

The A to Z of Com. v. A. Z.:

Unlawful Detention/Hospitalization in the Context of Competency Evaluations

Though it is approaching two years since the SJC decided A. Z., 493 Mass. 427 (2024), unlawful bail revocations and commitment orders arising from criminal-case competency evaluations remain dismayingly common. This 90-minute webinar will help attorneys identify A. Z. violations; will apprise them of recent and pending litigation on the topic; and will provide information about resources and strategies which can be used to defend clients' liberty interests. Faculty will include Beau Kealy, MHLT Training Director; Jennifer Magaw, PDD-Fall River; Benjamin Selman, Forensic Services Director; and Michaela Martin Strout, Strategic Litigation Unit.

Nov. 4, 2025 1:00-2:30pm

Register in advance for this meeting:

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