

## *About the Presenter*

**James Russell McCullar II:** Mr. McCullar is a Lieutenant with the City of Batesville (Mississippi) Fire Department and an Associate Instructor with the Mississippi State Fire Academy. He works shifts as a station officer over a ladder company. His responsibilities include instruction, maintenance, and research in firefighting and technical rescue. His firefighting and rescue career began with the Lafayette County Fire Department in Oxford, MS, as a volunteer firefighter, where he ascended to the rank of Station Captain. In 2009, he earned his Masters Degree in Homeland Security at the University of Mississippi where he also received a Bachelor of Business Administration in Management in 2005. Over a nine-year career, he maintains certificate training in excess of 2000 hours and over 1000 hours of certificate instruction in technical rescue. Mr. McCullar spends his time instructing other firefighters around the state of Mississippi and resides in Oxford, Mississippi.