



Abbotsford Police Department

Mission Statement: To make Abbotsford the safest city in BC

LETTER OF ENDORSEMENT

To Whom It May Concern,

I am writing this letter as a strong endorsement for the "Methods of Instruction" (MOI) course developed and delivered by Chris Butler and the team at Raptor Protection. As an officer in the Training Section of the Abbotsford Police Department, I have had the opportunity to attend and host the MOI course on multiple occasions. Below, I outline my experience with the course and the exceptional quality provided by Raptor Protection.

Course Delivery and Dates

- Attended: January 3 - January 7, 2022
- Hosted: September 19 - September 23, 2022
- Hosted: September 11 - September 15, 2023

Reliability of Raptor Protection

In all my interactions with Chris Butler and the Raptor Protection team, they have demonstrated exceptional reliability. Their communication with both hosts and students has been thorough and informative, ensuring that all parties are well-prepared before, during, and after the course. They have always been organized, punctual, and professional in every aspect of course delivery.

Credibility and Professionalism of the Instructors

The instructors from Raptor Protection are some of the most knowledgeable professionals I have encountered in law enforcement training. They possess an excellent ability to explain complex, technical concepts in a clear and understandable way, ensuring that students not only grasp the material but are able to implement it effectively. Their course content is consistently based on credible academic research, and the instructors themselves are well-versed in this research, adding depth to their instruction.

Quality of Course Content

Having attended over 60 courses during my career as a police officer, I can confidently say that the MOI course is one of the most beneficial I have attended. The concepts taught are applicable to a wide range of skills, including firearms training, use of force, and tactics. In my opinion, this course should be the foundational training for all law enforcement skills instructors. The material is relevant, practical, and can be implemented across numerous instructional domains.

Positive Impact on Our Instructors and Program Development

Prior to MOI, we were already proud of the curricula we had developed for our department. However, since attending the MOI course, we have updated nearly all of our training programs to align with the principles taught in the course. The result has been a noticeable improvement

in the retention and transfer of skills by our officers. These improvements are a direct result of incorporating the MOI methodology into our instructional approach.

In conclusion, I wholeheartedly endorse the "Methods of Instruction" course and the team at Raptor Protection. Their professionalism, knowledge, and the quality of their course material are of the highest standard. I believe that this course provides essential training for any law enforcement skills instructor.

Sincerely,



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