# **Online Resources for Attorneys**

#### A. National Resources

- **1. SCOTUS Blog:** Comprehensive coverage of U.S. Supreme Court, including links to all briefs and opinions, pre- and post- argument coverage, statistics, and relevant videos. Available at: <a href="http://www.scotusblog.com">http://www.scotusblog.com</a>
- 2. National Association of Criminal Defense Attorneys (NACDL): Website includes some free materials, with much wider variety of materials available for NACDL paid members. Available at: https://www.nacdl.org
- **3. National Association for Public Defense:** National organization; website includes wide variety of free materials. Note that some SADO subscriptions include membership in NAPD.

Available at: <a href="http://www.publicdefenders.us">http://www.publicdefenders.us</a>

**4. Sentencing Law and Policy Blog:** Comprehensive coverage of federal sentencing issues. Blog also includes links to other topical resources, including other criminal law and procedure blogs.

Available at: <a href="http://sentencing.typepad.com">http://sentencing.typepad.com</a>

**5. Capital Defense Network:** Resources primarily for state and federal capital counsel, and those involved in habeas corpus litigation. Resources include case summaries, including comprehensive coverage of all successful post-*Strickland* ineffectiveness opinions, as well as others pivotal cases (*Massiah/Henry*, etc.).

Available at: <a href="https://www.capdefnet.org">https://www.capdefnet.org</a>

**6. The Marshall Project:** A non-profit news organization that covers the U.S. criminal justice system.

Available at: <a href="https://www.themarshallproject.org">https://www.themarshallproject.org</a>

#### **B.** Michigan-based Resources

**1. SADO's CDRC Subscriptions:** Three-tiered subscription service for MI criminal defense practitioners. Resources include access to trainings, Criminal Defense Newsletter, Forum

listserv, the Defender Book Series, and more. Also offering annual inexpensive subscriptions to Westlaw for MAACS roster attorneys.

Available at: <a href="http://www.sado.org/Page/13/CDRC-CDRC-Membership">http://www.sado.org/Page/13/CDRC-CDRC-Membership</a>

**2. SADO's Forum Listserv:** Listserv for criminal defense attorneys; access is available through SADO subscription service.

Available at: http://www.sado.org/Page/13/CDRC-CDRC-Membership

**3. SADO's Criminal Defense Newsletter:** Monthly newsletter published since 1977, covering topics of interest to MI criminal defense practitioners. Access is available through SADO subscription service.

Available at: <a href="http://www.sado.org/Page/13/CDRC-CDRC-Membership">http://www.sado.org/Page/13/CDRC-CDRC-Membership</a>

- **4. SBM E-journal:** Summaries of opinions from the MI state and federal appellate courts. Available at: http://www.michbar.org/e-journal
- 5. Opinion & Order Subscription for MI Appellate Courts: Email subscription service for MI appellate court opinions and orders, and MI court news. Available at: <a href="http://courts.mi.gov/opinions">http://courts.mi.gov/opinions</a> orders/subscribe-to-opinions-and-orders/pages/default.aspx
- **6. MI SCT Press Releases:** Press releases from the Michigan Supreme Court. Available at: <a href="http://courts.mi.gov/news-events/press-releases/pages/default.aspx">http://courts.mi.gov/news-events/press-releases/pages/default.aspx</a>
- **7. Michigan Judicial Institute:** Access to judicial bench books covering a wide variety of topics.

Available at: <a href="https://mjieducation.mi.gov/">https://mjieducation.mi.gov/</a>

- **8. Darrow Listserv:** Active listserv used by MI criminal defense practitioners. Available at: Contact Josh Blachard (josh@miercarr.com)
- **9.** Warner Norcross One Court of Justice Blog: Case summaries and discussion of MI appellate opinions. Postings are made by members of firm's Appellate Practice Group. Available at: <a href="http://www.wnj.com/Blogs/Appellate">http://www.wnj.com/Blogs/Appellate</a>

## C. Michigan Legislative Resources

1. Michigan Legislature: View and track legislation.

Available at: https://www.legislature.mi.gov

2. SBM Public Policy Resource Center: View and track legislation by specialty area. Site also provides a searchable database of all positions taken by the State Bar and its sections and committees.

Available at: https://www.michbar.org/publicpolicy

**3. Michigan Votes:** Track voting history by keyword, legislator, bill number, category, missed votes, etc.

Available at: <a href="http://www.michiganvotes.org">http://www.michiganvotes.org</a>

### **D.** Other Resources

- **1. Westlaw Alerts:** Permits the creation of up to 500 customized alerts per password, to track cases, filings, publications, docketing, etc. Requires Westlaw subscription. Available at: <a href="https://www.westlaw.com">www.westlaw.com</a>
- **2. Sixth Circuit Blog**: Summaries of selection opinions from the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit.

Available at: <a href="http://circuit6.blogspot.com">http://circuit6.blogspot.com</a>