The Truth in Perception: Examining the Impact of Body-Worn Cameras on Memory Recall

Description

In this episode of the Guardian Mindset Podcast, Eric welcomes Dr. Paul Taylor, an experienced law enforcement research and training expert, back to the show to delve into the contentious issue of whether officers should watch video footage before writing their use-of-force reports. Dr. Taylor's expertise in the field offers invaluable insights into this complex topic. The podcast offers unique perspectives from legal and physiological experts, inviting listeners to think critically about this important topic. Overall, this episode is a must-listen for anyone interested in the nuances of law enforcement and the utilization of body-worn cameras.

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Topics Discussed in this Episode

- Whether officers should watch video footage before writing their use-of-force reports.
- The impact of body-worn cameras on officers' memory recall.
- The risks associated with watching videos before writing reports.
- The limitations of body-worn cameras.
- A recent Supreme Court decision related to the use of body-worn cameras.
- How video footage is used against police officers in court.

About the Guest

Paul Taylor, Ph.D. is an Assistant Professor in the School of Public Affairs at the University of Colorado Denver where he studies decision-making, human factors, and system safety in the context of police interactions with the public. He is also the founder and lead instructor for the Association of Force Investigators (AFI). Dr. Taylor has over ten years of practical law enforcement experience including time as a department training manager, patrol sergeant, and use-of-force instructor. He has delivered law enforcement related instruction for academy, field training, and advanced in-service audiences as well as graduate and undergraduate level courses. Dr. Taylor is actively engaged in law enforcement research and training across the United States and internationally.

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