

WINNING STRATEGIES & Fundamentals of Criminal Defense

May 10-12, 2012
Minneapolis, MN

The Winning Strategies Seminar brings together a dynamic group of attorneys, professionals and judges, speaking on a wide variety of topics, all specifically designed to keep Panel Attorneys abreast of the most recent and important developments in federal criminal defense. Sessions include both large plenary lectures as well as smaller "break-out" lectures that meet the specific needs of the advanced practitioner and the less experienced attorney alike. Sessions will include such topics as new sentencing strategies in a post-Booker world, neutralizing and using experts, immigration-related defenses and the new Padilla requirements, understanding and defending computer crimes, persuading judges to move away from over-dependence on the Guidelines, how to attack notices pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 851, defending gun cases, recurring issues in drug cases, how to best take advantage of proffers and cooperation, Supreme Court updates, and ethics.

The "Fundamentals of Federal Criminal Practice" May 10, 2012

The Fundamentals of Federal Criminal Defense Program is a one-day program specifically designed with the new practitioner in mind. Despite your years of practice in other areas of law, if you are new to the world of federal criminal defense, this program will introduce you to a number of vital areas which are essential when providing effective representation in federal criminal court. Unlike more advanced programs, attendees will have the luxury of learning, asking questions and working with other attendees who are likewise new to this difficult area of practice. The Fundamentals Track is a rare opportunity for new CJA panel attorneys, and those that have applied for panel membership, to hear a dynamic group of attorneys, professionals, and judges speak on a wide variety of topics most vital to providing robust and effective representation.

***Financial Assistance is available for these programs**

"I look forward to attending more of these trainings as I grow into a more proficient federal defense attorney."

"High quality speakers, content, organization, administration writing was just superb. Thank you!"

"Please continue these fabulous programs. The speakers are top-notch and they make learning enjoyable."

"Thank God for the Training Branch, www.fd.org and a government that still pays to help defend the same people it accuses and imprisons."

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2008 Winning Strategies Seminars,
New Orleans, LA & Scottsdale, AZ



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