

Texas Center for the Judiciary

Presents



family LAW



November 6, 2009

Marriott Horseshoe Bay Resort
Horseshoe Bay, Texas

OR

February 26, 2010

Sheraton South Padre Beach Hotel
South Padre Island, Texas

PROGRAM OVERVIEW

The Family Law Conference is a continuing judicial education program designed especially for Texas judges and funded by a grant from the Texas Court of Criminal Appeals. This one-day conference will be offered twice in the 2009-2010 year. You may attend **one**, but not both, conferences. **Enrollment is limited to 70 attendees per conference, including up to 14 visiting judges.**

HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS

FAMILY LAW "A" NOVEMBER 6, 2009

Marriott Horseshoe Bay Resort

200 Hi Circle North
Horseshoe Bay, TX 78657
Toll Free: (877) 611-0112

Registration Deadline: October 6, 2009

FAMILY LAW "B" FEBRUARY 26, 2010

Sheraton South Padre Island Beach Hotel

310 Padre Boulevard
South Padre Island, Texas 78597
Phone: (956) 761-6551

Registration Deadline: January 26, 2010

EXPENSES & REIMBURSEMENT

The single occupancy room rate per night for the Marriott Horseshoe Bay Resort is \$100 and for the Sheraton South Padre Island Beach Hotel is \$85. When you call to make reservations, please be sure to mention that you will be attending the Family Law Conference, and be prepared to guarantee your room reservation with a credit card number.

Only ONE night of lodging will be reimbursed. For Family Law A, the night of November 5; for Family Law B, the night of February 25.

Judges are responsible for payment of all room and incidental charges upon checking out of the hotel. Under the Court of Criminal Appeals grant and in accordance with state travel regulations, the Texas Center will reimburse out-of-town participants after the conference for the single occupancy room rate per hotel. A lodging receipt must be submitted with your reimbursement form.

The Texas Center will reimburse out-of-town participants for other expenses in accordance with state travel regulations, i.e., economy airfare or 55 cents per mile (per official state mileage guide) for travel by personal automobile. Reimbursement for valet parking, rental cars, personal expenses, or tips is not authorized under grant regulations or Texas Center policy.

Receipts are required for lodging, taxi, parking, shuttle service, and airline tickets (receipts for meals are not required for reimbursement). Effective September 1, 2007, third-party Internet booking receipts, such as Expedia and Travelocity, are not valid receipts and therefore will not be reimbursed. Internet booking receipts direct from the service provider (e.g., Southwest Airlines, Hilton Hotels) are valid and will be reimbursed.

If you have any questions, please contact the Texas Center for the Judiciary at (512) 482-8986, or toll free at (800) 252-9232.

SCHEDULE AND COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

7:30 - 8:30 AM ~ PROGRAM REGISTRATION

8:30 - 10:00 AM

Public Benefits:

What They Are and Who Can Receive Them

Medicaid is the largest health insurer in the United States. Depending on circumstances, those who appear in your court may be eligible for its benefits at any age. This session explains program variances and compares and sorts out the complexities of Medicaid, Social Security, and private insurance, thus assisting you in making decisions in a child's best interest.

FACULTY: Mr. Pi-Yi Mayo

10:00 - 10:30 AM ~ BREAK

10:30 AM - NOON

Division After the Demise of Economic Contribution: Characterization, Valuation, and Division

An overview of characterization for purposes of reimbursement, methods of valuation, and tax implications for division.

FACULTY: Mr. Dan Hanke, CPA

1:00 - 2:30 PM

"Little Johnny Says":

Child Hearsay and Evidentiary Issues

Participants will hear an overview of evidence regarding children's statements and testimony, including the applicability of social studies, psychological evaluations, and expert witness statements.

[0.25 Ethics and 0.5 FV credit hours]

FACULTY: Hon. John Specia

2:30 - 3:00 PM ~ BREAK

3:00 - 4:30 PM

"I Never Want to See You Again"

Parental Alienation and Alienating Behaviors

One of the most problematic situations that can arise in the context of drafting visitation or custody orders is when one or more of the children have been alienated from a parent and either refuses to see that parent or makes visitation access almost unbearable. Learn the characteristics of alienated children and the parents who alienate; as well as hearing a treatment professional's thoughts about the vital role judges play in the outcome of these highly emotional cases.

[0.5 Ethics and 0.25 FV credit hours]

FACULTY: Mr. Michael Flynn

NOTE: Meeting rooms can often seem cold, so please consider bringing a sweater or jacket to the conference sessions.



Limited Enrollment!

Registration

Family Law Conference

TO EXPEDITE YOUR REGISTRATION, PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE THIS FORM AS COMPLETELY AND ACCURATELY AS POSSIBLE.

Full Name _____ Bar Card Number _____

Court _____

Mailing Address _____

City/State/Zip _____

Phone: () _____ Cell: () _____ Fax: () _____

Email: _____

Preferred First & Last Name for Badge _____

Special Needs: Please inform us of any special dietary needs or needs related to sight, hearing, or physical mobility.

REMINDERS:

You are responsible for making your own hotel reservations (see left page) directly with the respective conference hotel.
Reservation deadline for Family Law A is October 6, 2009.
Reservation deadline for Family Law B is January 26, 2010.

CONFERENCE FEES

Please detach this page and enclose it in an envelope with your payment. Make checks payable to "Texas Center for the Judiciary." Mail to: Texas Center for the Judiciary, 1210 San Antonio, Suite 800, Austin, Texas 78701. Or fax your completed form to: (512) 469-7664. For questions, call (512) 482-8986 or toll free at (800) 252-9232.

For Family Law Conference A: The registration deadline is October 6, 2009.
No refunds issued after October 30, 2009.

For Family Law Conference B: The registration deadline is January 26, 2010.
No refunds issued after February 19, 2010.

	JUDGE*	TOTAL
Judge's Registration Fee	_____ \$55	

* The registration fee, though voluntary, pays for expenses not covered by the Court of Criminal Appeals grant.

PICK ONE

(PLEASE CHECK YOUR CHOICE)

- Family Law A**
November 6, 2009
Horseshoe Bay
- Family Law B**
February 26, 2010
South Padre Island

NOTE:

Each conference offers the same curriculum. Choose the date and location most convenient for you.

To pay your registration fee by credit card, complete the following and fax to (512) 469-7664.

- AMEX
 MasterCard
 Visa
 Discover

Credit Card # _____ Exp. _____

Billing Address _____

Signature _____

For office use only:

Check # _____

Amount \$ _____

Check Date _____

PM _____



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IMPORTANT DATES:

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For Family Law Conference B: The hotel and conference registration deadline is January 26, 2010.