

SPEAKERS BUREAU



Presentation Information

Presentation Category	Events that Changed Law Enforcement
Presentation Title	Looking Back: The FBI Miami Firefight
Presentation Length	60-240 Minutes
Presentation Objective	To teach Street Survival, Deadly Force Encounters, Tactics, and Wound Ballistics
Presentation Description	The five-minute gunfight between eight FBI agents and two murderous bank robbers changed law enforcement training, equipment and tactics throughout the U.S. It is estimated that there were 150 shots fired during the incident. In the end, nine out of the ten participants were shot. The two bank robbers were dead, as well as two FBI agents, Special Agent Ben Grogan and Special Agent Jerry Dove. Five other agents were wounded including FBI Special Agent Ed Mireles who was shot twice.
	Special Agent Ed Mireles improvised, adapted and overcame insurmountable obstacles to persevere and eventually end the gunfight by killing the two bank robbers. Ed Mireles conducts a step by step detailed case study about the incident. 1. Investigative Background 2. Surveillance 3. Car Stop 4. Shoot Out 5. Weapons and Tactics 6. Wound Ballistics 7. Will to Survive

	8. Changes in Law Enforcement Equipment, Weapons and
	Training
	9. PTSD
	10. Q & A
	Subsequently, Ed Mireles was assigned to the Firearms
	Training Unit at the FBI Academy at Quantico, VA where he
	could share his experiences and recover from his injuries in a
	relatively safe environment.
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Speaker's Biography	Ed Mireles was born in Alice, Texas. His family later moved to
	Beeville, TX where Ed attended AC Jones HS. In 1971 he
	enlisted in the US Marines and did a four-year tour. He served
	as a Marine Security Guard at the US Embassy's in Sophia,
	Bulgaria; Reykjavik, Iceland; Brussels, Belgium; and Madrid,
	Spain.
	After graduating from the University of Maryland in 1979, Ed
	Mireles entered on duty with the FBI. He is a 25-year veteran of
	the FBI with experience as an FBI Street Agent, Supervisor and
	Manager in a wide range of investigative and administrative
	areas, as well as extensive Undercover (UC) work. Mr. Mireles
	served as the primary Undercover Agent in scores of high level
	and high risk narcotics, criminal and national security
	investigations.
	Mr. Mireles has worked in the following major cities and areas:
	WDC, NYC, Chicago, Los Angeles, Miami and the Southwest
	Border. He has been involved in two deadly force
	confrontations with armed adversaries and has been wounded
	twice.

He is married to Elizabeth and has three sons, Marco, Christian and Jonathan. In October 1986 the International Association of Chiefs of Police awarded Mr. Mireles its National Police Officer of the Year Award for the Year 1986. It cited him for outstanding bravery, diligence and dedicated community service in the finest tradition of American Law Enforcement.

On December 4, 1987 The US Department of Justice recognized Mr. Mireles as the Federal Law Enforcement Officer of the Year and awarded him the Attorney Generals Award for Exceptional Heroism.

On April 10, 1989 the FBI awarded the FBI Medal of Valor. The citation reads, "In deep appreciation for his uncommon valor and heroism rendered on behalf of the Federal Bureau of Investigation and the American people in Miami, Florida on April 11, 1986. During the pursuit of two extremely dangerous criminals, two special Agents were killed and several others were wounded. Although severely injured, Mr. Mireles fired his shotgun one handed to prevent the suspects from escaping and then he charged the suspects and fatally wounded both. His heroic actions prevented further injury to his fellow Agents and innocent citizens. The Outstanding Services and Exceptional Personal Bravery demonstrated by Mr. Mireles were in the highest traditions of the Federal Bureau of Investigation and are truly worthy of this special acknowledgement."

On November 10, 1994, the Texas Department of Criminal Justice honored Mr. Mireles by dedicating the Edmundo Mireles Criminal Justice Training Academy in his name.

Mr. Mireles retired in March of 2004. As a defense contractor he has spent almost four years working in Iraq as a Law Enforcement Professional and advisor to the Iraqi Police. He worked for one year (in uniform) embedded with the Marines

in Fallujah and the 10th Mountain Division in Baghdad and Basrah. Mr. Mireles also worked with the U.S. Department of State in Baghdad in an Advisory position with the Iraqi Police. Mr. Mireles worked for a year with the State Department helping to train police in Mexico and a year helping to train police in Belize.