James Nanos Bio



Jim Nanos is a retired detective sergeant working 28 years with the Wildwood NJ police department and was assigned to the prosecutor's office as an undercover narcotics agent. He also was detailed to the New Jersey Department of Homeland Security and Preparedness as a counter-terrorism investigator post 9/11.

Jim is also an 20 year veteran reservist of the U.S. Coast Guard assigned as a criminal investigator and was awarded Investigator of the Year for developing and handling of a classified investigation.

Jim is the owner of Apple Investigations & Consulting best known for expertise in surveillance operations with covert cameras and complex surveillance operations. Jim is a nationally recognized as an expert in the field of surveillance and use of UAS/Drones within the security field and speaks frequently at conference and seminars. Jim has been featured on segments of 20/20, American Tonight and other media outlets.

Jim and his business partner Nicole Cusanelli are the publishers of PI Magazine and PI Gear and have continued to grow the magazine and equipment line. Jim is the co-host of PI Magazine-The Podcast and Surveillance Tech podcast.

Topic: Pre Surveillance Assessments

This block will identify when surveillance is needed and how and why to conduct the presurveillance assessment of the target. The block will assist investigators in establishing the need for a pre-surveillance assessment and assist in using the assessment in establishing the need for additional resources and setting realistic expectations of the client. The block will provide investigators with useful check-off lists and resources to be used when performing a surveillance assessment.