FEDERAL PUBLIC DEFENDER Southern District of Texas

FEDERAL SENTENCING GUIDELINES AMENDMENT UPDATE

CJA Panel Training

Live Zoom Presentation Wednesday, May 31, 2023

ANNOUNCEMENT

After three years with no quorum, the U.S. Sentencing Commission is operational again. In April 2023, the Commission voted to promulgate numerous proposed Guidelines amendments. Absent Congressional action, these amendments will go into effect on November 1, 2023. As part of our jobs as federal practitioners we are constantly consulting and advising our clients on the U.S.S.C. Sentencing Guidelines and how the Guidelines may impact a potential sentence.

This CLE will provide attendees with training on the anticipated amendments as well as the legal arguments for requesting that favorable amendments be applied before the effective date and for blocking unfavorable amendments from increasing some clients' Guidelines range.

The State Bar of Texas MCLE Department has approved this seminar for **1.0 hrs. of CLE credit** (Course No. 174197953). There is no cost for participants or for those attorneys wishing to apply for the CLE credit. If you have any questions, contact Dora Madrigal at Dora Madrigal@fd.org.

AGENDA

12:00 – 1:00 **Federal Sentencing Guidelines Amendment Update** *Kathryn Shephard, Asst. Federal Public Defender, SDTX, Houston, TX*

Pending approval for 1.0 hours of CLE credit by the State Bar of Texas MCLE Department. (Course No. 174197953)

This seminar is for attorneys eligible or seeking to become eligible to take CJA appointments.

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Closer to May 31, registrants will receive instructions on connecting via Zoom in their email."