

Speaking Engagements

Sergio Acosta and Michael Kelly to Speak on Federal Criminal Law

April 10, 2025

1:00 PM – 4:30 PM ET

444 West Lake Street

Suite 900

Chicago, IL

Sergio Acosta, Co-Chair of Akerman’s White Collar Crime and Government Investigations Practice, and Michael Kelly will speak on a panel titled “Hot Topics, Practice Tips & Current Developments in Federal Criminal Law” presented by the Federal Bar Association Chicago Chapter. The panel will feature expert analysis from top Federal criminal law practitioners, U.S. District Court Judges, and former U.S. Attorneys for the Northern District of Illinois. This program will cover key developments and strategies in federal criminal law, including:

- Defense Victories in High-Profile Federal Cases – A look at how three major prosecutions resulted in defense wins.
- Newsmakers Interview – Former U.S. Attorneys Zachary Fardon and John Lausch discuss the evolving landscape of federal prosecutions in the NDIL.
- A View From the Bench – U.S. District Court Judges John Blakey, Sharon Johnson Coleman, and John Kness share best practices for federal criminal trials and sentencing hearings.

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