

# TBA Criminal Law Forum

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**Total Credits:** 3 General, 1 Dual



When practicing criminal law, it is important to stay on top of trends and developments in this ever-changing arena. This annual staple for Tennessee lawyers will address essential, timely topics designed to enrich your practice and keep you at the forefront of the field.

- 10 – 11 a.m. CST    **Police Misconduct and the U.S. Supreme Court**  
*This session will focus on the most problematic aspects of police culture and how the Supreme Court has inhibited reform.*  
Prof. Christopher Slobogin, Vanderbilt University
- 11 a.m. – 12 p.m.    **Kilo to Zero: Seizing Assets from Drug Trafficking Organizations**  
*This panel will feature experts discussing asset seizures and forfeitures, including a look into real cases and a practical overview on these actions.*  
Karen Litwin, Tenn. Department of Safety and Homeland Security  
Kristen Shields, Cotney Construction Law  
Marquie Young, Tenn. Department of Safety and Homeland Security  
Robert Young, Covert Results LLC
- 12 – 12:30 p.m.    **Break**
- 12:30 – 1:30 p.m.    **Best Practices in Post-conviction Proceedings**  
*This panel will provide practitioners with the essentials of representing a defendant during the post-conviction stage, with insight from the appellate and trial bench as well as from the Office of the Tennessee Post-conviction Defender.*  
Judge Robert L. Holloway Jr., Tennessee Court of Criminal Appeals  
Andrew Harris, Tennessee Office of the Post-Conviction Defender  
David Watkins, Tennessee Office of the Post-Conviction Defender  
Samantha Simpson, Office of the Tenn. Attorney Gen.– Crim. Appeals Div.

1:30 - 2:30 p.m.

**DUAL**

**Digital Evidence, Discovery and Exculpatory Evidence**

*Digital evidence comes with a unique set of challenges regarding preservation, disclosure, authentication and admissibility. This presentation will focus on the ethical challenges every criminal law practitioner needs to be aware of when dealing with the broad range of digital evidence which has become almost ubiquitous in every case.*

**John Morris, Nashville Vanguard Law PLLC**