Detective Carlton Hershman (Ret) is a 32-year veteran of the San Diego Police Department, retiring in April of 2017. Det. Hershman was promoted to Detective in 1998. Det. Hershman has worked several assignments as an investigator including Juvenile Investigations, Narcotics, Special Investigations Unit, Homicide, Sex Crimes, Elder Abuse, and the C.A.T.C.H. Team (Cyber Unit). In 2007, Det. Hershman implemented the sex crimes cold case unit. During his 10 years in the Sex Crimes Unit, he investigated more than 1,300 sexual assault cases.

Det. Hershman has provided training to new sexual assault victim advocates in the San Diego area, and he is an instructor at the San Diego Regional Law Enforcement Academy on topics such as Sex Crimes Investigations, Sex Crimes Laws, Interviewing & Interrogation, and Investigations 101. Det. Hershman also presents at San Diego area colleges and universities on the subject of acquaintance rape and sexual assault by intoxication.

Det. Hershman is a life time member of the California Sexual Assault Investigators' Association, Det. Hershman has testified in the San Diego County court system as an expert in sex crimes investigations, false reporting and victimology. He is also a member of the End Violence Against Women International (EVAWI) cadre of experts.

Det. Hershman has trained thousands of law enforcement, military, prosecutors and advocates across the nation for the last 16 years.