



Local Private Investigator Receives Award

Rick Crouch California Private Investigator received the Police Associations Citizen of the Year Award.

(PRWEB) April 12, 2005 --Rick Crouch a California Private Investigator, received the Police Associations Citizen of the Year Award at an awards banquet held in California on Saturday April 09, 2005.

Rick Crouch was nominated by the Police Department for his assistance in locating one of Orange County's most wanted, Edward Chapin, "The Wizard", in Mexico.

Edward Chapin, a major methamphetamine manufacturer in the Garden Grove area, had fled to Mexico after being released on \$100,000.00 surety bond. After months of investigation, which included investigating erroneous reports of Edward Chapin having been killed by the drug cartel in Mexico, Rick Crouch, positively located Edward Chapin deep in Mexico where he was manufacturing methamphetamine and reportedly teaching others how to manufacture it. This information was passed on by Rick Mills to Detective Gatine and the F.B.I.

Edward Chapin was finally deported by the Mexican authorities and arrested at the border by the Border Patrol. He is currently in custody in Orange County Jail and his trial is set to begin in May 2005.

"If it was not for Rick Crouch, Eddie Chapin would still be in Mexico", said the police detective.

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