminal Justice and Forensic Investigation Scholars* and *Practical Ethics in Justice: The Wind That Blows The Grass*. These books are available through the Songer Institute at <http://songerinstitution.org/bookstore/>

I joined the **Songer Institute** in Spring 2011. I live in the rugged mountains of West Virginia, where my hobbies are bodybuilding, motorcycling, and Mongolian-style Archery. My private studies include ancient Asian warfare and philosophy, pursuing the hero motif of the *warrior-scholar*. I look forward to working with you for your academic needs.

# **Doctor Michael J. Kane** 武士道

## ***Formal Education***

**Doctor of Philosophy in Criminal Justice** [Ph.D.] Union Institute and University (Ohio)

**Master of Science in Forensic Science** [M.S.F.S.] National University (California)

**Bachelor of Arts in Law Enforcement** [B.A.] Pfeiffer University (North Carolina)

## ***Academic Employment***

### ***Current:***

**Songer Institute** (California). Director of Curriculum Development and On-line Instructor.

**West Virginia State University.** Professor (Full and Tenured) of Criminal Justice. Undergraduate and Graduate.

### ***Selected Past Appointments:***

**Drury University** (Missouri). Adjunct instructor of Criminal Justice. Undergraduate program.

**Bethel University** (Tennessee). On-line Facilitator in Criminal Justice graduate and undergraduate program.

**University of Science and Technology Beijing** (China). Cultural Ambassador and English Instructor. Summer 2015 & Summer 2016.

**University Of Charleston** (West Virginia). Graduate school Adjunct and Thesis Chair.

**Marymount College** (California). On-line facilitator of Forensic Investigations. Undergraduate program.

**Mountain State University** (West Virginia) Director of Justice Studies and Graduate Faculty Member. Masters of Criminal Justice Administration and undergraduate programs in Forensic Science and Criminal Justice.

**Austin Peay State University** (Tennessee) Program Manager: Police Science and Administration

**Northwestern State University** (Louisiana) Assistant Professor of Criminal Justice

**Pfeiffer University** (North Carolina) Assistant Professor of Criminal Justice

**West Virginia State University.** Adjunct Instructor of Criminal Justice

**Marshall University School of Medicine** (West Virginia) Adjunct -Forensic Science

**The Union Institute and University** (Ohio) Doctoral Committee Member

**Southern West Virginia Community and Technical College.** Adjunct-Criminal Justice-Criminalistics

**West Virginia University Institute of Technology.** Adjunct-Sociology and Political Science

**Park University** (California) Adjunct instructor of Criminal Justice

### ***Selected Professional Employment***

#### **Current Adjudication Positions:**

**Municipal Court Judge** (Gilbert, West Virginia).

#### **Past Adjudication Positions:**

**Putnam County Office of Prosecuting Attorney** (West Virginia) Doctoral Internship-Investigator .

#### **Past Policing/Investigations Positions:**

**Montgomery County Sheriff's Department** (Tennessee). (Reserve) Investigator (cold case).

**DeRidder Police Department** (Louisiana). Police Officer (Reserve) Patrolman  
**Office of the Chief Medical Examiner** (West Virginia). Chief of Operations, Chief Investigator, Medicolegal Investigator

**Charlotte Police Department** (North Carolina) Police Officer.

**Lincolnton Police Department** (North Carolina) Internship

#### **Past Corrections Positions:**

**West Virginia Division of Corrections.** Correctional Counselor II

**United States Marine Corps.** Military Police/Corrections Specialist

#### **Past Private Sector Positions:**

**North Louisiana Security Services** (Louisiana). Lieutenant-Armed/Certified Training Officer

**Mid-South Protections, INC.** (Louisiana) Security Officer.

**Shooters U.S.A.** (Louisiana) Clerk/Range Master/Firearms Instructor (Private Shooting Club)

**Pinkerton Security** (West Virginia) Security Officer

**Burns-Stegal Security** (North Carolina) Security Officer