Federal criminal cases in the post-Booker era: Process vs. Outcomes

Conference Schedule February 25, 2011
Social and Behavioral Sciences Gateway (SBSG) 1517

10:00am – 10:15am Welcome

10:15am – 12:00pm Morning Session
Steven Chanenson, Villanova University
News We Can Use: Prosecutors and sentencing

Paul Hofer, Johns Hopkins & Federal Public Defender’s Office
Has Booker Restored Balance?: A Look At Data On Plea Bargaining and Sentencing

Jeffrey Ulmer, Pennsylvania State University
Beyond Disparity: What Can Analyses of Federal Sentencing Data Tell Us About Changes in Federal Case Processing Post-Booker and Gall?

Discussant: Carroll Seron, University of California, Irvine

12:00pm – 12:30pm Lunch Break

12:30pm – 2:15pm Afternoon session
Douglas Berman, Ohio State University
Can we at least create—and also assess and maintain—a fair, transparent, and equitable federal sentencing process?

Amy Farrell, Northeastern University
Explaining District Variation in Sentencing in the Post-Booker Period

Judge John Gleeson, US District Court, Eastern District of NY
From 18:1 to Real Reform: A Call for Leadership in Federal Sentencing Policy for Drug Offenses

Discussant: Jennifer Chacon, University of California, Irvine

2:30pm – 4:00pm Roundtable discussion/workshop on the state of criminal courts Research
Carrie Hempel, Mona Lynch, and Geoff Ward, University of California, Irvine

4:00pm – 5:00pm Informal Reception

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