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I am concerned about the 12 hours of CLE. In my experience, there are just not that many CLE courses available specifically for criminal attorneys. If this requirement creates that demand, perhaps that will change. Maybe it would be better to start with 6 credits and increase that requirement over the next few years so that the supply can catch up to the demand.

The expense is another issue as well. 12 hours of CLE could easily be somewhere between \$1000-\$2000 a year. That's not even taking into account travel and accommodations if the locations are far. This can be quite a burden on attorneys, especially sole practitioners. If there's a way to get a discounted rate or a scholarship program if you are a public defender, I think that would help ease the burden.

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