

## "CRITICAL INCIDENT DECISION MAKING / FIREGROUND LEADERSHIP"

### **Instructor:**

*Steve Chikerotis - Deputy District Chief, Chicago FD*

### **Class Time:**

5 hours

### **Class description:**

Chief Steve Chikerotis delivers a colorful powerpoint presentation loaded with fire case studies and lessons learned from his personal experiences in 33 years of crawling hallways with the Chicago Fire Department. Each incident is brought to life through exciting pictures and video. Each story reinforces powerful lessons learned. Topics covered include Critical Incident Decision Making, Coordinated Fire Attack, Risk Management, Reading Smoke, Construction & Collapse, Flashover, Communications & Accountability.

This class will be enjoyed by the seasoned veteran as well as the new recruit. The goal of the class is to increase fireground safety and efficiency through the use of enhanced critical incident decision making, leadership, and coordinated tactics.

### **Target Audience: ALL LEVELS**



### **Steve Chikerotis Biography:**

*Steve is a 33-year member of the Chicago Fire Department currently serving as a Deputy District Chief. He has been a chief officer for the last 14 years in which time he has also held the positions of Battalion Chief, Director of Training, and as Chief of Fire Academy Operations. He worked his way through the ranks serving on some of the cities busiest engines, trucks and, heavy rescue squads.*

*A fire service instructor for over 25 years, Steve has presented seminars, and taught hands-on classes all over the nation. He is an on staff instructor at the Chicago Fire Academy, Illinois Fire Service Institute, RICO Fire Training, and Harold Washington College.*

*Steve Chikerotis is the author of "Firefighters From The Heart" (Thomson Delmar 2006) as well as several published fire service articles. Steve also does a lot of work with the television and motion picture industry as a technical advisor, safety officer and screen writer. He has worked on over 50 major motion pictures including the movie "Backdraft".*