

23rd Annual Juvenile Law Conference

ROBERT O. DAWSON JUVENILE LAW INSTITUTE

February 18-20, 2010 | The Westin Park Central | Dallas, Texas



Schedule of Events

Below is a tentative agenda. All sessions are subject to change.
The final agenda will be available online at www.juvenilelaw.org/CLE at least two weeks prior to the conference.

This year's conference offers a total of 12.50 Hours of MCLE (including 2.75 Hours of Ethics)

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 18, 2010

3.50 HOURS (INCLUDING 0.75 HOUR OF ETHICS)

- 10:30 a.m. Registration – Grand Ballroom Foyer**
You may register at anytime upon arrival after 10:30 a.m. to avoid the rush just prior to the conference kicking off. The registration table will be open throughout the duration of the conference.
- 1:00 p.m. Welcoming Remarks**
The Honorable William Mazur, Presiding Judge
304th District Court – Dallas, Texas

Christian A. Hubner, Staff Attorney
Texas Juvenile Probation Commission
Chair-Elect of the Juvenile Law Section
- 1:15 p.m. Keynote Address (0.50 Hour)**
The Honorable Jim McReynolds, Chair
House Corrections Committee
Texas House of Representatives
- 1:45 p.m. Search and Seizure (1.00 Hour)**
The Honorable Pat Garza, Associate Judge
386th District Court – San Antonio, Texas
- 2:45 p.m. Break**
- 3:00 p.m. Ethics: Ethical Considerations in Pre-Trial Considerations (0.75 Hour)**
Patricia Cummings, Attorney at Law
Round Rock, Texas
- 3:45 p.m. Non-Traditional Gangs: Juggalos, Wicked Clowns, Hatchetman and More (1.25 Hour)**
Paul Mohler, Juvenile Crime Intervention
Office of the Attorney General
- 5:00 p.m. Adjourn**
- 5:10 p.m. Juvenile Law Section Annual Meeting and Election of Officers (all are invited)**
Bill Connolly, Chair and
Tim Menikos, Immediate Past Chair
Juvenile Law Section
- 5:30 p.m. Judicial Caucus (all judges are invited)**

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Important Dates...

January 27

Last day to receive discount hotel rate

February 5

Last day to register and/or pay to receive early-bird discount

February 16

Last day to cancel and receive partial refund

Conference, Registration and Social Events at a Glance...

Thursday, February 18, 2010

10:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.	Registration
1:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.	Conference
5:10 p.m. – 5:45 p.m.	Section's Annual Meeting and Election of Officers
5:30 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.	Judicial Caucus

Friday, February 19, 2010

8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.	Registration
8:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.	Conference
5:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.	Reception and Silent Auction

Saturday, February 20, 2010

8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.	Registration
8:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.	Conference

Can't Attend? New This Year... We're Videotaping!

See Page 5 for details.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 2010

6.75 HOURS (INCLUDING 1.0 HOUR OF ETHICS)

- 8:00 a.m. Continental Breakfast** *(provided)*
- 8:30 a.m. Properly Diagnosing Adolescents: Differentiating Between Diagnoses; Families with Limited Resources; and the Impact on Fitness to Proceed (1.25 Hour)**
 Dr. Stephen Thorne, Ph.D.
 Licensed Clinical and Forensic Psychologist
 Austin, Texas
- 9:45 a.m. Break**
- 10:00 a.m. Treatment Options for Children with Complex Needs: Mental Health Issues, Learning Disabilities and Developmental Disabilities (Autism and Asperger's) (1.00 Hour)**
 Dr. Jeannie Von Stultz, Director of Mental Health Services
 Bexar County Juvenile Probation
- 11:00 a.m. TYC Scholarship Committee Presentation (0.50 Hour)**
 Jason Wang, TYC Scholarship Recipient
 Dr. Tracy Levins, Director of Administrative Services and Community Relations
 Texas Youth Commission
- 11:30 a.m. Lunch** *(on your own)*

	Track A: Restorative Justice	Track B: DFPS Issues
1:15 p.m.	Restorative Justice 101 (0.50 Hour) Dr. Marilyn Peterson Armour Associate Professor and Director Institute for Restorative Justice and Restorative Dialogue School of Social Work The University of Texas at Austin	Videoconference: Innovative Ways to Communicate with Your Client (0.50 Hour) Cindy Williams, Assistant District Attorney Tarrant County District Attorney's Office Nora Dewitt, Legal Relations Specialist Region 3 Texas Department of Family and Protective Services
1:45 p.m.	Peacemaking Circles & Family Group Conferencing: Successful Restorative Justice Programs in Juvenile Courts (1.00 Hour) John Manelos Regional Security Manager BP America Inc. <i>Former Police Officer, Houston Police Department</i> Robert Rico, MPA Lecturer and Graduate Advisor of Record Department of Criminal Justice College of Public Policy The University of Texas at San Antonio <i>Retired Police Officer, City of Boerne Police Department</i>	Family Drug Courts: Preventing Drug Exposed Babies One Day at a Time (1.00 Hour) The Honorable Ellen Smith, Associate Judge 323 rd District Court – Fort Worth, Texas James Teel, Assistant District Attorney Tarrant County District Attorney's Office Holly McFarland, Attorney at Law Fort Worth, Texas Jeanette Leong, Family Drug Court Caseworker Texas Department of Family and Protective Services Laurie Smith, Program Manager Community Addiction Treatment Services MHMR of Tarrant County

Schedule of Events (continued)

Friday, February 19, 2010 (Continued)
5.50 Hours (including 1.00 Hours of Ethics)

	Track A: Restorative Justice	Track B: DFPS Issues
2:45 p.m.	Break	Break
3:00 p.m.	Clinical Education: Skills Training in Restorative Justice Methods (0.50 Hour) Dr. Marilyn Peterson Armour, Associate Professor John Manelos, Regional Security Manager Robert Rico, Lecturer and Graduate Advisor of Record Athan Schindler, Director of Social Work	Travis County Model Court and the Parent's Perspective (0.50 Hour) Stephanie Smith Ledesma, Managing Attorney Office of Parental Representation Austin, Texas
3:30 p.m.	Defense-Initiated Victim Outreach: Practice and Ethics (1.00 Hour Ethics) Dr. Marilyn Peterson Armour Associate Professor and Director Institute for Restorative Justice and Restorative Dialogue School of Social Work The University of Texas at Austin Stephanie Frogge, MTS DIVO Coordinator Institute for Restorative Justice and Restorative Dialogue School of Social Work The University of Texas at Austin David M. Gonzalez, Attorney at Law Austin, Texas	Bringing Kids to Court: Should They Stay or Should They Go (1.00 Hour Ethics) Loretta Keller, Attorney at Law Plano, Texas James Teel, Assistant District Attorney Tarrant County District Attorney's Office Stephanie Smith Ledesma, Managing Attorney Office of Parental Representation Austin, Texas
4:30 p.m.	Restorative Justice in Action: What Can You Do Right Now on an Individual Level? (0.50 Hour) Corrine Sumpter, Attorney at Law Austin, Texas Athan Schindler, Director of Social Work Sumpter & Gonzalez, LLP	Circle of Support: Great Benefits for Your Clients Aging Out of Care (0.50 Hour) Sheryl Dudley, Transition Program Specialist Texas Department of Family and Protective Services

5:00 p.m. Adjourn

5:30 p.m. Reception and Silent Auction

What better way to spend an evening than to have the opportunity to network with your colleagues and support a great cause? The Reception and Silent Auction is scheduled for Friday evening from 5:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m., with light hors d'oeuvres and a cash bar. Everyone is invited to attend. It is now in its 5th year of existence and, with your help, the amount of money the Juvenile Law Section has raised has increased tremendously.

All proceeds raised at the silent auction are used to provide scholarships for Texas Youth Commission (TYC) youths continuing their education after being paroled from TYC facilities. The scholarship fund is a worthwhile and successful program directly benefiting youth who have been through the Texas juvenile justice system.

In addition to attending and participating, items are needed for the Silent Auction. Please help us make this a successful event by donating an item. You can donate items prior to or at the conference upon arrival. Can't attend the Reception and Silent Auction but still want to contribute? Donations will be accepted on-site at the conference. Please see the registration table upon arrival for information.

For additional information, or if you would like to donate items to the silent auction, please contact Susan Clevenger at 281.580.4501 or gclevenger@yahoo.com.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 2010

3.25 HOURS (0.75 HOUR OF ETHICS)

- 8:00 a.m.** **Continental Breakfast** (*provided*)
- 8:30 a.m.** **Confessions (0.75 Hour)**
Sharon Pruitt, Assistant Attorney General
Juvenile Crime Intervention
Office of the Attorney General
- 9:15 a.m.** **Juvenile Ethics: A Judicial Perspective (1.00 Hour)**
The Honorable George West, Associate Judge
305th District Court – Dallas, Texas
- 10:15 a.m.** **Break**
- 10:30 a.m.** **Sealing Juvenile Records (0.75 Hour)**
Stacey Brownlee, Assistant District Attorney
Upshur County District Attorney's Office
- 11:15 a.m.** **Case Law and Legislative Update (0.75 Hour)**
Riley Shaw, Assistant District Attorney
Tarrant County District Attorney's Office
Fort Worth, Texas
- 12:00 p.m.** **Adjourn**

INTERESTED IN BEING A SPONSOR OR EXHIBITOR?

This conference brings together juvenile justice professionals statewide including legislative leadership, judges, prosecutors, defense attorneys, administrators, supervisors, juvenile probation professionals, juvenile detention professionals, educators, court liaisons and law enforcement professionals. The Section typically expects over 500 attendees who represent all areas of juvenile justice.

This year, the Juvenile Law Section is offering a variety of opportunities for your organization to take part in the 23rd Annual Juvenile Law Conference through exhibiting at or sponsoring this great conference. If you are interested or need additional details, please feel free to contact Susan Clevenger at 281.580.4501 or gtclevenger@yahoo.com.

CONTINUING EDUCATION CREDITS

The Juvenile Law Section has requested continuing education credits from the following agencies, organizations or associations for approximately 12.50 hours (including 2.75 hours of ethics):

State Bar of Texas | Texas Association of Counties | TCLEOSE
Texas Center for the Judiciary | Texas Juvenile Probation Commission

As the Conference approaches, you may contact Kristy Almager at 512.424.6710 or <http://www.juvenilelaw.org/CLE.htm> to see how many hours are approved.

Things You Need To Know...

CAN'T ATTEND? NEW THIS YEAR... WE'RE VIDEOTAPING!

The Juvenile Law Section will be partnering with TexasBarCLE to videotape this year's conference. The conference video will be available to download in TexasBarCLE's Online Classroom 6-8 weeks after the conference concludes. Once the video download is available, go to www.texasbarcle.com. TexasBarCLE is unable to provide cost information in advance. You can contact TexasBarCLE at 512.463.1463 for questions or additional information.

VIDEO DOWNLOAD FREE TO ATTENDEES

Online videos of the presentations and PDFs of the course materials will be available to registrants 6-8 weeks after the conference on TexasBarCLE. A VALID email address must be included on the registration form so we may alert you when these benefits are available and how to access them. (Note: Presentation lengths may vary from that which was advertised.)

THANK YOU...

On behalf of the Juvenile Law Section, the Council would like to extend its gratitude to The Honorable Kim Brown and David Gonzalez for their assistance in planning this year's conference. Judge Brown coordinated the DFPS track for Friday afternoon and Mr. Gonzalez coordinated the Restorative Justice track.

PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES

Persons with disabilities who plan to attend this conference and are in need of auxiliary aids or services should contact Kristy Almager at 512.424.6710 at least seven (7) working days prior to the conference so that appropriate arrangements may be made.

CONFERENCE QUESTIONS AND CORRESPONDENCE

Juvenile Law Section | c/o Kristy Almager
P.O. Box 13547 | Austin, Texas 78711
Phone: 512.424.6710 | Fax: 512.424.6718
Email: Kristy.Almager@tjpc.state.tx.us

Registration Information

REGISTRATION FEES AND DEADLINES

	EARLY Registration <u>and</u> Payment Received By Feb 5	LATE / ON-SITE Registration <u>or</u> Payment Received After Feb 5
Members of the Juvenile Law Section and Judges, Associate Judges, Referees, and Masters	\$225	\$300
Non-Members of the Juvenile Law Section	\$250	\$300
CD of Conference Materials Only	\$50	\$75

- ★ Conference fees are inclusive of attendance to any or all scheduled days. No special rate is available for partial attendance, students or non-profit agencies.
- ★ If you need clarification on whether or not you are a member of the Juvenile Law Section, please contact the State Bar of Texas Sections Division at 512.427.1420 or view your MyBarPage online at www.texarbar.com.
- ★ NOTE: You cannot register for this conference through the State Bar or Texas Bar CLE.

HOW TO REGISTER

To register, please complete the registration form on the following page. You may fax or mail in your completed registration form to the contact listed at the bottom of the page. Online registration is not available.

PAYMENT

The registration fee may be paid by credit card, check or money order. No purchase orders are accepted. Please make checks payable to the Juvenile Law Section.

REGISTRATION FEE INCLUDES

The registration fee includes the continental breakfast on Friday and Saturday, breaks for three days, Silent Auction Reception, and materials on a CD.

MATERIALS EMAILED EARLY

Course materials will be distributed only on a CD and in electronic format. If registration AND payment information is received by February 5, you will receive an email with a link to all materials received to date approximately one week prior to the conference. You may then print the materials if you would like to bring a hard copy to the conference. The Section will make every effort to have ample electrical outlets for those wishing to bring a laptop with the materials or powerpoint presentations saved on them.

CONFIRMATION

You will receive an electronic confirmation that your registration was received. Please include a copy of your confirmation or a copy of your registration form if you mail in your payment.

CANCELLATION | REFUNDS | NO SHOWS

Conference cancellations and refund requests must be made in writing to the Conference Coordinator. Please fax or e-mail your request for a refund to Kristy Almager to 512.424.6718 or Kristy.Almager@tjpc.state.tx.us. Cancellation requests must be received by February 15 for a partial refund (less a \$25 processing fee). Verbal cancellations will not be accepted.

Refunds will not be granted for no shows; however, course materials on a CD will be mailed within one week after the conclusion of the Conference.

SUBSTITUTIONS

Before the Conference, you may submit a substitution request. Please contact Kristy Almager at 512.424.6710 or Kristy.Almager@tjpc.state.tx.us and request that the substitution be made and the existing payment be transferred.

NOTE: Substitutions cannot be made for individual sessions and/or days.

REGISTRATION CHECK-IN

When you check-in, you can pick up your name badge, padfolio of information and CD of materials. The registration desk will open Thursday morning at 10:30 a.m. and will be available the entire span of the Conference, so you may register at any time upon arrival. Please note that the conference does not start until 1:00 p.m. on Thursday.

Registration Form

STEP 1: GENERAL INFORMATION

PRINTED NAME	BAR CARD NUMBER
JOB TITLE	
COUNTY	AGENCY / DEPARTMENT
ADDRESS	
CITY, STATE, ZIP	
PHONE ()	EMAIL*

**Please be diligent in providing an accurate, legible email address. Emails will be sent both for registration confirmation and to email the materials just prior to the conference. In addition, a VALID email address is required to view the videotape of the conference from Texas Bar CLE after the conclusion of the conference.*

STEP 2: REGISTRATION FEES AND COURSE MATERIALS (CHECK ONE)

EARLY Registration and Payment Recd By Feb 5	LATE / ON-SITE Registration or Payment Recd After Feb 5
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Members of the Juvenile Law Section and Judges, Associate Judges, Referees, and Masters	<input type="checkbox"/> \$225	<input type="checkbox"/> \$300
Non-Members of the Juvenile Law Section	<input type="checkbox"/> \$250	<input type="checkbox"/> \$300
I cannot attend the Conference, however, I want to purchase the CD of materials only	<input type="checkbox"/> \$50	<input type="checkbox"/> \$75

STEP 3: PAYMENT

Method of payment can be made by credit card, check or money order made payable to the Juvenile Law Section. [No purchase orders or vouchers will be accepted.](#) Mail your registration form, along with payment to: Juvenile Law Section, c/o Kristy Almager, P.O. Box 13547, Austin, Texas 78711. An e-confirmation will be sent once you are registered.

Method of Payment: Check Money Order Visa MC American Express Discover
[All information requested below is required if paying by credit card.]

CARD NUMBER	EXPIRATION
VERIFICATION CODE	<i>What is this? This is the 3-digit code on the back of your card</i>
NAME AS IT APPEARS ON THE CARD	
BILLING ADDRESS (IF DIFFERENT THAN ABOVE)	
BILLING ZIP CODE	
SIGNATURE	DATE

*You should receive an electronic confirmation via email within 72 hours.
Please note that this confirmation is for receipt of your registration, not necessarily your registration fee.
Please print a copy of your confirmation or this form and mail it along with payment (as specified in the email confirmation).*

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Register today...Don't miss out on the Early Registration discount.

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Hotel Accommodations

WESTIN PARK CENTRAL HOTEL

12720 Merit Drive | Dallas, Texas 75251
Phone 972.385.3000
<http://www.starwoodhotels.com/westin/>
Check-In is at 3:00 p.m. | Check-Out is at 12:00 p.m.

RATES AND RESERVATIONS

The hotel is offering a discounted rate as follows:
\$85 (Single) | \$125 (Double)

The deadline to make reservations is January 27, 2010.
Reservations made after this deadline will only be honored based on availability.

Make your reservations online at
<http://www.starwoodmeeting.com/Book/23rdJuvenileLaw>. This is a customized website for attendees of the Juvenile Law Conference only, therefore, the rates listed should automatically be at the contracted rate.

You may also contact the Westin's Reservation Line directly at 888.627.7032. If you call to make accommodations, please specify that you are with the Juvenile Law Section to ensure the special conference rate.

PARKING

The Westin Park Central offers covered, self-parking for \$12 per day and \$20 for valet parking per day with in and out privileges.

HOTEL SHUTTLE

The Westin Park Central does not offer a shuttle service to and from the airport, however, it does offer a complimentary shuttle within a 5-mile radius of the hotel. Reservations should be made with the concierge from 7 a.m. to 11:00 p.m.

DISTANCE FROM AIRPORT

The hotel is approximately 12 miles or 20 minutes from Dallas Love Field, and approximately 20 miles or 35 minutes from DFW.

DIRECTIONS

From East. Take Interstate 635 West and exit Coit Road. Turn left onto Coit Road. Continue to the 2nd light and turn right onto Banner. The hotel is located on the right.

From DFW Airport. Take the North Airport Exit to Interstate 635 East. Proceed approximately 17 miles. Take the Coit Road Exit; then take the first right turn onto Merit Drive. The hotel is on the left.

From North. Take Interstate 75 South and exit Frontage Road (#22A). At the 1st light, turn right then turn left onto Coit Road. Continue through the 2nd light and turn right onto Banner. Turn right onto Merit Road, and the hotel is on the right.

From South. Take Interstate 75 North and exit Coit Road. At the 3rd stoplight, turn left onto Banner. Continue 1 block to Merit and turn right. The hotel is on the right-hand side.