

Keeping Up With Correctional Law

SCDC General Counsel Presents at ACA Conference

Department of Corrections' General Counsel David Tatarsky recently joined Kathleen M. Kenney, Assistant Director/General Counsel of the Federal Bureau of Prisons, in addressing attendees of the annual American Corrections Association at the ACA Winter Conference in New Orleans, Louisiana on matters of law affecting correctional institutions.

“Keeping up With Correctional Law” was the topic of their briefing during the January 22-27 meeting held at the New Orleans Ernest N. Morial Convention Center. Tatarsky and Ms. Kenney have teamed up several times over the past few years to update participants on the latest legal issues of interest facing correctional systems nationally.

Tatarsky say that the Prison Litigation Reform Act (PLRA), the Discretionary Function Exception and how it relates to the Federal Tort Reform Claims Act, the Death Penalty, Restrictive Housing, Gender Dysphoria (transgender inmates), and inmate marriage were the topics of particular interest.

Tatarsky also reviewed SCDC's progress in the Mental Health Class Action lawsuit, discussed Capital Punishment and the state's efforts to purchase drugs for lethal injection, drones and throwovers, cell phones and social media, gang issues and FOIA among other issues.

