## February 2027 Planning Recap, Research, and Working Materials

Good afternoon, morning and afternoon coordinating judges

Afternoon coordinating judge, thank you again for Monday's conversation. Here's where things stand for February 2027 and the materials to start working from.

### What I took from Monday

- **Morning:** criminal victims' rights, the constitutional framework and judicial responsibilities, with a panel bringing together counsel and advocacy perspectives.
- **Afternoon:** Comings & Goings, at least 45 minutes for the exercise and 15–20 minutes for debrief, alongside practical discussion of domestic violence protective orders and courtroom practices.
- **Across the day:** time for judges to compare approaches across courthouses and identify practices they can use. The trauma, memory, and credibility segment should give you room to answer the question you raised: what additional information helps a judge assess what they're hearing.

**Afternoon coordinating judge,** the clinical presenter is confirmed for February 2027. Where she fits into the afternoon is for you and her to decide once we have a faculty meeting.

### Materials, in SharePoint

- **Working agenda** [LINK]. **Start here.** An editable outline of both sessions with proposed time allocations, teaching approaches, and assignments. Mark it up directly or comment as you build it out.
- **Research binder** [LINK]. One navigable PDF: Maryland court filings, service demand, and survivor accounts, followed by research on survivor barriers, judicial education, simulation, and debriefing. Annotated for findings, limitations, and possible teaching uses. Clickable contents and bookmarks, so you can use it by topic.
- Morning and afternoon slide skeletons will follow soon.

If either of you finds a resource worth the team seeing, whether it's background reading for planning or something to put in front of judges on the day, the SharePoint is open for faculty submissions.

These are starting points, not a finished plan. The next step is your shared outline: morning contributors, afternoon sequence, and activity choices. I'll build from your direction, follow up on the roster overlap, and set up a joint check-in. We're aiming for rough slides in hand before the winter holiday.

Best,

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