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Dr. Chuck J. Rylant is a court-recognized expert witness in use-of-force, self-defense, strangulation, and human performance factors. He is a Doctor of Psychology where he conducted his research dissertation titled: *“Decisions Under Pressure: Psychological and Physiological Aspects of Police Use of Force.”*

Dr. Rylant is a retired police officer/detective, S.W.A.T. member, and P.O.S.T. certified firearms, baton, chemical agents, and arrest and control (ARCON) trainer. He has designed current police ARCON programs and currently teaches ARCON and use-of-force at police academies. Dr. Rylant is an Advanced Force Science Specialist, Brazilian Jiu-Jitsu black belt instructor for law enforcement and civilians, and author of *“Shots Fired: The Psychology Behind Officer Involved Shootings.”*

Areas of Expertise:

- Use of Force
 - Deadly Force
 - Self Defense
 - Homicide
 - Murder
 - Officer Involved Shootings
 - Strangulation
 - Choke Holds
 - Carotid Restraint
 - Arrest & Control
 - Defensive Tactics
 - Martial Arts
 - Human Performance
 - Decision Making
 - Fight or Flight
 - Stress Response
 - Police Procedure
 - Law Enforcement Training
 - Baton
 - Taser
 - Chemical Agents
 - Pepper Spray
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Qualifications / Certifications:

- Doctor of Clinical Psychology with focus on use of force decision making.
- P.O.S.T. certified ARCON (defensive tactics) instructor.
- P.O.S.T. certified Master ARCON instructor—train the trainer.
- Develop and instruct current law enforcement defensive tactic curriculum.
- Brazilian Jiu-Jitsu black belt instructor.
- Retired police officer and detective.
- Homicide investigator for criminal prosecution and defense.
- Former SWAT member.
- Former department and academy firearms, chemical agent, and baton instructor.
- Advanced Force Science Specialist.
- Court qualified use of force/strangulation expert.