

40th Annual Advanced Civil Trial Course

Wednesday

6.25 hours including 1 ethics

- 7:30 **Registration**
Coffee & Pastries Provided
- 8:55 **Welcoming Remarks**
Houston Course Director
Hon. Tracy E. Christopher, *Houston*
- 9:00 **1 Texas Supreme Court Update .75 hr (.25 ethics)**
Constance H. Pfeiffer, *Houston*

Beginning Stages of the Dispute

- 9:45 **2 Extraordinary Remedies .5 hr**
Karen C. Burgess, *Austin*
- 10:15 **Networking Break**
- 10:30 **15 Conducting Discovery with an Eye Toward Trial .75 hr**
Paul N. Gold, *Houston*
- 11:15 **4 Summary Judgments .5 hr**
David F. Johnson, *Fort Worth*
- 11:45 **Break - Lunch Provided**
- 12:00 **5 Luncheon Presentation: Federal and State Judges Panel .75 hr (.25 ethics)**
Moderator
Hon. Sylvia Matthews, *Houston*
Panelists
Hon. Alfred H. Bennett, *Houston*
Hon. Randy Wilson, *Houston*
Hon. Larry Weiman, *Houston*
- 12:45 **Break**
- 1:00 **6 Interlocutory Appeals .5 hr**
Stacy Obenhaus, *Dallas*
- 1:30 **7 Minding Insurance Coverage in Civil Trial .5 hr**
J. James Cooper, *Houston*
- 2:00 **Networking Break**
- 2:15 **14 Employment Law Update .75 hr**
Julie A. Springer, *Austin*
Philip Durst, *Austin*
- 3:00 **9 Threshold Dispositive Motions .75 hr**
Gregory P. Sapire, *Austin*
Mark C. Walker, *El Paso*

Civil Litigation Challenges in the 21st Century

- 3:45 **10 Going Paperless .5 hr**
Trey Peacock, *Houston*
D. Todd Smith, *Austin*
- 4:15 **Adjourn**

Thursday

6.5 hours including 2.5 ethics

- 8:00 **Coffee & Pastries Provided**
- 8:25 **Announcements**
- 8:30 **21 Percolating Conflicts Among the Texas Appellate Courts: Challenges for Trial Advocacy .75 hr**
Hon. Brett Busby, *Houston*
Hon. Kem Frost, *Houston*
Yvonne Ho, *Houston*
- 9:15 **12 Confidentiality and Rule 76A in Your Law Practice .5 hr ethics**
Tyler G. Doyle, *Houston*
- 9:45 **13 Social Media for Litigators .5 hr (.25 ethics)**
Laura Merritt, *Austin*
- 10:15 **Networking Break**
- 10:30 **8 Parallel Civil and Criminal Proceedings .75 hr (.25 ethics)**
David K. Isaak, *Houston*
Karima G. Maloney, *Houston*

Trial and Discovery

- 11:15 **3 Venue and Jurisdiction - Where Does the Case Belong .75 hr (.25 ethics)**
Michael C. Smith, *Marshall*
- 12:00 **Break - Lunch Provided**
- 12:15 **16 Luncheon Presentation: State Judges Panel - Dos and Don'ts 1 hr (.5 ethics)**
Moderator
Hon. Tracy E. Christopher, *Houston*
Panelists
Hon. Kristen Hawkins, *Houston*
Hon. Daryl L. Moore, *Houston*
Hon. Robert Schaffer, *Houston*
- 1:15 **Break**

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1:30	17	Cutting Edge Evidence Issues .75 hr (.25 ethics) Quentin Brogdon, <i>Dallas</i>
2:15	25	Post-Verdict Motion Practice .75 hr Roger W. Hughes, <i>Harlingen</i>
3:00		Networking Break
3:15	23	Attorney's Fees 5 hr (.25 ethics) April E. Lucas, <i>Austin</i>
3:45	20	Avoiding Legal Malpractice During Your Litigation .5 hr ethics April E. Lucas, <i>Austin</i> Douglas Dodds, <i>Austin</i>
4:15		Adjourn

Friday

3.5 hours including .25 ethics

8:00		Coffee & Pastries Provided
8:25		Announcements
8:30	11	Cyber Security for Lawyers .75 hr (.5 ethics) John M. Hardy, <i>Tyler</i> Giana Ortiz, <i>Arlington</i>
9:15	22	Beyond the Basics: Jury Charge Tips for the Experienced Trial Lawyer .75 hr Vasu Behara, <i>Austin</i> Kirsten M. Castaneda, <i>Dallas</i>
10:00	19	Expert Disqualification Issues .5 hr Maria W. Boyce, <i>Houston</i>
10:30		Networking Break
10:45	24	Effective Voir Dire and Opening .75 hr Moderator Erin E. Lunceford, <i>Houston</i> Panelists Andrew Caplan, <i>Houston</i> John Zavitsanos, <i>Houston</i>
11:30	18	Emerging Issues and New Procedural Traps in Business Tort Cases .5 hr Brian P. Lauten, <i>Dallas</i>
12:00		Adjourn

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