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Don't worry if you shoot an unarmed lady in the back, I'll be there for you.

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For years, to any observer of police brutality, the idea that officers were shooting people first and asking questions later was a foregone conclusion. Such a practice, while blatantly obvious, seemed too unethical, too harsh for police to ever admit. Well, here it is (http://www.nytimes.com/2015/08/02/us/training-officers-to-shoot-first-and-he-will-answer-questions-later.html). All of the proof we ever needed. Not only are American police, from coast to coast, shooting first and asking questions later, they are being trained to do so in seminars by a psychologist who openly promises them that he'll testify on their behalf if anything ever goes wrong. He's already done it nearly 200 times.

Meet Dr. William J. Lewinski.

No matter what the circumstances are in a police shooting, he's the guy departments lean on to say it was completely justified and unavoidable.

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His conclusions are consistent: The officer acted appropriately, even when shooting an unarmed person. Even when witness testimony, forensic evidence or video footage contradicts the officer's story.

He has appeared as an expert witness in criminal trials, civil cases and disciplinary hearings, and before grand juries, where such testimony is given in secret and goes unchallenged. In addition, his company, the Force Science Institute, has trained tens of thousands of police officers and has to walk off the beat about police shootings that might appear excessive.

It's actually big business. A quick scan of Dr. Lewinski's website (<http://www.forcescience.org>) has him teaching large workshops in Chicago, San Antonio, Orlando, and in other big cities across the country. Can't make it to his conferences, don't worry, he'll come to your department, and offer your officers a certificate on how they are basically allowed to shoot first and ask questions later. He charges \$1,000 an hour for his testimony and is, unsurprisingly, willing to testify for hours on end.

Hell, his whole company is named Force Science Institute—as in the use of force by police. This business is so lucrative that it's all he does. Experts are denouncing his work as phony and dangerous, but police departments could care less.

An editor for The American Journal of Psychology called his work "pseudoscience." The Justice Department denounced his findings as "lacking in both foundation and reliability." Civil rights lawyers say he is selling dangerous ideas.

"People die because of this stuff," said John Burton, a California lawyer who specializes in police misconduct cases. "When they give these cops a pass, it just ripples through the system."

This is why we say "Black Lives Matter."

Dr. Lewinski is basically training police to shoot before making a full assessment of the true threat. Because of this philosophy, it leans on the implicit bias within each and every officer. It's why officers in New York fired 41 shots at Amadou Diallo (https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Amadou_Diallo_shooting) when he was pulling out his wallet. It's why Officer Dante Servin blew Rekia Boyd's head off (<http://www.dailykos.com/story/2015/04/21/1379169/-Terrible-verdict-in-Chicago-proves-that-white-imagination-of-a-black-threat-easily-sets-cops-free>) when he saw her boyfriend pull out a cell phone.

It's why police officers killed 123 people in July (<http://killedbypolice.net>), a high for 2015.

It's despicable and the more it happens, the richer Dr. Lewinski gets. I had always suspected some type of profit motive was behind the wholesale killing of Americans by police. Now we don't need to speculate. After all, it's the job for the Force Science Institute to keep this practice growing.

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What to do about this? Thanks for the diary Shaun! I saw the article about this terrible human being as well.

Do you (or anyone else) have concrete suggestions for ways we can stop the rampant police killing of our citizens?

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Aug 03 · 10:37:35 AM (/comments/1408341/57132889#comment_57132889)

OCCUPY city/town hall meetings demand changes loudly.

Cities are the ones who actually tolerate this and let it go.

Cities are the ones who pay the fines and lawsuits: Cops don't pay a penny, are NEVER impacted by the consequences of their actions UNLESS there is video or, now, protests. Cops HATE cameras and they really hate protests.

Ergo: more camceras and more protests.

These fucking moneys have to cool their shit and return to doing their jobs as they are written on their job descriptions.

There will be ZERO substantive changes without a real fight.

We have asked politely too many times to keep being polite.

Fucking LEARN, people. There's a pattern here. Cities WANT cops killing and terrorizing people - this is why the cities don't lift a finger to do anything about it.

Bodycams won't help. They won't Stop clinging to technology to solve a human conduct issue. The cops CHEAT and LIE with these things and they don't save your life. They might allow an officer to get into trouble AFTER they kill and fuck you. But they won't prevent PIGGERY.

ARREST these motherfuckers and fucking try them and fucking jail them for decades ny the thousands.

They'll change then.

Not until.

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(/user/xxdr zombiexx) **xxdr zombiexx (/user/xxdr zombiexx) ▶ xxdr zombiexx**
Aug 03 · 10:43:28 AM (/comments/1408341/57132949#comment_57132949)
Remember, politeness has failed completely.

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Aug 03 · 11:02:15 AM (/comments/1408341/57133141#comment_57133141)

Frederick Douglass knew this, many years ago: "Power concedes nothing without a demand. It never did and it never will. Find out just what any people will quietly submit to and you have found out the exact measure of injustice and wrong which will be imposed upon them, and these will continue till they are resisted with either words or blows, or both. The limits of tyrants are prescribed by the endurance of those whom they oppress."
-Douglass, F.

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Aug 03 · 11:18:47 AM (/comments/1408341/57133299#comment_57133299)

Yeah, but he was an uppity black man that INSISTED on gettin educated and not knowing his place.

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Who beat the crap out of an overseer.

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1. Demand a citizen review board over police department.

2. Get yourself a seat on that board.

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Aug 03 · 09:38:54 PM (/comments/1408341

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3. Find out if your city's PD has hired "Dr" Lewinski or any Force Science-like organization.

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Woody (/user/Woody) ▶ 2thanks

Aug 03 · 11:22:49 PM (/comments/1408341

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and if so, Ask that the Chief of Police describe the lessons he learned from Dr. Lewinski and how he intends to apply them in the local department and upon the citizens the encounter.

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I was referring to Frederick Douglass.
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I never head that! Awesome!
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Power must be seized. It is never just turned over to the requester. It is never just surrendered.
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All we need to know about Law Enforcement. Power is a double-edged sword. Those who have it won't sharpen the edge of those who don't.
 Don't look to the cops for change - they are merely foot-soldiers.
 xxdr z is right about this one
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 Aug 04 · 12:22:11 AM (/comments/1408341/57141084#comment_57141084)
We have to look to ourselves, take it up with our counties, cities, states, and the nation. But start locally, because that's where the deaths are happening. Mere attitude or even great passion is not enough. It's going to take local political action above all.
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We're beyond politeness. NT
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You'll need an antidote for the pepper spray. They won't take kindly to people calling them into question.
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 Aug 03 · 11:20:56 AM (/comments/1408341/57133315#comment_57133315)

Our hair will get messed up when we rerally try to make essential changes.

Essential changes are directly prohibited because somebody wants shit just like it is.

We want to change this, so there will be a fight.

A really protected ugly fight, like we see in other countries who aren't going to take any more shit.

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(/user/Lily O Lady)

Lily O Lady (/user/Lily O Lady) ▶ xxdr zombiexx

Aug 03 · 12:00:21 PM (/comments/1408341/57133764#comment_57133764)

Cops need to be challenged, and protesters need to have what they need when cops do what cops do. Seriously. I've heard of different antidotes for pepper spray used by protesters. Hell, wear swim goggles if need be. Cops don't play fair, so why should we?

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(/user/Liberal Elite)

Liberal Elite (/user/Liberal E... ▶ Lily O Lady

Aug 03 · 12:53:37 PM (/comments/1408341/57134402#comment_57134402)

Because the consequences for you are much larger than the consequences for the cops.

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Oculus (/user/Occulus) ▶ Liberal Elite

Aug 03 · 03:32:00 PM (/comments/1408341/57136240#comment_57136240)

Then even the odds and make it potentially fatal for police to do these things to begin with.

Yes. I did just go there. Somebody HAD to.

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(/user/blaqtelligence)

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Aug 03 · 04:43:36 PM (/comments/1408341/57137106#comment_57137106)

I'm not sure I understand... Now that we are talking about Americans getting murdered by police, we're advocating standing our ground by any means necessary?

But when we talk about Black Americans getting murdered that kind of talk is just advocating violence and will not be tolerated here on DK?

No snark, seriously curious....

And yes, I know Shaun King wrote this piece....it's the responses that are stunning..

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Ysmene (/user/Ysmene) ▶ Oculus

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Careful... some idiot on this site hr'd me for way less than that.

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(/user/Conservative Socialist)

Conservative Socialist ... ▸ Occultus

Aug 04 · 07:02:38 AM (/comments/1408341 /57141951#comment_57141951)

Don'ts #2, calls to violence.

<http://www.dailykos.com/...>
(<http://www.dailykos.com/story/2013/08/23/1233352/-New-community-guidelines-final-draft>)

Also, stupid. Resistive force simply justifies greater oppressive force, and makes it acceptable to the general public. That is the basis of the provocateur strategy.

That's before even examining any moral questions.

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(/user/Wzrd1)

Wzrd1 (/user/Wzrd1) ▸ Lily O Lady

Aug 03 · 01:28:58 PM (/comments/1408341 /57134805#comment_57134805)

Wear goggles, kevlar and a kevlar helmet When police see kevlar or suspect it, they fire "kevlar high". Everybody else calls it shooting people in the head.

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(/user/Lily O Lady)

Lily O Lady (/user/Lily... ▸ Wzrd1

Aug 03 · 01:39:50 PM (/comments/1408341 /57134928#comment_57134928)

Who said anything about kevlar? Just take care of your eyes if necessary.

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Words In Action (/user/Words In Action) ▸ Lily O Lady

Aug 03 · 11:26:56 AM (/comments/1408341/57133385#comment_57133385)

Gas masks, shields, body armor... I would contribute to a GoFundMe to collect the funds to buy this shit for people close to the action and on the ground, as well as bail money, legal assistance, first aid assistance. You know, all the things we did for occupy.

I'm guessing pictures of protesters showing what it takes to get some redress for grievances looks like in modern America might have some impact.

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xxdr zombiexx (/user/xxdr zombie... ▸ Words In Action

Aug 03 · 11:32:54 AM (/comments/1408341/57133455#comment_57133455)

REMEMBER: The cops bring the violence. We don't so we're all good.

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Words In Action (/user/Wor... ▸ xxdr zombiexx

Aug 03 · 11:38:42 AM (/comments/1408341 /57133526#comment_57133526)

Not suggesting violence. I didn't say billy clubs, batons, tasers, and guns. I said gas masks and body armor. Why send people in to be mowed down and dispersed like sheep.

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(/user/Wzrd1)

Wzrd1 (/user/Wzrd1) ▶ Words In Action

Aug 03 · 01:30:52 PM (/comments/1408341 /57134827#comment_57134827)

They see masks and armor They'll shoot you in the head and claim that the feared that you were armed.

So, if you're going to go in that far, bring firearms and lots of ammunition. I'm prohibited from participating in militia types of activities, but I can train people. At times having a clearance is a pain in the ass.

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(/user/Vega)

Vega (/user/Vega) ▶ Wzrd1

Aug 03 · 01:57:18 PM (/comments/1408341 /57135128#comment_57135128)

No violence Are you seriously advocating shooting police? I'm not sure how else to take

bring firearms and lots of ammunition.

Even beyond my non-violence stance on this, the police bring military vehicles and the National Guard against **unarmed** protestors. What would be brought in and used if protestors were to shoot at them? How much social and political support for such protestors would remain after such an event? Should this comment get an HR for advocating violence?

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(/user/blaqtelligence)

blaqtelligence (/user... ▶ Vega

Aug 03 · 04:48:25 PM (/comments/1408341 /57137171#comment_57137171)

I cannot believe what I'm reading.... When one week ago, I was threatened with an HR because of my flippin' sig line.....

Today, are some here seriously advocating Takin' It to The Man?

Seriously?

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(/user/cowdab)

cowdab (/user/cowdab) ▶ blaqtelligence

Aug 04 · 12:21:54 AM (/comments/1408341 /57141083#comment_57141083)

Today there are many more officers shot and killed

It occurred to me that the people or minorities that are so often targeted by police with either undue brutality or death, have begun to see them as the enemy altogether.

If you figure a wrong move, just being in public, or throwing a rock will get you killed by police, you might be tempted to preempt that behavior with some violence of your own.

Yes, there are cops who deplore that behavior. If they come forward they are putting themselves, their families and their livelihoods on the line. Odds are good that it will do nothing more. Far too many do approve of it but those who could speak up

are coerced into keeping quiet.

The best way to prevent that is for authorities to listen and compromise with protesters. Until then we may well be headed for the point that Wzrd1 is describing. Nothing can be gained by it.

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(/user/duckpin236)

duckpin236 (/user/du... ▶ cowdab

Aug 04 · 08:45:59 AM (/comments/1408341 /57142336#comment_57142336)

In 2013, the FBI found 27 officers died as a result of a felonious assault. This is the last year full stats are available. The FBI count is the gold standard of these stats.

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(/user/cowdab)

cowdab (/user/cowdab) ▶ **duckpin236**

Aug 04 · 12:55:13 PM (/comments/1408341 /57144971#comment_57144971)

I was admittedly basing my 'opinion' on an article about the rise in police deaths perpetrated by suspects or others. Should have not posted as I cannot remember where it was and needed a citation. If I find it, I'll post the link. DKOS is good to hold us to the standard of citing our sources. It should be exactly that way. My point, however, remains the same. It seems we are being forced toward one warring faction against another with neither of them being totally legitimate. Do we see a similarity here with second and third world countries? Very disturbing.

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(/user/xxdr zombiexx)

xxdr zombiexx (/user/... ▶ **blaqntelligence**

Aug 04 · 07:12:30 AM (/comments/1408341 /57141977#comment_57141977)

Often at DKos things get silly. All this appears to have stemmed from MY observation that cops bring the violence.

All too often when one tries to encourage protest and occupation somebody IMMEDIATELY starts WHINING about 'violence'.

We are allowed to protest and occupy - COPS are the ones bringing the violence and we cannot let that get in the way.

We are being oppressed simply by fearing police violence if we do something LEGAL.

Daily Kos is a very silly place only marginally based on a true story.

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(/user/tytalus)

tytalus (/user/tytalus) ▶ **Vega**

Aug 03 · 08:36:21 PM (/comments/1408341 /57139385#comment_57139385)

I think it should be HR'ed it seems a pretty clear implication to me. The commenter can always clarify their remarks if that's not what was meant.

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(/user/Lily O Lady)

Lily O Lady (/user/Lily O Lady) ▶ xxdr zombiexx

Aug 03 · 12:02:59 PM (/comments/1408341 /57133800#comment_57133800)

No violence, ever! Just self-care. Even designate "field medics" if need be.

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(/user/Words In Action)

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Aug 03 · 12:21:41 PM (/comments/1408341/57134033#comment_57134033)

Ironically, the NRA would probably be the one thing standing in the way of them outlawing protective gear like gas masks...

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(/user/Wzrd1)

Wzrd1 (/user/Wzrd1) ▶ Words In Action

Aug 03 · 01:33:34 PM (/comments/1408341 /57134866#comment_57134866)

Gas masks are filter masks Very, very like paint mask filters. Hazardous materials that some work with also use an identical activated carbon filter.

So, ban a gas mask, ban pain respirators, firefighters masks, CDC "space suits", hazmat response suits, etc.

BTW, the NRA does back public access to "gas masks" (the military call them chemical protective masks, or pro-masks). They also back civilian access to body armor.

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(/user/mojo11)

mojo11 (/user/mojo11) ▶ Wzrd1

Aug 03 · 04:29:35 PM (/comments/1408341 /57136948#comment_57136948)

Except most paint filter masks exclude the eye and skin protection that a true protective mask has. CS stings like a bitch on your skin. As I'm sure you know.

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(/user/malasangre)

malasangre (/user/ma... ▶ mojo11

Aug 03 · 08:31:56 PM (/comments/1408341 /57139345#comment_57139345)

between goggles, a good respirator, hoodie, bandana,

gloves, batting helmet, steel toed boots, shin guards you'll be fine. A small buckler is very helpful. The right size potato gun will fire tennis balls with a smoke mixture of sugar and saltpeter melted together. They can't hit you if they can't see you. For extra fun get them to charge you and roll out some boxes of marbles or ball bearings. They don't see peaceful protest any less than rebellion. Non-violence doesn't work with fascists.

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(/user/mojo11)

mojo11 (/user/mojo11) ▶ malasangre

Aug 03 · 09:01:17 PM (/comments/1408341 /57139574#comment_57139574)

Might wanna be careful with that potato gun

A friend of mine built one out of a length of PVC pipe with a Y-connector at one end. The end was sealed off, and the "Y" had a screw in cap. He drilled a hole in the side and screwed in the igniter from a gas grill. After muzzle loading a potato, he'd take off the screw cap, spray a 4-second blast of Aqua Net hairs spray into the chamber, seal it back up and hit the igniter button. It would launch a potato a good quarter mile, made a helluva boom but it wasn't accurate worth a shit. He only fired "live" spuds when he could launch over Falls Lake. But it was an impressive piece of work and probably cost under \$20 to build. Still, I wouldn't recommend using it in a crowd. And the problem is always going to be causing a panic among your own people with stuff like this. Not to mention, the other side is going to be armed to the teeth with the real deal. Superior numbers or not, that's going to be a one-sided battle.

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(/user/malasangre)

malasangre (/user/ma... ▶ mojo11

Aug 05 · 02:58:11 AM (/comments/1408341

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true that The bigger the bloq the better.
Oh take your mouth gaurd

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(/user/BlackBandFedora)

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Aug 03 · 11:23:45 PM (/comments/1408341

/57140751#comment_57140751)

Do You Feel Lucky?

.The right size potato gun will fire tennis balls with a smoke mixture of sugar and saltpeter melted together. They can't hit you if they cant see you.

A police sniper **is** positioned to see you. You likely will not see him.

A police sniper will report the prepping of your home-made mortar to fire upon police.

A police senior official will likely give a green light to fire.

A police sniper's Remington .308 boat-tail round, at 250 yards, would be sent travelling at 2285 feet per second, with 1739 square pounds of energy - at your head.

Then again, there may be no snipers that day, or a kindly senior police official.

So I guess it all depends on one thing.

Do you feel lucky?

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(/user/malasangre)

malasangre (/user/ma... ▶ BlackBandFedora

Aug 05 · 03:02:39 AM (/comments/1408341

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lucky is my middle name. well, most of the time

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[new]  **PDX Dem (/user/PDX Dem) » Words In Action**
 Aug 03 · 08:11:48 PM (/comments/1408341/57139166#comment_57139166)
I don't think you understand. Cops would take any kind of defensive wear as proof that you are planning to do something that would result in your being attacked by police. Case in point, a few years ago, during the G-20 in Toronto, a fellow decided that he would wrap his arms and legs in cardboard, in case he got wailed on by the local storm troopers. Sure enough, they arrested him FOR taking those measures. They would see wearing goggles or body armor the same way. It is perverse.

I wonder if all the cities that have had to spend millions because of this ridiculous advice could bring a class action against him, since it is HIS training that is resulting in these astronomical judgments.

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[new]  **Gulliver Foyle (/user/Gulliver Foyle) » Words In Action**
 Aug 03 · 08:38:29 PM (/comments/1408341/57139407#comment_57139407)
 Yah, the law monitors that kind of stuff (not guns, just the mayem stuff). Don't be an easy target for pre-emptive investigation or 'pre-crime' if you prefer. Face it, you're watched whether you intend to act ir not.

Qui custodiet ipsos custodes?

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[new]  **The Hindsight Times (/user/The Hindsight Tim... » xxdr zombiexx**
 Aug 03 · 11:58:23 AM (/comments/1408341/57133744#comment_57133744)
Time to sue the Police Unions.. Take the only money that counts to LEO.

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[new]  **dadadata (/user/dadadata) » The Hindsight Times**
 Aug 03 · 09:10:49 PM (/comments/1408341/57139650#comment_57139650)
Interesting idea. Or for one union leader to realize there's a moral high ground and the unions ain't on it.

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[new]  **Angela Marx 2 (/user/Angela Marx 2) » xxdr zombiexx**
 Aug 03 · 01:17:57 PM (/comments/1408341/57134698#comment_57134698)
Frederick Douglass said it best nearly 200 years ago:

“If there is no struggle, there is no progress. Those who profess to favor freedom, and yet depreciate agitation, are men who want crops without plowing up the ground. They want rain without thunder and lightning. They want the ocean without the awful roar of its many waters. This struggle may be a moral one; or it may be a physical one; or it may be both moral and physical; but it must be a struggle. **Power concedes nothing without a demand. It never did and it never will.**”

Recommended 18 times

[new]  **DavidMS (/user/DavidMS) » xxdr zombiexx**
 Aug 03 · 09:07:47 PM (/comments/1408341/57139615#comment_57139615)
Police like everyone else... will just need to deal with a bit of community enforced responsibility.

I don't care about hurt feelings (in this case), I don't like testalying and I don't like people who enable the behavior.

Policing is a hard job and structural reform will make it much easier for everyone involved.

Recommended 1 time

[new]  (user/kaliope) 

kaliope (user/kaliope) ▶ xxdr zombiexx

Aug 04 - 12:18:23 AM (/comments/1408341/57141062#comment_57141062)

Bodycams won't help? I disagree, all due respect I think bodycams won't CURE or STOP the problem. But they'll help. And in fact they're already helping. And the more videos from whatever source we find, the more we can take meaningful political action, especially locally, in city police departments and in county sheriff's offices.

But I share your outrage, dr zom, and I commend your passionate statement to others.

And Shaun: T&R'd, bookmarked for community edu.

Recommended 4 times

[new]  (user/xxdr zombiexx) 

xxdr zombiexx (user/xxdr zombiexx) ▶ kaliope

Aug 04 - 07:14:19 AM (/comments/1408341/57141984#comment_57141984)

Bodycams will do no more than dash cams and dashcams serve mostly to prosecute a cop - MAYBE - AFTER they have fucked you up, beat you, tased you, kicked you.

We need PROTECTION from these motherfuckers, not recordings of our being killed.

Recommended 2 times

[new]  (user/kaliope) 

kaliope (user/kaliope) ▶ xxdr zombiexx

Aug 04 - 07:15:27 PM (/comments/1408341/57150084#comment_57150084)

Without meaningful political action on our part, t to put a stop to this atrocious system, nothing will change. Cams of any sort are merely tools, not results. And we DO need protection from these motherfuckers, and political action must be taken, and to get political action rolling, those videos are extremely important, critical perhaps, to getting political folks educated and willing to change laws, including making illegal the extremely self-protective police union rules (some have even been made into law here in CA).

Recommended 0 times

[new]  (user/PatMcDowell) 

PatMcDowell (user/PatMcDowell) ▶ xxdr zombiexx

Aug 04 - 01:45:31 AM (/comments/1408341/57141436#comment_57141436)

We need a federal law to drug test every law enforcement officer using lethal force. It isn't a coincidence they all have thick necks and shaved heads (hiding steroid-induced male pattern baldness).

If we can test baseball players, why not police?

Recommended 3 times

[new]  (user/babalu) 

babalu (user/babalu) ▶ xxdr zombiexx

Aug 04 - 06:06:28 AM (/comments/1408341/57141848#comment_57141848)

Stop "tactical" shooting training Complicated set ups have armed police shoot reflexively at ANY MOVEMENT in a window or between buildings.

Great way to SHOOT HOSTAGES!

Great training to instantly shoot a kid on a playground with a BB gun!

This encourages RANDOM GUN-FIRE SPRAYING OF THE AREA. This is not INFORMED shooting!

This is RANDOM AND WANTON DESTRUCTION OF HUMAN LIFE!!

Mr. brilliant psychologist has found a way to get paid coming and going: First, teach over-shooting is OK and then return to "testify" that's the training he gave them.

Recommended 3 times

[new]  **PrahaPartizan (/user/PrahaPartizan) ▶ scorinaldi**
 Aug 03 · 10:38:07 AM (/comments/1408341/57132894#comment_57132894)
Sue Him just wait until one of his trainees loses a massive civil suit or some government pays out big bucks under a settlement. Unless his course is backed up by massive data, he just might find himself the last person standing as the game of financial musical chairs gets played out. He's been protected because dead civilians haven't had the power to accuse their killers, but ubiquitous body-cams are starting to offer that peak into the blue world necessary to secure judgements. The police departments who mistakenly engaged this guy are going to start looking for a scape-goat on why their officers kill civilians unhesitatingly and he's as good a defendant as they come.
 Recommended 64 times

[new]  **dcnblues (/user/dcnblues) ▶ PrahaPartizan**
 Aug 03 · 11:27:15 AM (/comments/1408341/57133388#comment_57133388)
I agree. Bring the blame to where it belongs. Every family who has lost someone to police bullets should determine if the department involved engaged this man's services in training their officers... and then name HIM PERSONALLY in a wrongful death suit, tot he effect that his training and advice resulted in the death of another person. Make it a class-action suit, where the damages go into 9 or 10 figures.
 Sue him. Sue the departments and the cities/towns involved. Bring this DESPICABLE money-grubber and his so-called consultancy out into the sunlight where everyone can take a good look.
 Recommended 59 times

[new]  **Betty Pinson (/user/Betty Pinson) ▶ dcnblues**
 Aug 03 · 12:05:30 PM (/comments/1408341/57133829#comment_57133829)
He's probably not the only one I just have a hunch there are more like him out there making big bucks from taxpayers, peddling to officers the same pseudoscience.
 Recommended 26 times

[new]  **bartcopfan (/user/bartcopfan) ▶ Betty Pinson**
 Aug 04 · 11:09:31 AM (/comments/1408341/57143603#comment_57143603)
APA? AMA? Go after Dr. Lewinsky's license!? Although perhaps a psychologist (as opposed to a psychiatrist (MD)) has no medical duty to "first do no harm", although the APA Code of Ethics (<http://www.apa.org/ethics/code/>) (Principal A) appears to **include** that (at least as a "striving").
 Another thing that strikes me...the 100% **predetermined** conclusion. A supposedly-unbiased expert witness who has **never seen** an instance of **unjustified shooting?** That boggles my mind (other than against an underfunded, overmatched, harried, or worse (<http://articles.latimes.com/2000/jul/15/news/mn-53250>) public defender).
 Another sad but great find, Shaun--thank you!
 Recommended 0 times

[new]  **Clio2 (/user/Clio2) ▶ dcnblues**
 Aug 03 · 02:26:54 PM (/comments/1408341/57135476#comment_57135476)
Relentless publicity is another tactic that can get results, cf Cecil RIP.
 Recommended 12 times

[new]  **antirove (/user/antirove) ▶ Clio2**
 Aug 04 · 12:19:14 AM (/comments/1408341/57141065#comment_57141065)
I like this idea best. Lawsuits can backfire and cost those pressing it their house or more.
 Recommended 1 time

[new]  **wrights (/user/wrights) ▶ dcnblues**
 Aug 04 · 12:14:28 AM (/comments/1408341/57141046#comment_57141046)
This
 Recommended 0 times

[new]  **Ellid (/user/Ellid) ▶ PrahaPartizan**
 Aug 03 · 11:28:52 AM (/comments/1408341/57133416#comment_57133416)
The heck with a trainee Have the VICTIM of a police shooting, or their heirs, sue him and his company as being complicit in an unjustified shooting. A few of those and he'll be done.
 Recommended 32 times

[new]  **nosleep4u (/user/nosleep4u) ▶ PrahaPartizan**
 Aug 03 · 11:50:01 AM (/comments/1408341/57133643#comment_57133643)
I'd put \$\$ down that his trainees have already lost several big civil suits.
 Recommended 20 times

[new]  **elenacarlana (/user/elenacarlana) ▶ nosleep4u**
 Aug 03 · 12:00:27 PM (/comments/1408341/57133767#comment_57133767)
But they don't care because it's the taxpayer who pays the bill.
 Recommended 23 times

[new]  **bartcopfan (/user/bartcopfan) ▶ elenacarlana**
 Aug 04 · 11:16:48 AM (/comments/1408341/57143696#comment_57143696)
Could a 'concerned taxpayer' group sue their city administration for mismanaging public resources (e.g. paying public funds for seminars from this, or comparable, trainer(s); leading to unjustifiable killings; leading to public funds paying civil damage claims to victim(s and/or family(ies)))?
 At some point, paying PD damage claims would become a regular budget item, when it ought to be unnecessary (or at least more rare).
 Just spitballin' here....
 Recommended 0 times

[new]  **Nailbanger (/user/Nailbanger) ▶ PrahaPartizan**
 Aug 03 · 11:56:55 AM (/comments/1408341/57133720#comment_57133720)
Sue his clients Really, victims attorneys should be brutal with this asshole on the stand and in deposition, and should use this to show it is the Police department policy to murder.
 Once this guy becomes a financial liability to his clients, his game is over.
 Recommended 13 times

[new]  **johnr49 (/user/johnr49) ▶ Nailbanger**
 Aug 03 · 01:05:56 PM (/comments/1408341/57134554#comment_57134554)
not necessarily Sheriff Joe Arpaio has been a huge financial liability to Maricopa County, Arizona for years, but he still keeps getting re-elected and the County refuses to take any action to get him removed.
 Recommended 9 times

[new]  **KDfrAZ (/user/KDfrAZ) ▶ johnr49**
 Aug 03 · 07:55:39 PM (/comments/1408341/57139025#comment_57139025)

Alas, true. But he's losing ground. I think. n/t

Recommended 0 times

[new]



(/user/Denver11)

Denver11 (/user/Denver11) ▶ PrahaPartizan

Aug 03 - 12:48:58 PM (/comments/1408341/57134358#comment_57134358)

This is not a bad idea. It is how the whole recovered memories/satanic ritual abuse scam got shut down. A couple of big malpractice suits and the whole thing died.

Granted, the context is different but the fake science is similar and the consequences are equally and more damaging.

Recommended 22 times



(/user/Clio2)

Clio2 (/user/Clio2) ▶ Denver11

Aug 03 - 02:30:34 PM (/comments/1408341/57135517#comment_57135517)

Glad you mentioned that creepy business There ought to be some kind of accreditation required for police trainers? Like for CLA credits in legal education?

Recommended 6 times

[new]



(/user/mojo11)

mojo11 (/user/mojo11) ▶ PrahaPartizan

Aug 03 - 04:31:24 PM (/comments/1408341/57136964#comment_57136964)

Govermemnts have ALREADY paid out large settlements, but as far as I know, nobody's gone after THIS yutz so far. Hell, I never even heard of him until now.

Recommended 6 times

[new]



(/user/Josiah Bartlett)

Josiah Bartlett (/user/Josiah Bartlett) ▶ scorinaldi

Aug 03 - 11:44:39 AM (/comments/1408341/57133575#comment_57133575)

Use his own words against him... Collect material from his seminars to show that he is already a pro-violence apologist.

Study his testimony in other cases to find the holes to tear him apart.

Use his own "data" against him. Figures can lie and liars can figure.

Introduce the esteemed journals of his own profession that debunk his entire position.

IANAL but I could probably put together an effective rebuttal to anything he says. He has willingly dipped his hands in the blood of the victims of police violence and there should be no holds barred attacking him.

Recommended 42 times

[new]



(/user/Downpuppy)

Downpuppy (/user/Downpuppy) ▶ Josiah Bartlett

Aug 03 - 01:14:26 PM (/comments/1408341/57134658#comment_57134658)

His rock has been turned over The Times article should end his career as an expert witness.

The training stuff should slow down too. He's 70; that would have probably happened anyhow.

There will be dozens more to take his place.

Recommended 12 times



(/user/mojo11)

mojo11 (/user/mojo11) ▶ Downpuppy

Aug 03 - 04:36:06 PM (/comments/1408341/57137008#comment_57137008)

Will be? You can be sure that if there's a dollar to be made from it, there already are others just like him.

Recommended 4 times

[new]



(/user/Noncooperator) **Noncooperator (/user/Noncooperator) ▶ Josiah Bartlett**

Aug 03 · 02:29:50 PM (/comments/1408341/57135505#comment_57135505)

Federal Cases? I saw the article yesterday and read a couple of paragraphs. I was sickened. I scanned and did not see references to testimony in federal courts. I doubt he would be allowed to testify in federal court due to strict standards that are required to satisfy a Daubert challenge. My guess is this guy would not do well in state and local civil cases because a competent lawyer would impeach his testimony by questioning that follows the logic of a Daubert challenge. Prosecutors could do the same in criminal cases but apparently they do not.

One of my first thoughts when I saw the article was that Shaun would address it. It sickens me that anyone believes that it is okay to shoot someone that complies with an officer's request.

Recommended 9 times

[new]



(/user/matx)

matx (/user/matx) ▶ scorinaldi Aug 03 · 12:03:09 PM (/comments/1408341/57133804#comment_57133804)

I was going to suggest going to APA but there is backlash about the anti-torture reforms:

<http://www.theguardian.com/...> (<http://www.theguardian.com/us-news/2015/aug/02/psychological-association-anti-torture-reforms>)

Seems odd that the American Psychological Association would meet in Canada (Toronto).

Recommended 8 times

[new]



(/user/rugbymom)

rugbymom (/user/rugbymom) ▶ matx

Aug 03 · 04:07:13 PM (/comments/1408341/57136705#comment_57136705)

licensing is generally by the state, not APA so I'd probably try a professional complaint in whatever state he's licensed in. I think that's what's happening to the shrinks who have been assisting the government in torture at Guantanamo and Bagram and elsewhere.

Recommended 4 times

[new]



(/user/mojo11)

mojo11 (/user/mojo11) ▶ rugbymom

Aug 03 · 04:37:36 PM (/comments/1408341/57137025#comment_57137025)

I believe ALL licensing is by the state. The APA is not a licensing board as far as I know.

Recommended 2 times

[new]



(/user/leftneckgirl)

leftneckgirl (/user/leftneckgirl) ▶ mojo11

Aug 03 · 08:25:33 PM (/comments/1408341/57139295#comment_57139295)

It's not a licensing board. It's a professional organization which has no legal power over psychologists. Dr. Lewis is most likely not a member.

Recommended 1 time

[new]



(/user/Betty Pinson)

Betty Pinson (/user/Betty Pinson) ▶ scorinaldi

Aug 03 · 12:03:31 PM (/comments/1408341/57133807#comment_57133807)

Call the White House Ask them to direct Dept of Homeland Security & DOJ to stop funding programs at these police departments until they provide re-training for officers in how to de-escalate situations and avoid violence.

They can also do an agency audit to ensure none of the funding or training they're providing promotes this kind of crap.

It's very easy for these agencies to use federal funding to remove incentives for bad policing. Just as easy to help them better train officers and incentivize community policing. They don't even need Congress to agree.

Recommended 28 times

[new]



(/user/Mokurai) **Mokurai (/user/Mokurai) ▶ Betty Pinson**

Aug 03 · 01:34:02 PM (/comments/1408341/57134871#comment_57134871)

Public petition at whitehouse.gov It would need 100,000 signatures. I think #BlackLivesMatter could organize that in short order.

Recommended 13 times

[new]  (/user/cazcee)

cazcee (/user/cazcee) ▶ scorinaldi Aug 03 · 08:17:11 PM (/comments/1408341/57139224#comment_57139224)

First off..... this asshole and his company need to be named in any and all wrongful death suits against LEOs who were subjected to his training and subsequently killed a citizen.

She he is profiting from what he teaches; let's see how well his testimony goes over when his livelihood is on the line.

However, he really needs to be indicted as being complicit to the crimes he promotes through his training.

Recommended 4 times

[new]  (/user/mw Walton4)

mw Walton4 (/user/mw Walton4) ▶ scorinaldi

Aug 03 · 09:49:17 PM (/comments/1408341/57139983#comment_57139983)

Well ... It might help if we only allowed police officers to carry a gun with a small number (2? 3?) of bullets loaded and available for use. And they could only reload at the station. They certainly wouldn't be eager to make themselves weapon less if the situation looked to be turning bad.

... and a reaction force (with fully functional weapons) that is bonded?

Consolidated law-enforcement zones? Maybe a great expansion of State control and a virtually obliteration of local control of some aspects of law enforcement? Mainly, payroll. The Feds able to coerce the States to maintain quality!

Think they'll go for it?

Recommended 1 time

[new]  (/user/mw Walton4)

mw Walton4 (/user/mw Walton4) ▶ mw Walton4

Aug 03 · 10:03:30 PM (/comments/1408341/57140098#comment_57140098)

The reaction force... Fewer people to watch tied to greater prosperity for the watched.

Of course, everything is openly done and acknowledged, accessible and public.

And it would COST.

Recommended 1 time

[new]  (/user/Iron Chef)

Iron Chef (/user/Iron Chef) ▶ mw Walton4

Aug 03 · 11:30:07 PM (/comments/1408341/57140784#comment_57140784)

Great idea, already done, if you're old enough to remember Deputy Barney Fife who kept his single bullet in his shirt pocket :)

Recommended 0 times

[new]  (/user/True North)

True North (/user/True North) ▶ scorinaldi

Aug 03 · 10:23:22 PM (/comments/1408341/57140256#comment_57140256)

He's not qualified to be an expert witness Whatever his academic credentials may be, he is not analyzing information and coming to an expert conclusion. He encourages cops to break the law and then makes up stories out of whole cloth to shelter them from responsibility for their acts.

Prosecutors should object to him being presented as an expert witness, and judges should so rule.

Judges should the cord. Let cops face trial without the help of a co-conspirator.

Recommended 4 times

[new]  (/user/BvueDem)

Aug 03 · 11:24:08 PM (/comments/1408341/57140754#comment_57140754)

elect Bernie Sanders. :-) Seriously! I have far more confidence that a Bernie Administration would do more, more quickly, to reduce police violence than would a Hillary Administration. (Less lip-service, more big actions.)

Holding police accountable for their violence, re-training in community policing, etc.

Recommended 3 times

[new]



(/user/Phoenix Woman)

Phoenix Woman (/user/Phoenix Woman) ▶ scorinaldi

Aug 04 · 07:00:28 PM (/comments/1408341/57149908#comment_57149908)

Neil Haugerud fought this mentality constantly And was constantly attacked by other cops for it:

roadrash.newsvine.com/_news/2009/07/29/3089307-were-creating-police-who-are-quick-to-shoot

Recommended 0 times

[new]



(/user/applepie62)

applepie62 (/user/applepie62) ▶ scorinaldi

Aug 08 · 11:06:22 PM (/comments/1408341/57202481#comment_57202481)

It sounds like a cliché, but... Better training. And better policies, including mandated mental health screenings every few years and automatic firings or desk duty for failure of those screenings.

Courses is psychology, sociology, Mental Health First Aid, conflict resolution and the like.

The other day there was diary including a video where a cop in CA pulled up near a man's house. The man was busy hitching his boat to his vehicle, and no doubt thinking about a relaxing time out on the water. After several minutes, the cop finally got out of his car and immediately palmed his hand gun. This was a cop clearly looking to start a confrontation, with anybody at all.

Recommended 0 times

[new]



(/user/xxdr zombiexx)

xxdr zombiexx (/user/xxdr zombiexx) Aug 03 · 10:31:19 AM (/comments/1408341/57132820#comment_57132820)

Does he have a blue dress? I need to make \$1000 an hour.

Can I do it honestly as opposed to this fucking charlatan who has more or less just made shit up and been allowed to get away with it?

Recommended 27 times

[new]



(/user/leftykook)

leftykook (/user/leftykook) ▶ xxdr zombiexx

Aug 03 · 12:43:00 PM (/comments/1408341/57134294#comment_57134294)

I thot I was the only one who noted the irony... ...of a Lewinsky giving the fucking cops legal-cover fellatio...

Recommended 15 times

[new]



(/user/xxdr zombiexx)

xxdr zombiexx (/user/xxdr zombiexx) ▶ leftykook

Aug 03 · 01:15:34 PM (/comments/1408341/57134671#comment_57134671)

My savoir faire is everywhere

Recommended 9 times

[new]



(/user/maybeeso in michigan)

maybeeso in michigan (/user/maybeeso in mi... ▶ leftykook

Aug 03 · 11:03:11 PM (/comments/1408341/57140605#comment_57140605)

Nope. I stopped dead at the name. This shit needs to be shut down. How can we ever have decent cops when trainees are being fed this kind of unholy nonsense. Don't care about any right he and others of his ilk to make a living. What about the right of those who are being mowed down to just LIVE? Where are the "RIGHT TO LIFE" creeps who should be all over this shit?

sigh

Recommended 2 times

[new]  (user/tailwagondog)
 tailwagondog (user/tailwagondog) ▶ xxdr zombiexx
 Aug 03 · 02:50:30 PM (/comments/1408341/57135747#comment_57135747)
"It could have been spinach dip or something." -Monica Lewinsky
 Recommended 1 time

[new]  (user/ChemBob)
 ChemBob (user/ChemBob) ▶ xxdr zombiexx
 Aug 03 · 03:02:47 PM (/comments/1408341/57135896#comment_57135896)
No, xxdr You know it can't be done honestly.
 Recommended 1 time

[new]  (user/bill dog)
 bill dog (user/bill dog) Aug 03 · 10:32:06 AM (/comments/1408341/57132829#comment_57132829)
If the Justice Dept. & American Journal of Psychology find this guy lacking any credance, how is it this twisted fuck is given any reliability or sanction to testify?
 smmfh
 Recommended 71 times

[new]  (user/jayden)
 jayden (user/jayden) ▶ bill dog Aug 03 · 10:41:38 AM (/comments/1408341/57132931#comment_57132931)
That's my question as well.
 Recommended 18 times

[new]  (user/duckpin236)
 duckpin236 (user/duckpin236) ▶ bill dog
 Aug 03 · 10:47:24 AM (/comments/1408341/57132993#comment_57132993)
That's my question also. The APA needs pressure put on them to investigate this member of theirs. The APA has justly taken heat for having their members abetting American torture and may be more sensitive now to this sort of scientifically unsupported crap.
 The other is: Is any federal tax money going to support this bogus training? If it is, the money spigot needs to be turned off.
 Recommended 45 times

[new]  (user/wilderness voice)
 wilderness voice (user/wilderness voice) ▶ duckpin236
 Aug 03 · 11:03:19 AM (/comments/1408341/57133152#comment_57133152)
Do this indeed The APA seems like the keystone. We need to demand of the APA to investigate and to **throw this bum out**. If he gets tossed out of the APA, he will no longer have credibility to testify aa an expert witness, and his whole disgusting **murder for \$\$** game will fall apart.
 Recommended 22 times

[new]  (user/gnothis)
 gnothis (user/gnothis) ▶ duckpin236
 Aug 03 · 11:21:42 AM (/comments/1408341/57133321#comment_57133321)
If he's a member of the APA, here's a link to their complaint page (<http://www.apa.org/ethics/complaint/>). I wonder if Keith Ablow is a member too? He's disgusting.
 Recommended 20 times

[new]  (user/bill dog)
 bill dog (user/bill dog) ▶ gnothis
 Aug 03 · 11:47:37 AM (/comments/1408341/57133610#comment_57133610)

Excellent link! Thank you! n/t

Recommended 4 times

[new]



(/user/ER Doc)

ER Doc (/user/ER Doc) ▶ gnothis

Aug 03 - 09:58:52 PM (/comments/1408341/57140064#comment_57140064)

Keith Ablow is a psychiatrist, not a psychologist Different but related fields. Ablow is a physician with specialty training in psychiatry, (my apologies on behalf of physicians...) Lewinski is a PhD in psychology.

Recommended 1 time

[new]



(/user/leftneckgirl)

leftneckgirl (/user/leftneckgirl) ▶ duckpin236

Aug 03 - 08:27:10 PM (/comments/1408341/57139309#comment_57139309)

He is most likely not a member of APA.

Recommended 1 time

[new]



(/user/squarewheel)

squarewheel (/user/squarewheel) ▶ duckpin236

Aug 03 - 11:05:38 PM (/comments/1408341/57140622#comment_57140622)

the same APA that cooperated with the CIA to sanction psychiatric "assistance" for torture ?

not likely.

Recommended 1 time

[new]



(/user/PDX Dem)

PDX Dem (/user/PDX Dem) ▶ bill dog

Aug 03 - 10:54:28 AM (/comments/1408341/57133054#comment_57133054)

Shine more light on him. Look at what happened to Cecil the Lion's killer. Get some general outrage built up, and, like the publicity for ALEC, police departments might start to think twice before engaging his firm. When both the Justice Department and the APA condemn your "science," you have a decent foundation to build opposition on.

Recommended 29 times

[new]



(/user/Reallyoldlefty)

Reallyoldlefty (/user/Reallyoldlefty) ▶ PDX Dem

Aug 03 - 02:49:51 PM (/comments/1408341/57135738#comment_57135738)

Jefferson Of course Jefferson was opposed to the birth of the aristocracy of monied corporations. He had helped create a country with an aristocracy of monied plantation owners which was being threatened by the new capitalism.

Recommended 1 time

[new]



(/user/PDX Dem)

PDX Dem (/user/PDX Dem) ▶ Reallyoldlefty

Aug 03 - 08:20:27 PM (/comments/1408341/57139249#comment_57139249)

Yeah, I'm afraid you're right. Time for a new sig

Recommended 1 time

[new]



(/user/DoctorWho)

DoctorWho (/user/DoctorWho) ▶ PDX Dem

Aug 03 - 03:20:03 PM (/comments/1408341/57136117#comment_57136117)

Sadly that lion will garner more support and change in laws than a dead person of color.

Recommended 2 times

[new]



(/user/mojo11) **mojo11 (/user/mojo11) ▶ DoctorWho**
 Aug 03 · 04:40:40 PM (/comments/1408341/57137067#comment_57137067)
Probably more immediate change at least. But I hope both of us are wrong.
 Recommended 1 time



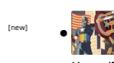
(/user/wxorknot) **wxorknot (/user/wxorknot) ▶ PDX Dem**
 Aug 03 · 04:35:23 PM (/comments/1408341/57137000#comment_57137000)
Cockroaches. Shine the Light. Expose the cities and the departments that utilize this POS.
 Expose the cops. Keep shining the light people. The word is finally getting out... that police are abusing, beating and killing people at will with little or no accountability.
 Recommended 1 time



(/user/Leslie Salzillo) **Leslie Salzillo (/user/Leslie Salzillo) ▶ bill dog**
 Aug 03 · 10:54:30 AM (/comments/1408341/57133055#comment_57133055)
Here is the The American Journal of Psychology Contact Page (<http://www.jstor.org/action/showContactSupportForm>)
 It's a start.
 Recommended 22 times



(/user/RichM) **RichM (/user/RichM) ▶ bill dog** Aug 03 · 11:18:39 AM (/comments/1408341/57133297#comment_57133297)
Because... The plaintiffs in the case are usually poor people without the best attorneys.
 Recommended 9 times



(/user/Ellid) **Ellid (/user/Ellid) ▶ RichM**
 Aug 03 · 11:30:28 AM (/comments/1408341/57133436#comment_57133436)
A personal injury firm will take on cases for a share of any judgment, no upfront money needed - and this is exactly the sort of case that could make a firm's reputation.
 Recommended 12 times



(/user/Mokurai) **Mokurai (/user/Mokurai) ▶ RichM**
 Aug 03 · 03:44:17 PM (/comments/1408341/57136409#comment_57136409)
They may not be able to pay the best attorneys up front, but there are numerous civil rights legal funds that can. Talk to Southern Poverty Law Center, NAACP, ACLU, National Urban League, and many others.
 And really hot attorneys are available on a contingency basis for class actions this big.
 Recommended 4 times



(/user/MagisterLudi) **MagisterLudi (/user/MagisterLudi) ▶ bill dog**
 Aug 03 · 11:28:51 AM (/comments/1408341/57133415#comment_57133415)
We need a congressional investigation of police shootings and the so-called standards that justify them. It wasn't too long ago that the courts had to order cops to stop shooting fleeing suspects who represented no threat. There has to be strong federal guidelines and a grand jury convened to investigate every police shooting. The average citizen is not going to walk away from a murder charge because his friends and colleagues say he was justified. The same should go for the police. And we cannot let the police or their paid "experts" determine what constitutes a justifiable shooting.
 Recommended 16 times



(/user/SoCalSal) **SoCalSal (/user/SoCalSal) ▶ MagisterLudi**

Aug 03 · 11:56:10 AM (/comments/1408341/57133714#comment_57133714)

Grand juries. I wonder if Lewinsky has testified at grand jury hearings and if not, how much of his theory has been presented by prosecutors. And how can we find out.

This "expert testimony" explains the unbelievable grand jury and jury decisions that exonerated cops. I don't have confidence in effectiveness of congressional investigations but there must be some ways to stop this guy!

Recommended 7 times

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(/user/MagisterLudi)

MagisterLudi (/user/MagisterLudi) ▶ SoCalSal

Aug 03 · 12:10:03 PM (/comments/1408341/57133874#comment_57133874)

Perhaps the ACLU could lead on this You need alternative expert testimony to refute another expert's testimony. There are so many problems with the criminal justice system that it really needs a complete overhaul. All of the weasel words that cops use to get around the law need to be removed. The word reasonable needs to be removed and replaced with specifics because the cops' definition of reasonable is usually anything but. The Guardian did a report last year on a "black site" used by the Chicago Police Department to interrogate suspects. The Chicago Tribune did a follow-up story (<http://www.chicagotribune.com/news/local/breaking/ct-homan-square-chicago-police-met-20150227-story.html#page=1>) that essentially stated the problem was systemic. The police are out of control and abuse is rampant. I don't see the situation improving unless Congress is willing to step in and force changes. If body cams aren't enough to force police officers to exercise restraint, we have some serious issues with just what the police feel they are permitted to do.

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(/user/mojo11)

mojo11 (/user/mojo11) ▶ SoCalSal

Aug 03 · 04:44:01 PM (/comments/1408341/57137109#comment_57137109)

Class action suit is probably the most effective means of stopping not only him, but the copycats who are or will be following his lead. Hit him where it REALLY hurts.

Recommended 4 times

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(/user/a2nite)

a2nite (/user/a2nite) ▶ SoCalSal

Aug 03 · 08:42:29 PM (/comments/1408341/57139443#comment_57139443)

No, it doesn't; it depends on the prosecutor

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(/user/mojo11)

mojo11 (/user/mojo11) ▶ MagisterLudi

Aug 03 · 04:42:42 PM (/comments/1408341/57137093#comment_57137093)

In SYG states he just might. Unless there are witnesses or evidence that contradict his account. And therein lies the difference between a civilian invoking SYG and a cop.

Recommended 1 time

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(/user/Betty Pinson)

Betty Pinson (/user/Betty Pinson) ▶ bill dog

Aug 03 · 12:07:41 PM (/comments/1408341/57133847#comment_57133847)

Who is funding his "training" classes? Anyone want to bet that a lot of it is funded by federal tax dollars?

The officers aren't paying for these "classes" out of their own pockets.

Recommended 7 times

[new]



(/user/subir)

subir (/user/subir) ▶ bill dog Aug 03 · 01:36:27 PM (/comments/1408341/57134899#comment_57134899)

In most grand juries, there is no one to challenge the "expert witness" or his credentials.

Recommended 6 times

[new]



(/user/Vega)

Vega (/user/Vega) ▶ subir

Aug 03 · 02:03:06 PM (/comments/1408341/57135191#comment_57135191)

And grand juries are where the cops go free n/t

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(/user/mojo11)

mojo11 (/user/mojo11) ▶ subir

Aug 03 · 04:47:52 PM (/comments/1408341/57137161#comment_57137161)

Nobody is there to challenge ANYTHING. It's pretty much a dog and pony show where the prosecutor presents the state's evidence, calls the state's witnesses and the defense -- and USUALLY the defendant -- are left out of the picture (unless the defendant is crazy enough to testify -- without benefit of counsel, mind you).

The Gj is not a trial, and a finding of no true bill of indictment is not an acquittal. But in these cop shooting cases, if the DA has already decided not to prefer charges (which he usually has) he'll make a show of a Gj, they'll return no indictment, and everybody lives happily ever after -- except the dead guy of course.

Recommended 6 times

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(/user/Alice in Florida)

Alice in Florida (/user/Alice in Florida) ▶ bill dog

Aug 03 · 01:50:36 PM (/comments/1408341/57135044#comment_57135044)

I'm guessing it the lack of standards for "expert witnesses" who make their living testifying to whatever the defendants' attorneys need to win their case.

Recommended 1 time

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(/user/KDfrAZ)

KDfrAZ (/user/KDfrAZ) ▶ bill dog Aug 03 · 08:10:32 PM (/comments/1408341/57139156#comment_57139156)

Bill Dog, my guess is that part of why he's... ... able to BS juries so well is the appalling level of general ignorance about psychology, etc.

I served on a jury one time; we wound up a hung jury, and the poor SOB on trial had to go back to jail until the county decided what to do next. Ten of my fellow jurors were focused on what they were doing and tried very sincerely to decide based on the evidence. We didn't duck into and out of the jury room without hard discussion, and sending back some questions. We decided that the state simply didn't have the evidence, and we speculated that the truth was almost the opposite of what had been presented by the prosecution. However, that wasn't part of our verdict: we were just voting not guilty.

But one jerk had his mind made up in advance, despite the oath he took as a juror, and he simply wouldn't budge.

An exhausting look at some of the seamier sides of human nature, not least in the jury room. Glad I did it, but I don't want to repeat the experience. But along the way, I could not help noticing how much pseudo-science TV-show-garnered "psychology" was used on both sides of the various arguments.

Recommended 5 times

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(/user/bill dog)

bill dog (/user/bill dog) ▶ KDfrAZ

Aug 04 · 01:12:27 AM (/comments/1408341/57141327#comment_57141327)

Yeah, pre-conceived notions are the hardest to debunk to those holding them. The whole thing about pseudo-science is

wait foorr iittt.....

it's not science!

Oh, there may be a little bit involved somewhere, but no one in the actual field takes it at all seriously. I hope.

"TV-show-garnered 'psychology'" made me laugh, but when people are talking about how someones life may be impacted, well, professional science based and backed by peer review is, as they say, the whole truth.

It seems like a trial is gameshowesque(?).

"If you can parse out what the stuffed shirts mean you get a keep out of jail free card! Johnny tell them how that works!!!"

Recommended 1 time

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(/user/Dood Abides)

Dood Abides (/user/Dood Abides) Aug 03 - 10:35:41 AM (/comments/1408341/57132870#comment_57132870)

Maybe the APA can go after him... Revoke his license and credentials... They seem now willing to censure the torture Docs almost 2 decades after the fact

Recommended 17 times

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(/user/Militarytracy)

Militarytracy (/user/Militarytracy) ▶ **Dood Abides**

Aug 03 - 10:46:04 AM (/comments/1408341/57132971#comment_57132971)

Doubt it The APA hasn't been able to stop millions and millions of dollars from being spent on the pseudo science of resiliency training in the military. It's going to take a larger conversation and everyone visiting the carnage.

Recommended 12 times



(/user/ColoTim)

ColoTim (/user/ColoTim) ▶ **Militarytracy**

Aug 03 - 11:47:01 AM (/comments/1408341/57133604#comment_57133604)

I don't mind trying to stop this in multiple ways. The APA way may be slow and may require them to be approached by their own members rather than the "lay public" but it doesn't hurt to let them know they're now having more and critical attention paid to them.

Recommended 4 times

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(/user/leftneckgirl)

leftneckgirl (/user/leftneckgirl) ▶ **Dood Abides**

Aug 03 - 08:30:42 PM (/comments/1408341/57139336#comment_57139336)

APA is not a licensing body. They have no legal power do anything.

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(/user/ctexrep)

ctexrep (/user/ctexrep) Aug 03 - 10:37:55 AM (/comments/1408341/57132891#comment_57132891)

Best thing to do with these so called "Doctors" is to pull their license.

Recommended 19 times

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(/user/Gooserock)

Gooserock (/user/Gooserock) ▶ **ctexrep**

Aug 03 - 10:40:31 AM (/comments/1408341/57132917#comment_57132917)

Who to Complain To? American Psych Torture Assn?

Recommended 19 times



(/user/Leslie Salzillo)

Leslie Salzillo (/user/Leslie Salzillo) ▶ **Gooserock**

Aug 03 - 10:55:35 AM (/comments/1408341/57133064#comment_57133064)

No, that would be directed back to the Police Dept

Recommended 4 times



(/user/liberaldregs)

liberaldregs (/user/liberaldregs) ▶ **Gooserock**

Aug 03 - 11:02:38 AM (/comments/1408341/57133144#comment_57133144)

He's licensed at the state level (somewhere) Otherwise he couldn't testify as an expert witness.

I'm sure it's in some wingnut state where they won't pull his license, although it might be worth pursuing.

Recommended 7 times



(/user/xxdr zombiexx)

xxdr zombiexx (/user/xxdr zombiexx) ▶ liberaldregs

Aug 03 · 11:22:32 AM (/comments/1408341/5713333#comment_5713333)

Rand Fucking Paul. Half-assed ophthalmologist, self-licensed, or some shit like that.

Wingnuts HATE science and such and like to make shit up.

Recommended 7 times



(/user/Ellid)

Ellid (/user/Ellid) ▶ liberaldregs

Aug 03 · 11:31:00 AM (/comments/1408341/5713343#comment_5713343)

State licensing board

Recommended 4 times



(/user/dss)

dss (/user/dss) ▶ ctexrep Aug 03 · 11:20:31 AM (/comments/1408341/5713331#comment_5713331)

Not a practicing "Psychologist"... which requires a license (many different types of psychologists). See this background below. Plus, I doubt he would be an APA member.

If anything, contacting Minn State University.

From a copy of his CV (pdf (https://www.google.com/url?sa=t&rt=j&q=&esrc=s&source=web&cd=1&cad=rja&uact=8&sqi=2&ved=0CB4QFjAAahUKEwiv74_nmY3HAhWGD4KHTQBC1w&url=http%3A%2F%2Fsonomacounty.ca.gov%2FWorkArea%2FDownloadAsset.aspx%3Fid%3D2147496954&ei=HIW_Va_xNYap-QG0gqzgBQ&usg=AFQjCNFRmeYU4iOm7_5_3_crbu-Q5sumKw&sig2=fWtylvnAbMJGVbnzTKW9Mg&bvm=bv.99261572,d.cWw))

Ph.D. Psychology: Union Institute and University, Cincinnati, Ohio (1988).

Concentration: Police Psychology

Dissertation: "Calm in the Face of Death: A Training Program for Maximizing Performance in Crisis

Decision Making"

Internship: "Behavioral Science Unit," Tucson Police Department

Here is a fun one...

Appointed by New York Governor David Paterson to be an advisor/consultant to the New York State Police- On-Police Shootings Task Force focusing on Trends in Fatal Mistaken Identity, 2009-2010

Recommended 16 times



(/user/Old Left Good Left)

Old Left Good Left (/user/Old Left Good Left) ▶ dss

Aug 03 · 02:03:12 PM (/comments/1408341/57135192#comment_57135192)

Union Institute and University is not quite a real university, although its also not necessarily a diploma mill.

Recommended 3 times



(/user/mojo11)

mojo11 (/user/mojo11) ▶ dss

Aug 03 · 04:50:49 PM (/comments/1408341/57137192#comment_57137192)

Arizona... figures. Interning in the Land of Sheriff Joe.

Recommended 1 time

[new]  (user/northern spy) **northern spy (user/northern spy) ▶ dss**
 Aug 04 · 11:12:33 AM (/comments/1408341/57143640#comment_57143640)
"Calm in the Face of Death"? WTF. Hardly consistent with the approach he advocates.
 Unless "Maximizing Performance" to him means maximizing the body count.
 Recommended 0 times

[new]  (user/Alumbardos) **Alumbardos (user/Alumbardos) ▶ ctexrep**
 Aug 03 · 07:56:30 PM (/comments/1408341/57139035#comment_57139035)
Doctors? More like Snake-Oil Slayers.
 Recommended 0 times

[new]  (user/Raggedy Ann) **Raggedy Ann (user/Raggedy Ann) Aug 03 · 10:39:20 AM (/comments/1408341/57132903#comment_57132903)**
Never, ever use your actual brain in any situation when you can shoot first and get away with murder. What is it, a game to these people? He's making millions on the premise that murder is a fine way to operate a PD in America. That's the kind of people we need influencing the already militarized minds of police.
 Social media needs to get on this guy in a big way - expose him for all he's worth. His humanity is completely absent.
 Recommended 39 times

[new]  (user/xxdr zombiexx) **xxdr zombiexx (user/xxdr zombiexx) ▶ Raggedy Ann**
 Aug 03 · 10:42:55 AM (/comments/1408341/57132940#comment_57132940)
He is reinforcing the INFALLIBILTY of cops Cops are dumber than cantaloupes and yet they are infallible.
 They never shoot anybody who is not guilty....of SOMETHING.
 We can figure out what that was after they're dead and all the evidence has been tampered with in a half-assed manner.
 It is the glorification of the Police State.
 I think they are going to reap quite an ugly crop from their insistence on killing everything that moves.
 I'll be here saying "toldja you should have cooled your shit".
 Recommended 33 times

[new]  (user/Raggedy Ann) **Raggedy Ann (user/Raggedy Ann) ▶ xxdr zombiexx**
 Aug 03 · 10:56:18 AM (/comments/1408341/57133076#comment_57133076)
He's scum like them, laughing all the way to the bank.
 Recommended 15 times

[new]  (user/xxdr zombiexx) **xxdr zombiexx (user/xxdr zombiexx) ▶ Raggedy Ann**
 Aug 03 · 11:23:56 AM (/comments/1408341/57133352#comment_57133352)
He is extra scummy because he is encouraging otherwise innocent cops to dirty their hands needlessly and wrongly.
 He convinces them to commit murder.
 That's Charles Manson shit right there.
 Recommended 19 times

[new]  (user/Words In Action) **Words In Action (user/Words In Action) ▶ Raggedy Ann**
 Aug 03 · 11:29:57 AM (/comments/1408341/57133429#comment_57133429)

Reminds me of the old fascist redneck line, "kill 'em and let god sort 'em out."

Recommended 5 times

[new]



(/user/happymisanthropy)

happymisanthropy (/user/happymisanthropy) ▶ Words In Action

Aug 03 · 02:04:40 PM (/comments/1408341/57135205#comment_57135205)

asdf [https://en.wikipedia.org/...](https://en.wikipedia.org/) (https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Caedite_eos_Novit_enim_Dominus_qui_sunt_eius).

Recommended 0 times

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(/user/lowt)

lowt (/user/lowt) ▶ Raggedy Ann Aug 03 · 09:03:16 PM (/comments/1408341/57139585#comment_57139585)

Use it to defend cop killers The social contract is that cops will not use deadly force unless in an extreme situation, so, unlike less developed country, people in this country have no need to defend themselves against cops. Therefore anyone who actually shoots a cop is presumed to have done so with malicious intent, is presumed to be jeopardizing the social order, and therefore is atomically considered for at least life without parole.

While there are classes of people, mostly white, like Sovereign Citizens and Tea Party and Motorcycle gang participants, who seem to enjoy shooting cops for no reason, there are classes of people, like black men, who seem to be target practice for the cops. These people who are target practice clearly have a self defense claim. This guy should definitely be called to defense of anyone black person who shoots a cops. I am not saying that such a defendant should be completely; set free, but time served and probation should definitely be on the table.

Recommended 0 times

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(/user/pitbullgirl65)

pitbullgirl65 (/user/pitbullgirl65) Aug 03 · 10:44:12 AM (/comments/1408341/57132953#comment_57132953)

We are LUCKY to have your voice here I am thankful you're here. Now what can we do about this creature? It's appalling.

Recommended 17 times

[new]



(/user/SoCalSal)

SoCalSal (/user/SoCalSal) ▶ pitbullgirl65

Aug 03 · 11:59:43 AM (/comments/1408341/57133756#comment_57133756)

Thank the New York Times as well for the excellent investigation and article. That's the source for this diary.

Recommended 7 times

[new]



(/user/OleHippieChick)

OleHippieChick (/user/OleHippieChick) ▶ SoCalSal

Aug 03 · 01:49:39 PM (/comments/1408341/57135031#comment_57135031)

Bout time they produced some journalism.

Recommended 4 times

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(/user/SoCalSal)

SoCalSal (/user/SoCalSal) ▶ OleHippieChick

Aug 03 · 04:44:35 PM (/comments/1408341/57137118#comment_57137118)

117 Pulitzer prizes, more than any other news organization.

Recommended 2 times

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(/user/OleHippieChick)

OleHippieChick (/user/OleHippieC... ▶ SoCalSal

Aug 03 · 06:16:48 PM (/comments/1408341/57138062#comment_57138062)

But lately they're slipping.

Recommended 1 time

[new]  **SoCalSal (/user/SoCalSal) ▶ OleHippieChick**
 Aug 03 · 06:49:14 PM (/comments/1408341/57138352#comment_57138352)
NYT made some mistakes, it's true. Still the best newspaper in the USA.
 Recommended 1 time

[new]  **OleHippieChick (/user/OleHippieChick) ▶ SoCalSal**
 Aug 03 · 07:04:18 PM (/comments/1408341/57138483#comment_57138483)
Maybe so, but I read GuardianUK.
 Recommended 2 times

[new]  **SoCalSal (/user/SoCalSal) ▶ OleHippieChick**
 Aug 03 · 07:33:21 PM (/comments/1408341/57138795#comment_57138795)
So do I read The Guardian, US and UK. :)
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 Recommended 1 time

[new]  **OleHippieChick (/user/OleHippieChick) ▶ SoCalSal**
 Aug 03 · 08:54:40 PM (/comments/1408341/57139522#comment_57139522)
The concept of The Fourth Estate is dead. The Press -- and all media since newsreel -- earned that revered status by fulfilling their duty to keep us informed so we make informed choices, as you know. The major papers, NYT and WaPo, have effed up, purposefully misconstrued, sat on, etc. too many stories vital to our nation's health. They've lost my trust, Pulitzers aside, because they are such influential voices that when they lie or withhold, it ripples worldwide and makes us look like propagandized fools.
 Recommended 4 times

[new]  **DFWmom (/user/DFWmom)**
 Aug 03 · 10:47:41 AM (/comments/1408341/57132995#comment_57132995)
I really can't help noticing Look at all those white men.
 Recommended 8 times

[new]  **Leslie Salzillo (/user/Leslie Salzillo) ▶ DFWmom**
 Aug 03 · 10:57:38 AM (/comments/1408341/57133090#comment_57133090)
They're everywhere! ;) Have you seen all of them in Congress? This has got to change. It must change.
 Recommended 4 times

[new]  **xxdr zombiexx (/user/xxdr zombiexx) ▶ DFWmom**
 Aug 03 · 11:31:10 AM (/comments/1408341/57133441#comment_57133441)
A herd? A flock? a MURDER? an Unpleasantness? What do we call a gathering of these kinds of white males?
 (The GOP???)
 Recommended 7 times

[new]  **DFWmom (/user/DFWmom) ▶ xxdr zombiexx**
 (user/DFWmom) Aug 03 · 11:49:31 AM (/comments/1408341/57133636#comment_57133636)
homogenous ;)
 Recommended 2 times

[new]  **elenacarlana (/user/elenacarlana) ▶ DFWmom**
 (user/elenacarlana) Aug 03 · 12:07:23 PM (/comments/1408341/57133844#comment_57133844)
What?? No!! We're homophobic, not homogenous ;-)
 Recommended 0 times

[new]  **samanthab (/user/samanthab) ▶ DFWmom**
 (user/samanthab) Aug 03 · 01:21:18 PM (/comments/1408341/57134728#comment_57134728)
Actually, one of them is white and mentally ill. Over 50% of victims of police shootings are against the mentally ill. I'm not sure why so many Kossacks are determined to ignore that fact. Shaun has diaried it here. I guess it's easier to reduce things to one note, and there appears to be limited sympathy for the severely mentally ill here.
 The issue of intersectionality is huge, but to suggest that there aren't multiple issues at play here is not based in fact. Mentally ill POC are basically dead men walking, and, as last week's Black Kos pointed out, victims of racism are more likely to become mentally ill. So it's a vicious cycle that you'd think progressives would care to address, but somehow folks would rather be reductive. It's not either/or. POC are viewed as animals by the police; the mentally ill are viewed as animals by the police; and POC who are mentally ill are fucked.
 Recommended 10 times

[new]  **DFWmom (/user/DFWmom) ▶ samanthab**
 (user/DFWmom) Aug 04 · 10:08:59 AM (/comments/1408341/57142907#comment_57142907)
It's a tough issue It lives at the intersection of human rights and the responsibility to care for those who cannot care for themselves, because not everyone who needs "help" actually wants it or is willing to cooperate with it. What constitutes "help" and who should receive it, and should we care if they don't actually want our help? It touches on how we decide from whom we will strip the human right of self determination from (for their own good, of course) because we have deemed that their efforts at living their own life are not adequate by our standards, a view with which they may disagree.
 Justina Pelletier is an example of it being done very, very wrong.
 I have some disagreements with C.S. Lewis. But, I find a lot of truth in his quote:
 "Of all tyrannies, a tyranny sincerely exercised for the good of its victims may be the most oppressive. It would be better to live under robber barons than under omnipotent moral busybodies. The robber baron's cruelty may sometimes sleep, his cupidity may at some point be satiated; but those who torment us for our own good will torment us without end for they do so with the approval of their own conscience. They may be more likely to go to Heaven yet at the same time likelier to make a Hell of earth. This very kindness stings with intolerable insult. To be "cured" against one's will and cured of states which we may not regard as disease is to be put on a level of those who have not yet reached the age of reason or those who never will; to be classed with infants, imbeciles, and domestic animals."
 Recommended 0 times

[new]  **northern spy (/user/northern spy) ▶ samanthab**
 (user/northern spy) Aug 04 · 11:23:03 AM (/comments/1408341/57143772#comment_57143772)
canaries in the coal mine of the police state those who are identifiable as being in the most disadvantaged groups are the first casualties. Or prey, really. Those in power do not identify with them or see them as valuable, so they're disposable the moment they could be seen to be trouble, with no consideration of how to handle things differently.
 The groups this applies to are likely to expand as those in power get further used to operating with impunity.

Recommended 0 times

[new]  (user/raptavio) ▼

raptavio (user/raptavio) Aug 03 · 10:48:58 AM (/comments/1408341/57133001#comment_57133001)

Jebus H. Crust. Just when I thought I couldn't be horrified any more.

Recommended 15 times

[new]  (user/xxdr zombiexx) ▼

xxdr zombiexx (user/xxdr zombiexx) ▶ **raptavio**

Aug 03 · 11:29:59 AM (/comments/1408341/57133430#comment_57133430)

You are very easily horrified but this is totally heinous shit so yeah, you may have hair standing up.

Recommended 4 times

[new]  (user/raptavio) ▼

raptavio (user/raptavio) ▶ **xxdr zombiexx**

Aug 03 · 11:34:47 AM (/comments/1408341/57133474#comment_57133474)

... Thanks for your "permission."

Recommended 2 times

[new]  (user/xxdr zombiexx) ▼

xxdr zombiexx (user/xxdr zombiexx) ▶ **raptavio**

Aug 03 · 01:13:02 PM (/comments/1408341/57134635#comment_57134635)

Think nothing of it. And apologies if you don't actually have hair to stand on end.

I wasn't thinking.

Recommended 1 time

[new]  (user/MagisterLudi) ▼

MagisterLudi (user/MagisterLudi) Aug 03 · 10:51:24 AM (/comments/1408341/57133019#comment_57133019)

This was reported in 2005 Read this article (<http://www.policione.com/officer-shootings/articles/117909-Study-reveals-important-truths-hidden-in-the-details-of-officer-involved-shootings/>) about research in 2005 that led to the conclusion:

...training by and large has been part of the problem, not part of the solution.

We are forced to try to accomplish too much in too little training time. Because of limited range time, firearms instructors are forced to heavily emphasize a lot of shooting in order to build that important proficiency. This results in a disproportionate amount of time spent with scenarios in which officers need to pull the trigger. This, in turn, creates an emphasis on a 'muzzle-heavy' approach and the over-emphasis on the handgun as a problem-solving tool.

Research that Lewinski has known about for 10 years.

Recommended 25 times

[new]  (user/MagisterLudi) ▼

MagisterLudi (user/MagisterLudi) ▶ **MagisterLudi**

Aug 03 · 11:00:02 AM (/comments/1408341/57133121#comment_57133121)

From the same article

Dr. Bill Lewinski, executive director of the Force Science Research Center at Minnesota State University-Mankato, says that by pursuing "important and different kinds of questions," Aveni has produced "valuable new insights into officer-involved shootings." His findings are expected to provide "a cutting-edge demographic foundation" for upcoming research projects at FSRC that hopefully will result in "profound changes in law enforcement training in the future."

Where are the profound changes? It's been 10 years.

Recommended 16 times

[new]  (user/TheOtherMaven) **TheOtherMaven (user/TheOtherMaven)** ▶ MagisterLudi
 Aug 03 · 11:26:48 AM (/comments/1408341/57133382#comment_57133382)
The "profound changes" are more flagrant killings, and more often.
 "Profound changes" in the WRONG direction.
 Recommended 6 times

[new]  (user/Vega) **Vega (user/Vega)** ▶ MagisterLudi
 Aug 03 · 02:14:05 PM (/comments/1408341/57135322#comment_57135322)
Holy.... This piece of crap is based in Minnesota? He's a professor at one of our state universities and his "institute" is here too? **We** are giving him legitimacy? Part of **my** taxes goes to pay his university salary? I feel embarrassed and sick for our entire state.
 Recommended 2 times

[new]  (user/martini) **martini (user/martini)** ▶ Vega
 Aug 03 · 05:45:30 PM (/comments/1408341/57137719#comment_57137719)
Contact his U's PR dept. nt
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[new]  (user/northern spy) **northern spy (user/northern spy)** ▶ MagisterLudi
 Aug 04 · 11:24:58 AM (/comments/1408341/57143794#comment_57143794)
guess he needed more data on shootings so he made sure he got lots of it.
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[new]  (user/a2nite) **a2nite (user/a2nite)** Aug 03 · 10:52:08 AM (/comments/1408341/57133025#comment_57133025)
Thanks nt
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[new]  (user/liberaldregs) **liberaldregs (user/liberaldregs)** Aug 03 · 10:59:23 AM (/comments/1408341/57133111#comment_57133111)
And who is paying for this guy? \$1000/hour? Nice work if you can get it, especially if you're making up racist pseudo-science as you go along.
 And who pays for his seminars for PDs? And who authorizes them? (And what judges are authorizing him to testify as an expert witness?)
 If somebody went around charging \$1000/hour to defend serial killers on the grounds that raping and murdering children was reasonable, how do you think police groups would react?
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[new]  (user/looty) **looty (user/looty)** ▶ liberaldregs Aug 03 · 11:17:53 AM (/comments/1408341/57133291#comment_57133291)
Taxpayers, of course the same ones footing the multimillion dollar settlements when cops shoop unarmed people because "they feared for their lives".
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[new]  (user/sandiapeach) **sandiapeach (user/sandiapeach) ▶ looty**
 Aug 03 · 05:48:21 PM (/comments/1408341/57137754#comment_57137754)
Consequences Cops are shooting innocent civilians- when does this become a self fulfilling prophecy? Will violence escalate because civilians fear for their lives.
 Recommended 2 times

[new]  (user/Shockwave) **Shockwave (user/Shockwave)** Aug 03 · 11:10:29 AM (/comments/1408341/57133218#comment_57133218)
Shoot first ask questions later... ...doesn't even work for occupation forces. If you do this you will inspire a resistance movement.
 This "psychologist" reminds me of those other ones that set up the torture regime in Guantanamo and elsewhere;
 US psychology body declines to rebuke member in Guantánamo torture case (<http://www.theguardian.com/world/2014/jan/22/guantanamo-torture-mohammed-al-qahtani-suspected-9-11-hijacker>)
 I guess \$\$\$ is what they are after, mercenary psychologists.
 Recommended 27 times

[new]  (user/xxdr zombiexx) **xxdr zombiexx (user/xxdr zombiexx) ▶ Shockwave**
 Aug 03 · 11:27:29 AM (/comments/1408341/57133395#comment_57133395)
I am a licensed professional counselor my background is psychology, but only to the bachelor level.
 A lot of psychologists - a subset - seem to be of a mindset that that people are static creatures and don't change. They just measure this.
 These are NOT the people to see if you need actual help.
 Now, my immediate supervisor - the best one, was a psychologist and she did do testing but she was about effecting change in our clients.
 When I hear about the APA SUPPORTING TORTURE at GITMO, I think of these ugly psychologists.
 Recommended 15 times

[new]  (user/OregonOak) **OregonOak (user/OregonOak) ▶ xxdr zombiexx**
 Aug 03 · 11:38:45 AM (/comments/1408341/57133527#comment_57133527)
Behaviorists, in other words.. you dont change people, you merely manage their behavior through coercion. Nice. Perfect for a "democratic civilisation."
 Recommended 11 times

[new]  (user/xxdr zombiexx) **xxdr zombiexx (user/xxdr zombiexx) ▶ OregonOak**
 Aug 03 · 01:13:59 PM (/comments/1408341/57134651#comment_57134651)
I am NOT a behaviorist. That has been a sad detour in our modern world.
 Recommended 5 times

[new]  (user/OregonOak) **OregonOak (user/OregonOak) ▶ xxdr zombiexx**
 Aug 03 · 03:36:34 PM (/comments/1408341/57136307#comment_57136307)
Yes.. I know. You are not. People who rail against psychology in general often are responding to Behaviorism. They tar and feather all psychology and educational practice. Very insidious, very sneaky and very corrupt.
 Recommended 1 time

[new]  (user/brillig) **brillig (user/brillig) ▶ Shockwave** Aug 03 · 11:50:43 AM (/comments/1408341/57133651#comment_57133651)

It seems to me...

Shoot first ask questions later... (7+ / 0-)
...doesn't even work for occupation forces. If you do this you will inspire a resistance movement.

This is what is happening now. We the people are NOT accepting the status quo. NOT accepting "I feared for my life." NOT letting things happen without a video record to rebut Officer Friendly Shootfirst's testimony. NOT letting the names of those lost to police brutality vanish to obscurity. We are NOT.

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(/user/occupystephanie)

occupystephanie (/user/occupystephanie) Aug 03 · 11:14:23 AM (/comments/1408341/57133257#comment_57133257)

And they teach them to shoot to kill Go for the head or the heart. Are there any woundings? Not that I have heard.

I attended a local Sandra Bland Memorial vigil yesterday. Brought home to me in a real way as one young African-American woman after another stood before the group to testify at how painful this is, how they fear for all of those they love. Police brutality has made their world a war zone. You are not safe in public, in your car or even in your home.

This is reality.

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(/user/Lily O Lady)

Lily O Lady (/user/Lily O Lady) Aug 03 · 11:15:34 AM (/comments/1408341/57133266#comment_57133266)

It's a cat-rat farm! A perpetual motion machine of death. Sadly, it looks like it itself will be hard to kill.

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(/user/cjenk415)

cjenk415 (/user/cjenk415) Aug 03 · 11:16:48 AM (/comments/1408341/57133279#comment_57133279)

another reason to hate psychologists giving aid and comfort to murderers and torturers

Recommended 1 time



(/user/xxdr zombiexx)

xxdr zombiexx (/user/xxdr zombiexx) ▶ cjenk415

Aug 03 · 11:28:51 AM (/comments/1408341/57133414#comment_57133414)

It's not ALL psychologists...not by a long shot. But it IS about a very uncomfortable number of them and I cannot tell you what is up with that.

it's wholly unprofessional.

I think Team Cheney did something to them back in the 2000s

Recommended 6 times

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(/user/MagisterLudi)

MagisterLudi (/user/MagisterLudi) ▶ xxdr zombiexx

Aug 03 · 11:36:44 AM (/comments/1408341/57133503#comment_57133503)

We really need psychologists to weed out the bad cops. If the police want to pay psychologists, pay them to interview job applicants and review officers in the field for potential problems. This needs to be done regularly and not just after an incident. If there is any doubt about an officer's judgment, he/she needs to be dismissed, placed on leave, or given another assignment that doesn't involve life and death decisions.

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(/user/semiot)

semiot (/user/semiot) ▶ MagisterLudi

Aug 03 · 12:09:19 PM (/comments/1408341/57133866#comment_57133866)

Doctors have to undergo constant assessment, at least as long as they are in training as residents, to assure that they meet performance and personal stability standards in their practice. Policemen also deal in life and death situations and should be trained as rigorously as doctors

in acceptable practices in the field.

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[new]  [\(user/northern spy\)](#)

northern spy (user/northern spy) ▶ semiot
 Aug 04 · 11:36:50 AM (/comments/1408341/57143935#comment_57143935)

doctors also have morbidity&mortality conferences to review cases where the patient died, so that practices can be improved and future similar deaths avoided.

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[new]  [\(user/OregonOak\)](#)

OregonOak (user/OregonOak) ▶ cjenk415
 Aug 03 · 11:39:45 AM (/comments/1408341/57133536#comment_57133536)

It's the corruption of Behaviorists.. BF Skinner technocrats who never met a coercive protocol they didnt like. All about Beyond Freedom and Dignity.. into hell.

Recommended 11 times

[new]  [\(user/dkmich\)](#)

dkmich (user/dkmich) Aug 03 · 11:16:58 AM (/comments/1408341/57133280#comment_57133280)

How many lawyers can he afford? In addition to being named a co-defendent in multiple lawsuits, wonder if he's violating any oaths he had to take to get a license to practice. Maybe someone could go after his license and at least drive up his liability insurance if not put him out of business.

I also wonder about criminal vs civil. We know the cops are winning in criminal courts. Is anyone keeping a tally of what all these wrongful death awards are costing the taxpayer. It might move some that wouldn't care otherwise. It should be a part of the statistics no one is tracking.

No money/no power, no power/no justice, no justice/no peace.
 I think no justice/no peace is one of the most meaningful and impactful political messages ever created.

Recommended 9 times

[new]  [\(user/RichM\)](#)

RichM (user/RichM) Aug 03 · 11:17:01 AM (/comments/1408341/57133281#comment_57133281)

The Internet... And then all of the mainstream media went nuts over a Dentist shooting a lion illegally. And well it should. But here is a guy who is professionally encouraging cops to shoot PEOPLE illegally - and then making sure the get away with it after the fact. Shouldn't we as a society be equally outraged, if not more?

Recommended 16 times

[new]  [\(user/DoctorWho\)](#)

DoctorWho (user/DoctorWho) ▶ RichM
 Aug 03 · 03:21:52 PM (/comments/1408341/57136135#comment_57136135)

Mmmmm nawwwww..... (http://www.....)

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