

Robert O. Dawson Juvenile Law Institute
31ST ANNUAL JUVENILE LAW CONFERENCE

FEBRUARY 25-28, 2018

HORSESHOE BAY RESORT | Horseshoe Bay, Texas



SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

16 HOURS (INCLUDING 3 HOURS OF ETHICS) | NUTS AND BOLTS MINI COURSE: 3 HOURS

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 25

Nuts & Bolts Mini Course – Bring Your Own Lunch
(Juvenile Law Basics for Beginners or Those Wanting a Refresher)
Salon E

11:45 am Primer on Juvenile Justice: Vocabulary, Age, and Offense Jurisdiction

Patricia Cummings, Attorney at Law
Round Rock, Texas

12:30 pm Before Adjudication: Custody, Detention, Deferred Prosecution, and Other Preliminaries

Cyndi Porter Gore, Presiding Judge
Allen Municipal Court

1:15 pm Break

1:30 pm Adjudication, Disposition, and Modification Hearings

Kim Hayes, Assistant District Attorney
Lubbock County District Attorney's Office

2:15 pm Certifications and Determinate Sentencing

Brian Fischer, Attorney at Law
Houston, Texas

3:00 pm Adjourn

3:00 pm David Hazlewood Memorial Miniature Golf Tournament Fundraiser

Miniature golf, food, cash bar, live music
Juvenile Law Foundation

10:30 am Break

10:45 am Signed, Sealed, Delivered: Understanding the New Juvenile Sealing Laws [1.0 Hour]

Nydia Thomas, Special Counsel
Office of General Counsel
Texas Juvenile Justice Department

11:45 am Working Lunch: Current Trends, Including Ethical Dilemmas (provided) [1.0 Hour, .25 Ethics]

Prosecutorial Caucus (Limestone) – Kim Hayes
Defense Caucus (Granite) – Frank Adler
Judicial Caucus (Cottonwood) – The Honorable Lisa Jarrett
Probation/State Agency Caucus (Post Oak) – Lou Serrano

1:15 pm Culture Counts: The Intersection of Pimp Culture, Pornography, Prostitution & Human Trafficking [1.0 Hour]

Kirsta Melton, Deputy Criminal Chief
Human Trafficking and Transnational Organized Crime
Office of Attorney General

2:15 pm Statutory Interpretation: Why “It Doesn’t Say I Can’t” Isn’t Enough [.75 Hour]

Ronald L. Beal, Professor
Professor of Law
Baylor Law School

3:00 pm Break

3:15 pm Ethical Considerations in Determinate Sentence and Certification Cases [.75 Hour, .75 Ethics]

Kameron Johnson, Chief Juvenile Public Defender
Travis County Juvenile Public Defender's Office

Riley Shaw, Deputy Chief
Criminal Division

Tarrant County District Attorney's Office

4:00 pm I'll Take Juvenile Justice Potpourri for \$1000, Alex: Answers to Legal and Ethical Questions Posed to the TJJD Legal Help Desk [.75 Hour, .25 Ethics]

Jenna Reblin, Staff Attorney
Office of General Counsel
Texas Juvenile Justice Department

4:45 pm Bird Show
Palm D'Or Pavilion

7:00 pm Cornhole Tournament and Other Games
Conference Pavilion

8:00 pm Movie on the Lawn & S'mores
Live Oak Lawn

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 26

7:45 am Breakfast Buffet (provided)

8:25 am Welcoming Remarks

Kaci Singer, Chair-Elect
Juvenile Law Section

**8:30 am KEYNOTE ADDRESS [1.25 Hour]
Implicit Bias: Impact on Decision Making**

Dr. Rita Cameron-Wedding, Ph.D.
Women's Studies Department, Chair
Sacramento State University

9:45 am Screening Tools: How to Use Them and Why They Matter [.75 Hour]

Dr. Gina Vincent, Associate Professor
University of Massachusetts Medical School

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TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 27

- 7:45 am **Breakfast Buffet** (provided)
- 8:30 am **KEYNOTE ADDRESS [1.5 Hour]**
The Adolescent Brain: Future Planning and Decision Making
Michael Nerney
Consultant on Substance Abuse and Education
Long Lake, New York
- 10:00 am **Break**
- 10:15 am **Juvenile Justice is Not Child's Play: Avoiding Ethical Pitfalls [.75 Hours, .75 Ethics]**
Jill Mata, General Counsel
Texas Juvenile Justice Department
- 11:00 am **Lunch** (on your own)
- 1:00 pm **This is How We Do It Here: Evidentiary Rules in Juvenile Court [.75 Hour]**
Sharon Pruitt Assistant Attorney General
Juvenile Crime Intervention
Office of Attorney General
- 1:45 pm **Beyond To Register or Not to Register: Practical and Ethical Issues in Juvenile Sex Offense Cases [.75 Hours, .75 Ethics]**
Laura Peterson, Attorney at Law
Garland, Texas
- 2:30 pm **Break**
- 2:45 pm **Youth in Crisis: Practical Steps when Mental Health Issues Arise [.75 Hour]**
Lynn Kessel
Williamson County Juvenile Services
JR Hancock, Attorney at Law
Georgetown, Texas
- 3:30 pm **Seeing is Believing: Using Visual, Emotion-Based Storytelling in Closing Arguments [1.0 Hour]**
Tyrone Moncriste, Attorney at Law
Houston, Texas
- 4:30 pm **Raffle Drawing and Section's Annual Meeting and Election of Officers**
- 7:00 pm **Juvenile Law Section Reception**
Conference Pavilion

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 28

- 7:45 am **Breakfast Buffet** (provided)
- 8:30 am **Brady and the Michael Morton Act [1.0 Hour]**
David Gonzalez, Attorney at Law
Austin, Texas
- 9:30 am **Don't You (Forget About Me): Keeping Appeals in Mind When Trying a Case [.75 Hour, .25 Ethics]**
April E. Smith, Attorney at Law
Mesquite, Texas
- 10:15 am **Break**
- 10:45 am **Military Access to Juvenile Records [.50 Hour]**
Betty Rodriguez, Attorney at Law
Austin, Texas
- 11:15 am **Case Law Update [1.00 Hour]**
The Honorable Pat Garza
Associate Judge, 386th District Court
San Antonio, Texas
- 12:15 pm **Adjourn**

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[Maximum of 3.00 participatory hours]

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[Maximum of 16.00 hours, 3.00 hours Nuts & Bolts]
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