



The Defense Never Rests

**A Newsletter for CJA Panel Attorneys
for the Eastern District of Louisiana**

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SPECIAL EDITION!

We are pleased to present this special edition of
The Defense Never Rests
devoted entirely to CJA-CLE opportunities.

Read on for more. . .

CLE OPPORTUNITIES ABOUND!

**The Federal Judicial Center
presents a National Seminar
for Federal Defenders**

**June 5 - 7, 2000
New Orleans, Louisiana**

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This year, our office will host the National Federal Defender Seminar at Le Meridien Hotel. As the host office, we can invite ten of our CJA panel members to attend the conference! With a ninety member panel, it will be necessary to hold a lottery to make the decision. If you wish to attend the seminar, please return the attached "lottery ticket" no later than April 28, 2000. The drawing will be held on May 1, 2000.

This is a wonderful opportunity for free continuing legal education and training from some of the best in the country. Topic highlights of the seminar include computers and pornography, Supreme Court update, evidence, warrantless searches, ethics, and speaker Sister Helen Prejean, author of "Dead Man Walking."

Send in your lottery ticket today!

**Continuing Legal Education Seminar
for the Criminal Justice Act Panel
of the Eastern District of Louisiana**

**June 7 - 8, 2000
New Orleans, Louisiana**

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This year, instead of our usual November CJA-CLE, we are taking the opportunity to follow on the heels of the National Federal Defender Seminar. By doing so, we are going to be able to provide those not able to attend the National seminar some of the same excellent speakers.

We anticipate presenting our seminar immediately after the National Federal Public Defender Seminar ends on Wednesday, June 7, 2000, at Le Meridien, from 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. We will continue our seminar on Thursday, June 8, 2000, from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. at the United States District Court jury assembly room. A total of 12 hours of CLE credit will be offered. Topics will include appellate and trial skills. The plans are being finalized and a specific agenda will be sent to those who register. This is open to all panel members, not just the ten who attend the national seminar.

Send in your registration today!

**WINNING STRATEGIES FOR
DEFENDING FEDERAL
CRIMINAL CASES**

For those of you who are looking to get out of town for a few days, how about combining it with a CLE opportunity? The Administrative Office of the U.S. Courts is presenting a free seminar for CJA panel attorneys. The attendee is, of course, responsible for the cost of his/her own travel, hotel accommodations and meals.

The seminars will be presented:

May 18-20	Kansas City, Missouri
July 6-8	Boston, Massachusetts
Sept 21-23	San Antonio, Texas

There may be space still available for the May seminar in Kansas City. Information on the topics presented is provided on the application form attached to this newsletter.

If you are interested, return the application to the Federal Defender Training Group in Washington, D.C., right away!

**FEDERAL JUDICIAL CENTER
SUPREME COURT UPDATE
SATELLITE BROADCAST**

Coming in July, 2000, the Federal Judicial Center will present the *Supreme Court 1999-2000: The Term in Review*. This broadcast is pending approval for approximately 2 hours of CLE credit. Stay tuned for more details!

A videotape of the March 1st presentation on Sentencing Guidelines Departures is available in the Federal Public Defender's Office.