

# MARC EVANS

## Apogee Consulting

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### EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

I am a nationally recognized human trafficking expert that has testified in federal, state, and municipal courts. I have conducted approximately 12,000 investigations related to human trafficking, pimping, pandering, prostitution, supervising prostitution, loitering for prostitution, solicitation, and lewd conduct, which resulted in approximately 7,000 arrests. Since 1998, I have worked undercover as an investigator, supervisor and manager of many human trafficking-related investigations. I retired as the Lieutenant and Officer-in-Charge of the Los Angeles Police Department's Human Trafficking Task Force. As the president of Apogee Consulting, I have trained over 7,000 law enforcement officers, first responders, school professionals, and medical professionals throughout the United States and Canada on the topic of human trafficking.

### EDUCATION

Master's, Criminal Justice – Critical Incident Mgmt/Counter-Terrorism, *Saint Leo University*  
Bachelor's, Criminal Justice, *Saint Leo University*

### EXPERTISE

Human Trafficking  
Labor Trafficking  
Supervising Prostitution  
Undercover Operations  
Escorts  
Commercial Sex Exploited Children

Pimping  
Prostitution  
Loitering for Prostitution  
Surveillance  
"Johns"  
Gangs

Pandering  
Lewd Conduct  
In-call/Out-call  
Hotel Operations  
Massage Parlors  
Recruitment

### PROFESSIONAL TEACHING

- University of California – Los Angeles (UCLA) School of Law (*Human Trafficking*)
- University of Central Oklahoma (*Human Trafficking*)
- California State University – Northridge (*Human Trafficking*)
- Institute of Criminal Investigation - Los Angeles Police Department (*HT Proactive Case Development*)
- Los Angeles Police Department – Vice School (*Human Trafficking Investigations*)
- Los Angeles Joint Regional Intelligence Center (*Funding Terrorism and Domestic Sex Trafficking*)
- San Diego Law Enforcement Coordination Center (*Funding Terrorism and Domestic Sex Trafficking*)
- Central California Intelligence Center (*Funding Terrorism and Domestic Sex Trafficking*)
- S.A.R.T/D.A.R.T Response Teams – Los Angeles (*Pimping and Domestic Human Trafficking in Your Community*)
- United States Navy (*Domestic Sex Trafficking*)

- Los Angeles Unified School District (*Human Trafficking- Online Recruitment & social media*)
- US Courts (*Domestic Sex Trafficking*)
- Federal Bureau of Investigations, United States Courts, Los Angeles County Sheriff and numerous law enforcement agencies in the United States and Canada
- Saint Leo University & Antelope Valley College – *Adjunct Professor*
- California Reserve Police Officer Conference (*Domestic Human Trafficking*)
- Young Professionals Organization – Los Angeles Gold Chapter (*HT and social media*)
- R360 – Orange County (*Human Trafficking Trends and Recruitment*)

## **PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

October 2014 – July 2025 (Retired): **LOS ANGELES POLICE DEPARTMENT (LAPD)**

### ***Lieutenant II - Officer-in-Charge, Human Trafficking/Vice/Counter-Terrorism Liaison (Undercover)***

- LAPD's SME for human trafficking, undercover operations, and vice
- Provided operational oversight of all human trafficking-related investigations
- Supervised approximately 40-60 undercover personnel; including Officers, Sergeants and Detectives
- Provided training, instruction, direction, and managerial oversight
- Read, reviewed, and approved numerous arrest reports, search warrants, and daily operations
- Directed, coordinated and conducted many undercover human trafficking investigations and sting operations
- Directed, coordinated and conducted human trafficking investigations related to international labor trafficking and illegal marijuana grows
- Created and launched the LAPD Human Trafficking Task Force in Operations-Valley Bureau
- Led Federal and State multi-jurisdictional operations for various domestic/international human trafficking investigations involving the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) and Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE)
- Conducted many human trafficking-related crimes at hotels, motels and areas adjacent to hotels and motels
- Worked undercover near human traffickers, prostitutes, pimps, panderers, and those who were loitering to commit prostitution, solicitation, and lewd conduct
- Worked undercover in hotels and motels to observe criminal activities and how employees operated in hotel and motel lobbies, rooms, and common areas
- Monitored how "Johns", pimps, panderers, human traffickers and prostitutes conducted business on hotel and motel properties. Also, observed hotel security and staff interactions with patrons
- Observed gang members involved in various phases and aspects of human trafficking
- Conducted sting operations on hotel staff/employees/owners regarding knowingly renting rooms for prostitution activity
- Worked with Los Angeles City Attorney's Office to address problematic hotels that were deemed a nuisance. I made professional security recommendations that were to be instituted by the offending hotel/motel owners

- LAPD Vice School Instructor. Taught human trafficking investigations, online recruitment, and human trafficking among terrorists to achieve their radical ideology and fund terrorism
- Implemented above-mentioned findings  
LAPD Citizens Academy Instructor. Taught human trafficking investigations, branding, and online recruitment
- Partnered and participated in formal study with California State University – Northridge, Urban Planning Department, to examine how to reduce prostitution related crime via changing the urban environment
- Spoke to hundreds of suspects engaged in pimping, pandering, human trafficking, prostitution, lewd conduct, supervising prostitution and loitering to commit prostitution
- Analyzed evidence specific to human trafficking and human trafficking-related investigations.

**November 2012 - October 2014: LOS ANGELES POLICE DEPARTMENT**

**Lieutenant I - Watch Commander**

- Managed day-to-day patrol operations for Van Nuys Division, located in the San Fernando Valley
- Reviewed and approved arrest reports, booking recommendations, Use of Force Reports, and pursuit reports
- Evaluated, Assessed, managed, reviewed, and trained supervisors related to personnel complaints, personnel management, and adjudication philosophies for personnel matters
- Managed up to 100 officers, detectives and supervisors

**April 2011 - November 2012: LOS ANGELES POLICE DEPARTMENT**

**Sergeant II – North Hollywood Vice (Undercover)**

- Supervised and managed day-to-day undercover operations, investigations, and sting operations for human trafficking and its' associated crimes
- Provided supervisory oversight undercover investigations related to human trafficking, pimping, pandering, prostitution, supervising prostitution, loitering for prostitution, and lewd conduct
- Conducted many undercover investigations at hotels and motels
- Authored, reviewed and approved search warrants related to human trafficking investigations
- Conducted numerous human trafficking investigations at massage parlors
- Conducted numerous human trafficking investigations on streets known for prostitution
- Conducted many human trafficking related investigations involving gang members
- Spoke to many girls involved in prostitution and/or human trafficking victims
- Spoke to pimps involved in human trafficking, pimping, pandering, and supervising prostitution
- Testified in court related to all aspects of human trafficking, pimping, pandering, prostitution, solicitation, loitering to commit prostitution, lewd conduct, and the like
- Trained subordinates to conduct human trafficking related investigations, write search warrants, and analyze evidence

April 2009 - April 2011: LOS ANGELES POLICE DEPARTMENT

**Sergeant II – Police Training and Education (Police Academy)**

- Provided oversight related to police training and online education
- Member of the Tactical Review Committee, made recommendations related to tactical performance and policy
- Wrote Training Directives, lesson plans, and monthly online learning modules for 10,000 officers

February 2005 - April 2009: LOS ANGELES POLICE DEPARTMENT

**Sergeant II – Internal Affairs**

- Conducted criminal and administrative investigations pertaining to LAPD police officers
- Analyzed evidence, information, and testimonies for criminal and administrative cases
- Internal Affairs School instructor

September 2002 - February 2005: LOS ANGELES POLICE DEPARTMENT

**Sergeant I – Patrol Supervisor (Van Nuys Division and Central Division)**

- Supervised patrol activities of approximately 30 officers
- Supervised field investigations, pursuits, uses of force, and interacted with public
- Conducted personnel complaint investigations
- Supervised critical incidents

November 2001 - September 2002: LOS ANGELES POLICE DEPARTMENT

**Police Officer III – Field Training Officer (Foothill Division)**

- Trained probationary officers in all aspects of community policing, patrol investigations, policy, report writing, court testimony, evidence collection, chain-of-custody, tactics, and officer safety.

August 1998 - November 2001: LOS ANGELES POLICE DEPARTMENT

**Police Officer III/II – Vice Investigator / Prostitution Enforcement Detail  
(Hollywood Division - Undercover)**

- Developed vice expertise in all aspects of prostitution related crimes, pimping, and pandering by conducting numerous undercover investigations that involved large numbers of arrests, interviews, analyzing evidence, and preparing arrest reports
- Conducted surveillance of criminals participating in various sex crimes associated with prostitution
- Conducted undercover investigations related to pimping, pandering, prostitution, loitering for prostitution, supervising prostitution, and lewd conduct
- Conducted in-call/out-call investigations
- Testified in federal, state, and municipal court

- Wrote undercover operational plans, conducted briefings, and conducted undercover operations along the Sunset Strip
- Conducted prostitution related investigations on the street, at hotels and motels, online, and in adult newspaper advertisements

**November 1994 - August 1998: LOS ANGELES POLICE DEPARTMENT**

**Police Officer III – Gang Officer and Patrol Officer**

- Developed gang expertise related to Black, Hispanic, Asian and White gangs
- Collected information for files documenting associates, tattoos, interactions, and other valuable information. Served search warrants

**PUBLICATIONS AND MEDIA APPEARANCES**

- Author, 'Selling the Daughters of America' (2014)
- Author, 'Protecting Police Facilities', "The Chief of Police" magazine (2011)
- Los Angeles Daily News, *Valley Human-Trafficking Task Force Arrests Top 750 in 2017*, LAPD Says, Feb 1, 2018. Retrieved from <https://www.dailynews.com/2018/02/01/valley-human-trafficking-task-force-arrests-top-750-in-2017-lapd-says/>
- Los Angeles Daily News, *Pimping suspect arrested in North Hollywood may have been linked to nationwide network*, LAPD says, March 12, 2020, retrieved from <https://www.dailynews.com/2020/03/12/pimping-suspect-arrested-in-north-hollywood-may-have-operated-nationwide-network-lapd-says/>
- Los Angeles Police Department Press Conference, *LAPD Operations Valley-Bureau Human Trafficking Task Force*, Feb 3, 2018, retrieved from <https://es-la.facebook.com/lapdhq/videos/lapd-operations-valley-bureau-human-trafficking-task-force/2045453168816882/>, approximately 13 min, 25 sec mark.
- MSNBC Investigates: *Hollywood Vice*, 2000, <https://www.youtube.com/watch?reload=9&v=oAnT4LlyCcM>
- Vice TV: *United Gangs America – Yakuza*, aired August 5, 2025
- Fox News @Night With Trace Gallagher, Fox News Contributor – Law Enforcement Expert, Minnesota School Shooting, Aired August 27, 2025

Numerous other appearances available at

[https://www.google.com/search?ei=gR8mX4P9LJTB7gKU3KeIBA&q=Lt.+Marc+Evans+%2B+LAPD&og=Lt.+Marc+Evans+%2B+LAPD&gs\\_lcp=CqZwc3ktYWIQAziICCEQFhAdEB46BQgAEJECoggIABCxAxCRAjLCC4QsQMqxEQowl6CAguELEDEIMBOgllLjoICC4QxwEQowI6BQgAELEDOgIADoICAAQsQMqgwE6BQguEJMCOggILhDHARCvAToGCAAQFhAeOggIABAWEAoQHICD9XhYqqV5YJypeWgAcAB4AIABjQGIafkOkgEEMTguM5gBAKABAaoBB2d3cy13aXrAAQE&scient=psy-ab&ved=0ahUKEwjDwYWyvt\\_vqAhWUoFskHRTuCuEQ4dUDCAw&uact=5](https://www.google.com/search?ei=gR8mX4P9LJTB7gKU3KeIBA&q=Lt.+Marc+Evans+%2B+LAPD&og=Lt.+Marc+Evans+%2B+LAPD&gs_lcp=CqZwc3ktYWIQAziICCEQFhAdEB46BQgAEJECoggIABCxAxCRAjLCC4QsQMqxEQowl6CAguELEDEIMBOgllLjoICC4QxwEQowI6BQgAELEDOgIADoICAAQsQMqgwE6BQguEJMCOggILhDHARCvAToGCAAQFhAeOggIABAWEAoQHICD9XhYqqV5YJypeWgAcAB4AIABjQGIafkOkgEEMTguM5gBAKABAaoBB2d3cy13aXrAAQE&scient=psy-ab&ved=0ahUKEwjDwYWyvt_vqAhWUoFskHRTuCuEQ4dUDCAw&uact=5)

## **TRAINING**

- Gangs and Sex Trafficking (2023) – 2 hours
- Labor Trafficking (2023) – 2 hours
- G6 (Motel 6) Hospitality Resources for Human Trafficking Investigators (2023) – 1 hour
- ECPAT USA Training for Hotel Associates (2022) – 2 hours
- Human Trafficking 101 – California Hotel and Lodging Association (2021) – 3 hours
- Gangs - For Patrol (2020)
- Human Trafficking of Minors Investigation-Advanced (2015) – 8 hours
- Human Trafficking Identify and Respond (2015) -2 hours
- Undercover Operations – Tactical Response (2015) – 8 hours
- Academic Instructor Certification Course (2014) – 40 hours
- Human Trafficking Update – Homeland Security Video, Part 1-2 (2014) – 4 hours
- Human Trafficking Legal Update (2013) – 2 hours
- West Point Leadership School (2012) – 134 hours
- Enhanced Incident Command System, Texas A&M University (2012) – 32 hours
- Plainclothes Tactics/Safety (2011) – 2 hours
- International Sex Trafficking of Women and Children (2010) – 24 hours
- Detective School (2006) – 80 hours
- Vice Investigations (2000) – 40 hours
- Narcotics (1999, 2000, 2013) – 18 hours
- Gang Awareness Update (1997) – 24 hours

## **CERTIFICATIONS**

- POST Command Development School (2017)
- POST Management School (2014)
- POST Certificates: Basic, Intermediate, Advanced, Supervisory, and Management (1995-2015)
- California Commission on Peace Officer Standards and Training - Certified Instructor (2015)

## **AWARDS/RECOGNITION**

- Meritorious Unit Citation, Los Angeles Police Commission (2020)
- Letter of Appreciation, Los Angeles Police Department, Chief Robert Arcos (2018)
- Rafer Johnson Medal of Justice, Dignity Health (2018)
- Law Enforcement Visionary, Journey Out (2018)
- Lieutenant of the Year, Los Angeles Police Department (2016)
- Excellence in Policing, Los Angeles City Councilman Mitch Englander (2016)
- Letter of Appreciation, California State Senator Fran Pavley (2016)
- Certificate of Recognition, California State Assemblyman Matt Dababneh (2016)
- Certificate of Special Congressional Recognition, Congressman Brad Sherman (2016)
- Certificate of Appreciation, Los Angeles City Councilwoman Nury Martinez (2016)
- Certificate for Enriching Lives, Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors (2016)
- Lifesaving Medal, Los Angeles Police Department (2006)

## **LEGISLATIVE & ADVISORY WORK**

- Provided opinions and expertise to Daphne Phung, Executive Director, Founder, California Against Slavery (CAS). Provided insight regarding human trafficking and law enforcement training needs pertaining to human trafficking. These efforts were in preparation for a ballot initiative titled, *Californians Against Sexual Exploitation (CASE)*. The ballot measure was later known as Proposition 35, which appeared on the California 2012 Ballot.
- On the Board of Advisors, Slavery Free World (2020-2026)
- Minnesota Attorney General Office, Continuing Legal Education Seminar, June 22, 2023
- Country of Qatar, Lt. Col. Nawaf Mohammed Al Otaibi, Director of Criminal Investigations (2024)
- Country of Qatar, 1st Lieutenant Abdulla Aqeel Al-Enazi, Head of Human Trafficking Investigations (2024)
- Cornell University's Brooks School of Public Policy, Student Body (2024)
- Los Angeles County District Attorney's Officer, DA Investigator Mick Dickes (2025)
- Los Angeles Police Department, Detective III Efren Gutierrez (2026)

NOT RETAINED