

The logo for the State Appellate Defender Office (SADO) consists of the letters 'S', 'A', 'D', and 'O' in a bold, sans-serif font. Each letter is contained within a dark blue square, and the squares are arranged horizontally. The letters are white, with the 'S' and 'O' having a slight shadow effect.

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Tuesday, February 20, 2024
Noon-1:30 pm | Up to 1.5 CLE
Via Zoom

SORA: Unlocking the Byzantine Code

The Sixth Circuit has called SORA a “byzantine code governing in minute detail the lives of” people on the registry. The Michigan Supreme Court has described SORA as a “publicly accessible database that imposed significant restrictions on the lives of registrants.”

This training will cover how we ended up with such a broad statute that fails to protect the public, which offenses require registration, the plethora of duties imposed by SORA, and objections to registration at sentencing. The training will also include a case law update on all things SORA.

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