



U.S. Sentencing Commission Agenda Western District of Kentucky – Louisville September 24, 2025

Wednesday, September 24, 2025

9:00 am – 9:15 am	Opening Remarks - Introduction
9:15 am – 10:30 am	Federal Sentencing Update This session will discuss the proposed 2025 Guideline Amendments, sentencing cases and highlight Western District of Kentucky sentencing statistics.
10:30 am – 10:45 am	Break
10:45 am – 12:00 pm	Immigration This session will address common guideline application issues in immigration cases including alien smuggling and illegal reentry cases.
12:00 pm – 1:00 pm	Lunch
1:00 pm – 2:15 pm	Common Helpline Questions and Advanced Topics This session will focus on questions most frequently asked of the helpline and advanced topics involving the guidelines
2:15 pm – 2:30 pm	Break
2:30 pm – 3:30 pm	Case Law This session will focus on recent Supreme Court and Sixth Circuit sentencing cases, and highlight Western District of Kentucky



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Angela Walker, Senior Attorney in the Office of Education and Sentencing Practice, joined the U.S. Sentencing Commission in 2025. Before coming to the Commission, Angela was a Senior Attorney with the Firearms and Explosives Law Division of the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives. Prior to that role, she served as an Assistant U.S. Attorney with the U.S. Attorney's Office for the District of Arizona for over sixteen years, focusing on prosecution of violent offenses and weapons trafficking. Angela also prosecuted a wide variety of other federal offenses, served in the Office's Civil Division, and handled a significant number of appellate matters.

Angela received her undergraduate degree from the University of Wisconsin, and her juris doctorate from the University of Arizona James E. Rogers College of Law. Following law school, Angela served as a law clerk and practiced as a Deputy County Attorney in the Special Victims Unit of the Pima County Attorney's Office for three years. She was an adjunct professor at the University of Arizona James E. Rogers College of Law for seven years, where she taught advanced criminal procedure. She has also organized and presented at numerous Continuing Legal Education courses, judicial conferences, law enforcement training programs, and other legal seminars.





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Pete Madsen, Senior Education and Sentencing Practice Specialist in the Office of Education and Sentencing Practice, has been on the staff of the U.S. Sentencing Commission, Washington, D.C. since April 2015.

Prior to coming to the U.S. Sentencing Commission, Pete was a U.S. Probation Officer in the District of Minnesota for eight years. He also worked for two and a half years in the Northern District of Texas and one year in the Southern District of Ohio.

Pete graduated from the University of Minnesota-Duluth with a Bachelor of Arts degree in Criminology and Sociology, and from Nova Southeastern University with a Master of Science degree in Criminal Justice.

