

Dr. Rick Giovengo, FLETA Accreditation Manager, Charleston, SC

Dr. Giovengo has 28 years of law enforcement experience, specializing in undercover investigations, criminal investigations, personnel development and training. During his career he has been a Illinois State Police Officer, a federal agent, an Academy Chief, and a law enforcement instructor. Dr. Giovengo was on the Federal Law Enforcement Training Accreditation Task Force during 2001-2002. He attended the Accreditation Manager Training in 2004 and has serves as the Accreditation Manager for the USCG Maritime Law Enforcement in Charleston, SC since 2010.

Dr. Giovengo received his PhD in Organizational Psychology, and his Masters Degree in Adult Education. Dr. Giovengo also has significant experience in coordination with foreign governments relating to international law enforcement efforts, relations, and training; he is an adjunct instructor for the Brazilian Federal Police Academy. Dr. Giovengo developed, designed, and facilitated the Covert Operator Selection School, which is considered the marquee training program in the federal law enforcement community. He is Certified Law Enforcement Instructor Trainer, Interview and Interrogation, Defensive Tactics, Firearms Instructor, and Instructional Design Developer. He proudly served as a Platoon Sergeant in the United State Marine Corps from 1979 to 1983, and did a tour in the Indian Ocean during the Iranian Hostage Crisis. Dr. Giovengo's forthcoming book, *Training Law Enforcement Officers*, will be published the fall of 2015.

Rick is married to his wife Keren and they have one sixteen-year-old son, Matthew.