

Expert Training Modules

The Expert Training Program covers the following courses/modules:

Module 1: Advocacy Skills

Contents of Module:

- Legal Research
- Basic Persuasive Skills
- Communication Skill
- Mock Trial (Hample Method Application)

Module 2: Bails

Contents of Module:

- Definition and types of bails
- Nature of proceedings: what does a tentative assessment mean?
- What are the main grounds of bail: evidential standards and considerations in each type of bail
- When further bail applications can be made?
- How to structure application for cancellation of bail
- Cross references of High Court Rules and Orders and Police Rules

Module 3: Criminal Trial

Contents of Module:

- Cognizance: Criteria to proceed with a case
- Process to compel appearance of witness (Notice, Summon, warrants and Proclamation and attachment of property)
- Framing of Charge
- The principles and procedures of using accused as prosecution witness;

- Examination in chief: form of questions; Principle and procedures for allowing witnesses to refresh memory; definition of hostile witness; Cross examination: aims of cross examination; Re-examination; forms of questions
- Difference between the principles contained in section 340(2) and 342 of Cr.P.C
- What are the consequences of failure to give evidence by accused and when adverse inferences can be drawn from it?
- Cross examination of accused
- Rationale of dropping weak or false cases
- What is a cancellation report; grounds of report; role of prosecutors in preparation or presentation of reports
- Prosecutorial tests: Criteria to send a case for trial
- The grounds of withdrawal of prosecution

Module 4: Appeals and Revision and Drafting

Contents of Module:

- Purpose of Appeal/Revision and revision
- Appeals/Revision from the sessions' court
- Appeal/Revision from the High court
- The powers of Courts on Appeal and Revision
- Grounds of appeal and revisions against acquittal
- the requirement to obtain leave to Appeal to Supreme Court,
- Steps that prosecution should take when making a recommendation for and preparing grounds of Appeal and Revision
- Law relating to hearing fresh additional evidence during the Appeal/Revision
- principles and procedure in Appeals and Revisions

Module 5: General Legal Drafting skills

Contents of Module:

- How to constructing a Framework of the Draft

- How to use facts and law
- How to Identify Evidence through Drafts
- Structuring an appeal against the decision of acquittal

Module 6: Modern Technologies (visit to forensic science Lab)

Contents of Module:

- Medical/ Toxicology/ Serologist Report
- What can be proven from a medical report?
- What is the best method to extract evidence/testimony from a doctor?
- Admissibility of Reports
- Challenging the findings of reports

FORENSIC BALLISTIC REPORT

- Establishing the link between weapon and bullet instead of working condition
- Establishing whether gun was used by a particular accused

HANDWRITING EXPERT

- What is handwriting expert looking at?
- Admissibility
- Preliminary Suppositions in the absence of expert opinion
- Can handwriting be faked?

CYBER CRIME – FORENSIC TECHNICAL REPORTS

- Where do investigators look?
- Internet Service Provider (ISP) and Records
- Requisitioning records from Email Service Providers
- What can a Forensic Technical Report prove?
- Admissibility
- How is Forensic Analysis on Computers/Laptops/Mobile Phones
- Understanding the process to explain it better to the judge.

DNA EVIDENCE

- From where can DNA be extracted from?

- What does the test prove?
- Relevance in cases – not limited to rape alone.
- Admissibility of Evidence
- Historical overview – The Innocence Project in the US – re-evaluating old convictions against DNA tests.

AUDIO/VISUAL EVIDENCE

- Spectrograph Testing
- Admissibility of Reports
- Common perceptions – challenging claims that audio/video is fake
- How to introduce such evidence in Court

PHOTOGRAPHIC EVIDENCE

- Responsibility of Collection
- What can be proved by photographic evidence
- Protecting and re-enacting the crime scene.

Module 7: Criminal Evidence

Lecture 1

- Appreciation and Admissibility of Evidence
- Circumstantial Evidence

Lecture 2

- Expert evidence and Admissibility Level
- Evaluation of DNA and Cyber Crime Evidence,
- Special Rules of Evidence 510 of Cr.P.C ,
- Additional Evidence and cross references High Court Rules and Orders Chapter 1 volume III part E and chapter 18 part B and C chapter 9 Part A,B,c
- Status of Hostile witness and confrontations and improvements Criminal Procedure Code,
- chapter 25 mode of taking and recording of evidence,
- Record of evidence in High Court u/s 365 of Cr.P.C. and appellate stage 428 of Cr.P.C.

Module 8: DNA and its Admissibility

Contents of Module:

- Technical Aspects of DNA testing
- Applications of DNA testing
- Biology of DNA
- DNA evidence collection and handling
- Introduction to Forensic DNA and Serology laboratory
- Quality Assurance in DNA testing
- Understanding a DNA analysis lab report
- Statistics and Population genetics
- Forensic DNA databases
- Lineage testing
- Emerging trends in DNA testing
- Legal aspects of DNA testing
- Admissibility of DNA evidence in the Court
- Pretrial DNA issues
- Trial presentation
- Post conviction DNA cases

Module 9: Digital Evidence

Contents of Module:

- Define digital evidence.
- Appreciate the scope, relevance and importance of digital evidence in the current environment of Pakistan and laws.
- Explain where and how data is stored on common digital systems.
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- Challenges and difficulties inherent in presenting digital evidence.
- Understand the basics of computer forensics, the most common forensic methods
- Compare case law and statutory developments related to digital evidence in Pakistan.
- Understand the nature of computer, mobile phone

- CCTV evidence and its relevance in criminal matters

Module 10: Forensic Firearms

Contents of Module:

- Definition of Small Arms and Ballistics,
- Internal Ballistics ,External Ballistics ,Terminal Ballistics About shotguns and shotgun cartridges
- Making a rifled barrel and Engraving grooves in a barrel
- Lands and grooves and their role in forensic comparison
- Structure of a projectile and bullet casing
- Firing mechanism of a bullet/cartridge–Bullet path, midrange trajectory (MRT)
- Hand grenade and its firing mechanism
- Principles of safe weapon handling
- United Nations Principles of Use of Firearms for Law Enforcing Agencies

Module 11: Forensic Medicine

Contents of Module:

- Definition of Hurt, Wound and Injury
- Different kinds of Hurts,
- Medical/ Toxicology/ Serologist Report
- What can be proven from a medical report?
- What is the best method to extract evidence/testimony from a doctor?
- Challenging the findings of reports
- Classification of Autopsy
- Different natures of deaths
- Requirements of Inquest Report.

Module 12: Forensic Accounting

Contents of Module:

- Kinds of fraud and Pakistan Penal Code.
- Money laundering in terrorism cases.
- Public sector accounting systems,
- Financial statements etc.,
- Different fraud schemes and characteristics of fraudsters
- applicable provisions of PPC and other relevant laws
- Frauds in procurements in the public sector,
- rules made under Public Procurement Regulatory Authority

Module 13: Anti-Terrorism Laws

Contents of Module:

- A critique of IO's role in ATC cases
- Why witnesses turn hostile in Pakistan
- Police/prosecution co-operation to improve conviction rates in ATC.
- Evolution of counter-terrorism in legislation in Pakistan (2009-2013).
- Preventive detention under ATA -a tool of national security in Pakistan
- Designing the best practices for case review in ATA case in Pakistan
- Investigation of cases of suicide attacks in Pakistan
- Comparative study of power of intercept-Fair trial act with regard to UK, Germany and India
- Presentation of intercept evidence in ATCs in Pakistan
- Protection of witness in ATA cases.
- Best practice in 11 h (ATA) cases as mean of curbing terrorism financing
- Review of functioning of ATCs as special courts in Pakistan
- Prosecutorial powers of termination of anti-terrorism cases.

Module 14: Criminal Constitution

Contents of Module:

- Comparative study of power of intercept-Fair trial act with regard to UK, Germany and India
- Constitution of Pakistan
- High Court Rules

Module 5: Police Powers and Investigations

Contents of module:

- Powers of police
- Searches
- Identification of suspect
- Securing and recording of scene of crime.
- Collection and processing of evidence
- Police Reports.
- Police Rules 1934 Chapter 24,25, 26,27

Module 5-A

- A Crime Scene Management

Module 15: Narcotic

Contents of Modules

- Control of Narcotics Substance Act 1997
- Control of Narcotics Substance Rules 2001
- Latest Case laws

Mock Trial: