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SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

January 30, 2026

Annual Winter Seminar

7:30	Check-In and Breakfast
8:00	Annual Board of Directors Meeting
8:55	Opening Remarks and Welcome: AACJ Fall Seminar
9:00	How Not to Ruin Your Sex Offense Client's Remedies on Review <i>Randy McDonald and Keith Hilzendeger will discuss developments in post-conviction and habeas cases that could affect Arizona prisoners and help you represent your clients more effectively. (1 hr)</i>
10:00	Break
10:15	Strategies for Defending Sex Crimes <i>Katie Krtejci will provide important training for pretrial and trial defense of sex crimes. (1 hr)</i>
11:30	Legislative Priorities and Developments <i>Marilyn Rodriguez will discuss exciting developments in our legislative work, with a potential guest appearance from Representative Khyl Powell. (.5 hr)</i>
12:00	AACJ Awards Luncheon
1:00	Explore Art Museum on Your Own
2:00	Case Law Update <i>Grace Guisewite will give an update on new cases affecting criminal defense clients and practitioners. (1 hr)</i>
3:00	Coffee Break
3:15	Ethics Under Pressure <i>Molly Brizgys and Kathy Brody will present on ethics when you and the system are under strain. (.5 hr ethics)</i>
3:45	The Eighth Amendment - Then and Now Bob McWhirter presents the history of the Eighth Amendment and current events in cruel and unusual punishment. (1 hr)
4:45	Closing Remarks
5:00	AACJ Board and Award Recipient Reception <i>Join us in welcoming the AACJ award recipients and the incoming 2026 Board of Directors.</i>