

Friday, January 23, 2026

2 – 5:15 p.m.

Criminal Law Section

3.0 MCLE Credit Hours, including 3.0 JCLE Credit Hours for Circuit Court Judges

Supreme Court Commission on CLE Course #: 260136

Room Location: Chatham B Ballroom

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Join the Criminal Law section for a lively program focusing on both current trends in the world of criminal law and a refresher on frequent trial advocacy concepts. The seminar will begin with Judge William McKinnon providing a case law update from a Judicial perspective. Representative Micah Caskey and Senator Overture Walker will follow with an update from the General Assembly on both new and proposed criminal legislation. The program will then turn to a presentation on Cell Phone forensic analysis that will be beneficial to both new and experienced members of the Bench and Bar. The last hour will include “can’t miss” refreshers from numerous members of the South Carolina Judiciary who will be joined by skilled practitioners for panel discussions on familiar subjects to include cross examination and how to avoid creating PCR issues during the pendency of a case.

Agenda

2 – 2:40 p.m.

Judicial Update

The Honorable William McKinnon
Circuit Court Judge
York, SC

2:40 – 3:20 p.m.

Legislative Update

Representative Micajah P. “Micah” Caskey, IV
SC House of Representatives/Caskey Law Firm, P.A.
West Columbia, SC

Senator Overture Walker
SC Senate/Stoney and Walker, LLC
Columbia, SC

3:20 - 3:35 p.m.

Break

3:35 – 4:05 p.m.

Cross Examination Refresher: Tips and Tricks

The Honorable Heath P. Taylor
Circuit Court Judge
Orangeburg, SC

The Honorable Letitia H. Verdin
Associate Justice of the South Carolina Supreme Court
Columbia, SC

Derek Bush
Second Circuit Public Defender's Office

Aiken, SC

4:05 – 4:45 p.m. **Cell Phone Forensic Analysis**

Major Ricky Johnson
Richland County Sheriff's Department
Columbia, SC

4:45 - 5:15 p.m. **The Art of Avoiding Potential PCR Landmines**

The Honorable Robert E. Hood
Circuit Court Judge
Columbia, SC

The Honorable Debra R. McCaslin
Circuit Court Judge
Lexington, SC

Josh Kendrick
Kendrick & Leonard, P.C.
Greenville, SC

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