



Juvenile Defender Conference

August 19, 2026 / Chapel Hill, NC

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Wednesday, August 19

8:00-8:30 am	<i>Check In</i>
8:30-8:45	Welcome and Updates from the Office of the Juvenile Defender Timothy Heinle, Albert and Gladys Coates Term Professor UNC School of Government, Chapel Hill, NC Eric Zogry, Juvenile Defender, Office of the Juvenile Defender
8:45-10:15	"My Client Said What? Is There a Basis For Suppression?" (90 min.) Jacqui Greene, Associate Professor of Public Law & Government UNC School of Government, Chapel Hill, NC Terri Johnson, Assistant Juvenile Defender, Office of the Juvenile Defender
10:15-10:30	<i>Break</i>
10:30-11:30	Forensic Interviewing of Children: Best Practices and Expert Consultation (60 min.) Dr. John Helminski, Forensic Psychologist, Morrisville, NC
11:30-11:45	<i>Break</i>
11:45-12:45	Working with Juvenile Prosecutors and Court Counselors (60 min.) J. Kyle Smith, Assistant District Attorney, 36 th Prosecutorial District
12:45-1:30 pm	<i>Lunch</i>
1:30-2:30	Defending Kids in Contempt Hearings (60 min.) David Andrews, Assistant Appellate Defender, Office of the Appellate Defender
2:30-2:45	<i>Break</i>
2:45-3:45	Ethical and Practical Considerations in Complex Cases [Ethics] (60 min.) Aleta Ballard, Attorney, Ballard Law Firm, Smithfield, NC
3:45	<i>Adjourn</i>

CLE HOURS: 5.5

*including 1 hours of Ethics
(pending State Bar approval)*