

FEDERATION OF DEFENSE & CORPORATE COUNSEL



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DEFENSE LAWYERS. DEFENSE LEADERS.

A Place for Everyone at Charleston Place!

**FDCC WINTER MEETING
FEBRUARY 23-27, 2025**

**THE CHARLESTON PLACE HOTEL
CHARLESTON, SOUTH CAROLINA**



**The Charleston Place Hotel
has been recognized by
Conde' Nast Traveler as one
of the Best Hotels and
Resorts in the World!**

Located in the heart of historic
downtown Charleston, it exudes luxury
and Southern charm featuring:

- Delicious food from award winning restaurants.
- An intimate lounge serving craft cocktails.
- World-class spa and fitness center
- Luxury-brand retail shopping



**Explore the history, architecture,
and cuisine of this vibrant city.
Immerse yourself in Charleston
with our many activities:**

- International African American Museum
- House, Garden, and Architectural Tours
- Art and Antique Shopping
- Cooking Classes
- Fishing, Kayaking, Sailing
- Pub, Brewery, and Barbecue Tours
- Golf, Pickleball, and Fun Run!

**Put on your best cocktail
attire and Walk the Red
Carpet at the Riviera Theater
for the final evening gala.**

Dance the night away or grab a
craft cocktail in the VIP area and
enjoy the spectacle.



**There's something for everyone at the
Winter Meeting in Charleston!**





Learning to Lead Being the Best One Can Be

Sunday, February 23

3:30 pm - 4:45 pm

New Member Orientation & Reception
Invitation Only

5:00 pm - 5:40 pm

Welcome Address

Hon. John W. Kittredge, Chief Justice,
South Carolina Supreme Court

6:00 pm - 8:00 pm

Welcome Reception

7:00 pm - late pm

Dine with Friends



Monday, February 24

8:00 am - 9:00 am

Substantive Law Section Programs

9:00 am - 12:30 pm

Plenary Session

Welcome from Charleston Mayor
William Cogswell.

Artificial Intelligence and the Law
Federal Judges' Panel

12:30 pm - 1:30 pm

Corporate Counsel Luncheon

1:30 pm - 5:00 pm

Excursions/Activities

7:00 pm - 10:00 pm

President's Reception at the
South Carolina Aquarium



Tuesday, February 25

8:00 am - 9:00 am

Substantive Law Section Programs

9:00 am - 12:00 pm

Plenary Session

Collapse of the Rule of Law

William Hubbard, Dean of the University of
South Carolina Law School

David Beasley, former Governor of
South Carolina

Trial Masters' Program

12:00 pm - 1:00 pm Diversity Luncheon

1:00 pm - 5:00 pm Excursions/Activities

5:00 pm - 7:00 pm Cocktail Reception

6:00 pm - late pm Dine with Friends

Wednesday, February 26

8:30 am - 9:30 pm

Diversity Equity and Inclusion Issues for
Businesses after the Supreme Court's ruling in
the Harvard case.

9:30 am - 10:45 am

Business Meeting

10:45 am - 12:00 pm

Keynote Presentation

The Compassionate Defense Trial Lawyer
and Avoiding Nuclear Verdicts

Callum McCann, Author

Dennis Fitzpatrick, Federal Prosecutor

Diane Foley, subject of the bestselling book
American Mother.

1:00 pm - 5:00 pm

Excursions/Activities

7:00 pm - 11:00 pm

Walk the Red Carpet Gala

Live band, dancing, VIP Lounge,
craft cocktails, carryin' on.