

APEX INTELLIGENCE GROUP

RISK MANAGEMENT & INVESTIGATIONS

DONALD P. REDL, JR., PCI, CFI-FTER Curriculum Vitae

SUMMARY

Don Redl is a Board Certified Investigator | Use-of-Force & Firearms Expert with licensure in New York, Florida, and Wyoming, bringing over 30 years of experience as a New York State DCJS Certified Firearms Instructor (FA), General Topics / Use-of-Force Instructor (GT), and an expert in Scenario-Based Force-on-Force and Active Shooter Response Training.

Don holds the rating of Stock Service Pistol Master from the International Defensive Pistol Association (IDPA) and multiple instructor credentials from the National Rifle Association, including: NRA Law Enforcement Firearms Instructor, NRA Range Safety Officer, NRA Instructor in Pistol, Personal Protection, and Firearm Safety. He is also a past first-place finisher at the prestigious National Tactical Invitational.

Don is a three-time published author: Get Off The X 2017, Fighting Handgun 2019, Force-on-Force 2022, and nationally recognized speaker. Don has presented on critical topics such as: Use-of-Force, Firearms and Training Methodology, Force-on-Force & AirSoft Training Accidents, Situational Awareness and Negligent Security & Security Operations.

Don Redl continues to lead Training, Investigative, and Executive Security operations for law firms, corporations, law enforcement, high net worth individuals, and government clients throughout the United States and internationally.

SUBJECT MATTER EXPERT CONSULTANT

Don's expertise has been called upon for investigative and litigation support in complex civil and criminal cases across the U.S., including subject matter expert consulting in both Private and Government matters representing both plaintiffs and/or defendants in New York, Florida, Colorado, and Illinois, including:

- Lawful Use-of-Force (Defense of Justification)
- Firearms Training Accidents
- Scenario Based Force-on-Force / AirSoft Training Accidents - Gov. and Private
- Recklessness / Negligence Shootings (Civil)

PUBLISHED AUTHOR

- “Get Off The X” (2017) <https://www.amazon.com/dp/1974364100>
- “Fighting Handgun” (2019) <https://www.amazon.com/dp/1691439134>
- “Force-on-Force” (2022) <https://www.amazon.com/dp/B0BBJTJPGC5>

BOARD CERTIFICATIONS

- Professional Certified Investigator “PCI” - ASIS International, 2007.
- Certified Forensic Interviewer “CFI-FTER” - Criminal Defense Institute, 2021

EMPLOYMENT

APEX INTELLIGENCE GROUP LLC

Co-Founder and Managing Member:

APEX INTELLIGENCE GROUP LLC is a Private Investigation Agency licensed by the NYS Department of State # 11000137192 and by the City of Cheyenne, Wyoming USA # CCDP-25-16.

APEX has four (4) operational divisions: Investigations, Risk Management, Subject Matter Expert Consulting and Firearms and Security & Armed Guard Training. www.apexintell.com

TETON TACTICAL LLC

Director of Training:

TETON TACTICAL LLC, a subsidiary of Apex Intelligence Group LLC is a Security and Armed Guard Training School licensed by the NYS Division of Criminal Justice Services #561805, a Security and Armed Guard Training School licensed by the City of Denver, Colorado ID #269 and a Stop-the-Bleed Educational Institution licensed by the US Department of Defense. www.tetontactical.com

TACTICAL HANDGUN TRAINING “THT of NY”

Adjunct Instructor - Security, Armed Guard and Use-of-Force Instructor.

HISTORICAL

EXECUTIVE OPTIONS LLC

Co-Founder and Managing Member / 2009 - 2025:

EXECUTIVE OPTIONS LLC was a Private Investigation Agency licensed the State of Florida and merged operations into APEX INTELLIGENCE GROUP LLC in 2025.

THE BOCA GROUP & ASSOCIATES, INC.

Founder and President / 2003 - 2009:

THE BOCA GROUP & ASSOCIATES, INC. was a Licensed Private Investigation Agency in the State of Florida, USA and merged operations into EXECUTIVE OPTIONS LLC in 2009.

EAST COAST PERSONAL PROTECTION, INC.

Founder and President / 1996 - 2003:

EAST COAST PERSONAL PROTECTION, INC. was a NYS DCJS Licensed Armed Guard Training School #741805, and BATFE Licensed (FFL) Federal Firearms Licensee.

PUBLISHED ARTICLES (EXOPT BLOG) www.exopt-usa.com

- "Blue Guns, Dry Fire and Sim Guns" (07/25/2015)
- "Failure to Train" (06/07/2016)
- "Active Shooter Preparedness" (07/13/2016)
- "Blue Guns, Sim Guns & Dry Fire" (07/25/2016)
- "Safe Dry Fire Practice (08/01/2016)
- "Tactical v. Competitive Shooting" (01/13/2017)
- "Performance v. Outcome Based Training" (01/23/2017)
- "Your UBER or Limo Driver is NOT an Executive Protection Professional" (01/08/2018)
- "Defensive Cadence" (09/06/2018)
- "When The Bell Rings" (03/23/2020)
- "Personal Injury Investigations" (05/26/2020)
- "Fire as a Weapon" (06/08/2020)
- "Using Your Vehicle as Weapon?" (11/18/2020)

MEDIA COVERAGE

- Tampa Bay Times: July 17, 2024 - Asked to provide an expert opinion on the Trump Assassination Attempt from a professional Executive Protection perspective.

- Survival Guide: Volume 5, Issue 10 October 2016 - Feature story "Gunning for Survival" "Taking your Handgun Self-Defense Training to the Executive, Up-Close-And-Personal Level.
- Firearms Nation Podcast: July 07 2023 - How to Improve your skills with Force-on-Force Training with Don Redl.
- Pew Jitsu Podcast: July 10, 2023 - Force-on-Force Training opens your eyes with Don Redl.
- PI Perspectives Podcast: October 2025 - Use-of-Force.

PRESENTATIONS AND SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS

- SCHEDULED: February 18, 2026, ALDONYS Associated Licensed Detectives of New York State **Establishing Justification in a Self Defense / Use of Force case**, including examining the elements required across all 50 states, as well as state specific stand your ground and/or duty to retreat laws necessary to establish justification in a self defense/use of force case.
- SCHEDULED: March 2026 Rangemaster Annual Tactical Conference (Tac-Con) in Dallas, TX - **EP Intel**: This presentation will cover how to employ the same Intelligence Gathering Techniques, Tactics and Procedures that we use in the Executive Protection industry to pro-actively identify and avoid threats, including foreign as well as domestic terrorists and violent crime trends seamlessly and with minimal disruption into your own life.
- SCHEDULED: March 2026 Rangemaster Annual Tactical Conference (Tac-Con) in Dallas, TX - **Force-on-Force Training**: This presentation will cover the history and benefits of Force-on-Force training as well as actual case history as a Subject Matter Expert on the causation of catastrophic Force-on-Force training injuries.
- September 15, 2025, PPIAC, Professional Private Investigators Association of Colorado / Rocky Mountain Investigators Conference Annual Conference - **Personal Safety / Situational Awareness**.
- June 23, 2025 FALI Tampa, FL Chapter - **Use-of-Force** presentation for a private group of approximately 200 licensed Investigators based on ethics, case history and acting as an Expert Witness.

- 2025 FALI SE Chapter Miami, FL **Investigating Catastrophic Force-on-Force Training Injury Cases**, the causation thereof and acting as a subject matter expert. This presentation was tailored to personal injury and criminal defense investigators and attorneys.
- 2025 Rangemaster Annual Tactical Conference (Tac-Con) in Dallas, TX - **Force-on-Force Training**: This presentation covered the history and benefits of Force-on-Force training as well as actual case history as a Subject Matter Expert on the causation of catastrophic Force-on-Force training injuries.
- 2024 GAPPI, Georgia Association of Professional Private Investigators Conference - **Investigating Catastrophic Firearms and Force-on-Force Training Injury Cases**, the causation thereof and acting as a Subject Matter Expert.
- 2024 PPIAC, Professional Private Investigators Association of Colorado / Rocky Mountain Investigators Annual Conference - **Establishing Justification in a Self Defense / Use of Force case**, including examining the elements required across all 50 states, as well as state specific stand your ground and/or duty to retreat laws necessary to establish justification in a self defense/use of force case.
- 2024 APIA, Alabama Private Investigators Conference - **Investigating Catastrophic Firearms and Force-on-Force Training Injury Cases**, the causation thereof and acting as a Subject Matter Expert.
- FALI 2024 Annual Conference - **Establishing Justification in a Self Defense / Use of Force case**, including examining the elements required across all 50 states, as well as state specific stand your ground and/or duty to retreat laws necessary to establish justification in a self defense/use of force case.
- PRIVATE CLIENT 2024 FL - **Personal Safety / Situational Awareness** presentation, St. Petersburg, FL for a private corporate clients staff of approximately 100 people based on Situational Awareness.
- PPIAC, Professional Private Investigators Association of Colorado / Rocky Mountain Investigators Conference 2023 Annual Conference - **Investigating Catastrophic Force-on-Force Training Injury Cases**, the causation thereof and acting as a subject matter expert.

- PRIVATE CLIENT 2020 NYC - **Active Shooter Preparedness and Response** presentation at a large conference consisting of attorneys, doctors, health care professionals, hospital security and hospital management on Active Shooter Preparedness and Response planning.
- SURGICAL SPEED SHOOTING SUMMIT TN 2020 - **Featured Instructor** at the invitation only Surgical Speed Shooting Summit held in TN in 2020. Topic was trigger control, cadence and accuracy.
- HEARING LOSS ASSOCIATION OF AMERICA NY 2016 - **Personal Safety Situational Awareness** a presentation specifically for designed hearing impaired individuals.

PROFESSIONAL BOARDS

- PPIAC - Senior Associate Director at Large

PROFESSIONAL LICENSURE

NEW YORK STATE:

- Private Investigator / Agency Qualifier
- Security & Armed Guard School / School Director
- NYS DCJS Firearms and Armed Guard Instructor
- NYS DCJS General Topics / Use-of-Force Instructor

WYOMING:

- Private Detective / Agency Qualifier

FLORIDA:

- "A" Private Investigation Agency
- "M" Private Investigation Agency Manager / Qualifier
- "C" Private Investigator
- "D" Security Consultant
- "G" Professional Armed License

COLORADO:

- Director of Training - Denver, Colorado Security Guard Training School ID #269
- *Private Investigator 2 / 2019-2022*
- * *Note: Colorado discontinued the licensing of Private Investigators in 2022.*

PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

- ALDONYS - The Associated Licensed Detectives of New York State
- PPIAC - The Professional Private Investigators Association of Colorado.
- FALI - The Florida Association of Licensed Investigators.
- CPIRC - The Canadian Private Investigators Resource Center
- ASIS INTERNATIONAL - The American Society of Industrial Security.
- ILEETA - The International Law Enforcement Educators and Trainers Association.
- IDPA - The International Defensive Pistol Association.
- INTELLENET - The International Intelligence Network.

INSTRUCTOR

- NYS DCJS Certified Firearms Instructor, 30 Years
- NYS DCJS Certified General-Topics / Use-of-Force Instructor, 30 Years
- UTAH BCI - CFP Firearms Instructor: 2014
- COLORADO - Security and Armed Guard Instructor, 2025
- SIMUNITION - Certified Scenario Based Force-on-Force Instructor, 25 Years
- IALEFI - Master Instructor Development Training, 2016
- SIG SAUER - ACTIVE SHOOTER RESPONSE Instructor, 10+ Years
- NRA Law Enforcement Handgun and Shotgun Instructor, 1995
- NRA - Pistol, Personal Protection and Home Firearm Safety, 29+ Years
- NRA - Range Safety Officer: 2016
- HEIHO - Advanced Handgun Instructor Development: 2016
- TASER - Advanced Taser Instructor Certification, 2003
- UTM - Ultimate Training Munitions, 2016
- STOP THE BLEED - US Dept. of Defense Program, Instructor, 2025
- SAFE - Chemical Weapons Instructor Course: 1997

FACTORY CERTIFIED ARMORER

- GLOCK - Factory Armorer All Pistols: 1997, 2000, 2003, 2013, 2016
- HECKLER & KOCH - P7 Pistol: 1999

ADVANCED AND CONTINUED TRAINING

TACTICAL FIREARMS:

- TAC-CON - 2024, 2025
- HEIHO - Advanced Defensive Handgun Skills: (NEURO) : 2024
- IALEFI - Master Instructor Development Training, 2016
- SIGARMS - High Performance Pistol Training
- INSIGHTS - Intensive Handgun: 2004, 2009
- INSIGHTS - Advanced Confrontational Simulations: 2004
- INSIGHTS - Tactical Handgun: 2004
- INSIGHTS - General Defensive Rifle: 2001
- OPS - Surgical Speed Shooting: 2001, 2003, 2004
- TACTICAL RESPONSE - Surgical Speed Shooting Summit: 2022
- MARTIAL GUN - Extreme Close Quarters Pistol: 2006
- MARTIAL GUN - Tactical and Technical Proficiency: 2005
- UNIVERSAL SHOOTING ACADEMY - Advanced High Performance Pistol: 2007
- UNIVERSAL SHOOTING ACADEMY - Advanced Operator Tactical Pistol: 2008
- IDPA - Stock Service Pistol Master: 1999 - Present
- HACKATHORN - Tactical Handgun / Shotgun: 1992

EXECUTIVE PROTECTION:

- RL OATMAN: Executive Protection: 2001, 2005
- VANCE INTERNATIONAL: Executive Protection: 2000, 2004
- VEHICLE DYNAMICS INSTITUTE: Advanced Executive Protection Driving Skills: 2017
- VARRO: Protective Security : 2008
- ASIS: Hostile Surveillance Detection
- ASIS: Travel Safety Security
- ASIS: Kidnap The First 24 Hours

ACTIVE SHOOTER / WORKPLACE VIOLENCE:

- ASIS: Workplace Violence & Emergency Management
- ASIS: Lockdown / School Shootings
- ASIS: Workplace Layouts / Armed Assailants
- ASIS: Establishing and Active Shooter Preparedness Program
- ASIS: The Changing Face of School Security
- ASIS: School Security
- ASIS: Preventing The Next Workplace Shooting
- ASIS: Soft Target Hardening
- ASIS: Pre-Attack Indicators
- ASIS: Building Security / Bulletproof Systems
- ASIS Increased Civil Unrest

INVESTIGATIONS:

- FALI - MBA: Marketing & Business Academy, 02/25/2025
- FALI - U: 09/30/2021, 02/16/2022, 05/05/2022, 04/27/2023, 05/02/2024
- FALI - Conferences: 05/07/2022, 04/29/2023, 05/04/2024
- PPIAC RMIC Conferences: 09/07-09/2023, 09/15-17/2024
- APIA - Conference: 09/10/2024
- ASIS: Data Privacy & Security
- ASIS: OSINT
- ASIS: Mental Health Awareness
- ASIS: Mental Health Busting the Stigma for Business
- ASIS: Drones
- ASIS: Location Intelligence
- Locate Smarter: How Human Behavior Dictates Driving Behavior
- Locate Smarter: Skip Tracing
- Locate Smarter: Persuasion Techniques
- Locate Smarter: Understanding LPR
- Locate Smarter: Deep Dive 2
- INVESTIGATIVE TRAINING LLC - Surveillance: 2004
- ARA / American Recovery Association - Advanced Skip Tracing: 2025
- Lexington National - How Behavior Influences LPR: 2025

SECURITY:

- TST - 8 Hour LE Defensive Tactics: 2000
- TST - Dynamic Interpersonal Confrontations: 2002
- THT of NY - MSI Chemical Weapons Users Course: 2002
- TST - 40 Hour LE Defensive Tactics: 2000
- MCCANN INTERNATIONAL - Advanced Executive Protection Defensive Tactics: 2000
- CORPORATE SECURITY ACADEMY - Florida Security Program: 2003, 2004
- CORPORATE SECURITY ACADEMY - Florida Mandated Firearms Training: 2005
- SAFE - Chemical Weapons Instructor Course: 1997
- SAFE - NYS DCJS Armed Guard Program - 8, 16 & 47 hr. Courses: 1995

FIRST AID:

- FIRST CARE PROVIDER - Level 1 First Care Provider Training / Stop-The-Bleed: 2017
- NATIONAL SAFETY COUNCIL - CPR & AED: 02/08/2016
- NATIONAL SAFETY COUNCIL - CPR & AED: 06/13/2014
- NATIONAL SAFETY COUNCIL - First Aid: 01/29/2012
- NATIONAL SAFETY COUNCIL - CPR & AED: 01/29/2012
- THT of NY - CPR/First Aid/ Blood Borne Pathogens for Security Personnel: 07/14/2002
- INSIGHTS - TECC - Tactical First Aid: 2001

INTELLIGENCE:

- ASIS: Cybersecurity
- ASIS: Intelligence Driven GSOC
- ASIS: Leveraging Emotional Intelligence

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