



The Public Defender Association of Pennsylvania
Emerging Leader Academy
Motions Workshop



Presentation Schedule

Friday, May 17, 2024 – Sunday, May 19, 2024
Penn Stater Hotel and Conference Center
215 Innovation Blvd • State College, PA 16803

Faculty: Andrew Capone, Jonathan Coumes, Amita Maram, Sara Jacobson

Mentor Faculty: Sam Encarnacion, Adam Reynolds, Kelly McLaughlin

Presenters: Jaime Schuman, Tess Senderowicz

Exercise – Participants will engage in an activity. – For some of the writing exercise, participants will be broken into writing teams. We will assign one or two faculty to each team.

Lecture – Presenter will teach on a specific topic.

Discussion – Faculty will lead an interactive dialogue about a specific topic.

Mock Proceeding – Faculty will reenact a proceeding from a transcript.

Friday, 5/17/24 (4 CLE Credits)

1:00 to 1:30: Introduction to the Motions Workshop (Capone)

1:30 to 2:30: Exercise: Building a Trial Binder and Discussing the Case File (Capone and Adam Reynolds)

2:30 to 2:45: Break

2:45 to 3:45: Lecture: Motions 101 (Tess Senderowicz)

3:45 to 4:00: Break

4:00 to 4:30: Discussion: Drafting an Omnibus Pretrial Motion in the Andre case (Adam Reynolds and Sam Encarnacion)

4:30 to 5:30: Exercise: Participants Draft an Omnibus Pretrial Motion for the Andre Case (All Faculty)

Saturday, 5/18/24 (7 CLE Credits)

8:00 to 8:30: Breakfast

8:30 to 9:00: Discussion: Review Sample Omnibus Pretrial Motion and Discuss Participant Drafts (Capone)

9:00 to 10:00: Lecture: Motions to Suppress (Jonathan Coumes and Adam Reynolds)

10:00-10:30: Discussion: Drafting a Motion to Suppress in the Andre case (Amita Maram and Andrew Capone)

10:30 to 11:30: Exercise: Participants Draft a Motion to Suppress in the Andre Case (All Faculty)

11:30 to 12:00: Discussion: Review Sample Motion to Suppress and Discuss Participant Drafts (Amita Maram and Capone)

12:00 to 1:00: Lunch

1:00 to 1:30: Mock Suppression Hearing (All Faculty)

1:30 – 2:00: Discussion: Drafting a Brief in Support of a Motion to Suppress in the Andre Case (Kelly McLaughlin and Amita Maram)

2:00 - 4:00: Exercise: Participants Draft a Brief in Support of Motion to Suppress on Andre Case (All Faculty) Team Exercise - last 30 minutes argue brief as group to faculty member. (immediate feedback) - assign 1 or 2 faculty to each team.

4:00 - 4:30 Discussion: Review Sample Brief in Support of Motion to Suppress and Discuss Participant Drafts (Kelly McLaughlin and Amita Maram)

7:00: Pizza and Discussion: informal gathering at pizza location/ bar where participants can discuss motions they are working on with each other and with faculty. I am still working on finding the right venue for this.

Sunday, 5/19/24 (5 CLE Credits)

8:30 - 9:00: Breakfast

9:00 – 9:30: Mock Trial and Sentencing (All Faculty)

9:30 - 10:30: Previously Recorded Lecture: Post Sentence Motions and Nunc Pro Tunc (Jamie Schuman)

10:30 – 11:00: Exercise: Participants Draft a Petition to Accept Post Sentence Motion Nunc Pro Tunc for the Andre Case (All Faculty)

11:00 – 11:30: Discussion: Review Sample Nunc Pro Tunc Petition and Discuss Participant Drafts (Capone and Kelly McLaughlin)

11:30 – 12:00: Discussion: Drafting a Post Sentence Motion in the Andre Case (Jonathan Coumes and Sam Encarnacion)

12:00 – 1:30: Working Lunch Exercise: Participants Draft a Post Sentence Motion for the Andre Case (All Faculty)

1:30 - 2:00: Discussion: Review Sample Post Sentence Motion and Discuss Participant Drafts (Jonathan Coumes and Sam Encarnacion)

2:00 – 3:00: Graduation and Closing Remarks