

## CRIMINAL LAW PRACTICE PRIMER

### TRACK 1: Criminal Law and Procedure



**WEDNESDAYS > JANUARY 14, 21 & 28, 2026**

**6.0 CLE credits\* (5.5 Law and Legal Procedure + 0.5 Ethics).**

**\*Complete optional homework to earn additional 1.0 Other CLE credit**

\$275 - Standard

\$79 - New Members

**NOTE:** Members who do not qualify for the New Member pricing can benefit from a tuition discount by purchasing all three tracks for \$600.00 and earn up to 21.0 CLE credits for attending, plus additional CLE credit for completing the optional homework in each track.

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#### **TRACK 1: Criminal Law and Procedure**

- **Jan. 14 – Session 1:** Rules of Engagement
- **Jan. 21 – Session 2:** Building a Defense
- **Jan. 28 – Session 3:** Collateral Consequences and Alternatives

#### **TRACK 2: Motions, Negotiations, and Trial**

- **Feb. 11 – Session 1:** Motions: Shaping Your Case Before Trial
- **Feb. 18 – Session 2:** Preparing for Trial: Common Defenses, Testimony, and Experts
- **Feb. 25 – Session 3:** Resolving a Case Short of Trial

#### **TRACK 3: Introduction to Felonies**

- **Mar. 11 – Session 1:** Scoring Basics – SRA 101
- **Mar. 18 – Session 2:** Exceptional Sentences and Aggravators
- **Mar. 25 – Session 3:** Final Considerations for the New Attorney

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#### **SCHEDULE**

##### **Session 1 – Wednesday, January 14, 2026**

**8:40 a.m. > Webcast Sign-In Opens**

**8:55 a.m. > Welcome and Introductions**

**9:00 a.m. > Rules of Engagement**

**120 minutes, 1.5 credits L&LP + 0.5 Ethics**

Faculty will discuss how a criminal defense attorney would initially approach and build a case, including the release arguments (CrR 3.2), confidentiality, client communication, the initial client visit, and assessing client competency. Faculty will assign optional homework.

**10:00 a.m. > BREAK (15 Minutes)**

**10:15 a.m. > Rules of Engagement (Cont.)**

**11:15 a.m. > Adjourn • Complete Online Evaluations**

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**8:40 a.m. > Webcast Sign-In Opens**

**8:55 a.m. > Welcome and Introductions**

**9:00 a.m. > Building a Defense**

*120 minutes, 2.0 credits L&LP*

This session will examine the defense attorney's primary considerations at this stage of a criminal case, including reading and managing discovery documents, investigations, and basic legal defenses. Faculty will assign optional homework.

**10:00 a.m. > BREAK (15 Minutes)**

**10:15 a.m. > Building a Defense (Cont.)**

**11:15 a.m. > Adjourn • Complete Online Evaluations**

### Session 3 – Wednesday, January 28, 2026

**8:40 a.m. > Webcast Sign-In Opens**

**8:55 a.m. > Welcome and Introductions**

**9:00 a.m. > Collateral Consequences and Alternatives**

*120 minutes, 2.0 credits L&LP*

In this last session of Track 1, faculty will provide an overview of collateral consequences of a criminal conviction, including a brief discussion of immigration consequences as well as diversion and treatment alternatives. Faculty will touch upon considerations around local rules and court cultures.

**10:00 a.m. > BREAK (15 Minutes)**

**10:15 a.m. > Collateral Consequences and Alternatives (Cont.)**

**11:15 a.m. > Adjourn • Complete Online Evaluations**

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**1/14/26, 1/21/26, 1/28/26**

☐ \$275.00 – Standard

☐ \$79.00 – New Member\*

*\*New members who have been admitted to practice in Washington for fewer than 5 years are eligible to receive the discounted tuition.*

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**1/14/26, 1/21/26, 1/28/26**

☐ **#NME260200 WEB, attend online**  
**2/11/26, 2/18/26, 2/25/26**

☐ **#NME260300 WEB, attend online**  
**3/11/26, 3/18/26, 3/25/26**

☐ \$600.00 – Standard\*\*

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