

# **Judicial Security Personnel**

Judicial security officers operate at the intersection of public access, legal process, and high-risk threat management. Whether safeguarding courthouses, transporting detainees, or protecting judges and high-profile individuals, these professionals are responsible for maintaining safety in environments where volatility can erupt without warning—and where public presence demands restraint and control.

Tom Sotis LLC delivers edged weapon training designed specifically for the responsibilities and constraints faced by judicial security personnel. Our program enhances threat recognition, closequarters defense, and protective tactics, giving officers the tools to act with speed, precision, and legal defensibility under high-pressure conditions.

# Security in the Most Public of High-Risk Environments

# Courtrooms Are Unpredictable by Design:

Tensions run high in judicial settings—domestic cases, gang trials, sentencing hearings, and highprofile testimonies often generate emotional outbursts, threats, and attempted violence. Officers must be prepared to respond quickly without endangering judges, jurors, legal staff, or the public.

# **Close Protection Within a Legal Framework:**

In judicial environments, the use of force must be both effective and defensible. Our training provides judicial officers with a non-lethal, close-quarters skillset that can be applied with discretion—offering a decisive response that minimizes risk to all parties and reduces the chance of legal complications.

# **Confined Spaces, Limited Options:**

Courtrooms, transport vans, holding areas, and judge's chambers often present confined layouts and limited movement options. Edged weapon training provides officers with effective defensive tools and tactics when empty-hand control isn't sufficient and firearm use is either restricted or inappropriate.

# **Supporting Protective Details and Transport Operations**

# High-Risk Individuals, Low-Profile Operations:

Judicial security professionals often protect judges, prosecutors, or witnesses involved in organized crime, cartel, or violent offender cases. These individuals may be targeted outside the courtroom during transport, at home, or at off-site locations.

Our training prepares officers to:

• Detect pre-attack indicators



- Respond to close-quarters ambushes
- Protect their principal while controlling the threat

## **Prepared for Non-Permissive Conditions:**

Many courthouse environments, city facilities, and transport settings are weapon-restricted zones. When firearms are off-limits or undesirable due to public presence, edged weapon skills provide a silent, rapid, and controlled solution.

## Confidence in Civilian-Dense Scenarios:

Court buildings and judicial events are filled with bystanders, children, and media. Edged weapon proficiency allows judicial security personnel to neutralize threats without creating panic, causing unintended injury, or escalating a situation unnecessarily.

### Legal Precision and Professional Assurance

## Force Options That Match the Threat:

Our training emphasizes controlled force applications—designed to disrupt and disable rather than destroy. Officers learn how to deliver targeted responses appropriate to the level of threat and consistent with legal use-of-force standards.

### Reportable, Defensible Action:

We also prepare officers to articulate their actions clearly in legal settings, administrative reviews, or internal reporting procedures. Training includes not only physical drills, but the professional language of justification and control.

### **Enhancing the Professional Identity:**

Judicial security personnel represent the integrity of the legal process. The presence of highly trained officers skilled in edged weapon defense reinforces the professionalism, preparedness, and authority of the judicial system.

### **Conclusion: Quiet Precision for Critical Roles**

The judicial system depends on professionals who can maintain control without overreaction, apply force without compromising public trust, and neutralize threats without destabilizing the environment. Edged weapon training from Tom Sotis LLC gives judicial security officers that edge—quiet, effective, and mission-appropriate.

In environments where law, safety, and civility intersect, our training ensures that your officers are ready—measured in action, precise under pressure, and fully equipped to protect the process they serve.