

FEDERAL PUBLIC DEFENDER
Southern District of Texas
Criminal Justice Act Panel Training

United States Federal Courthouse
1133 North Shoreline Blvd
Corpus Christi, Texas
May 15 - 16, 2014

ANNOUNCEMENT

The Federal Public Defender for the Southern District of Texas is presenting a seminar designed to assist Criminal Justice Act (“CJA”) panel attorneys appointed in federal criminal cases. The State Bar of Texas MCLE Department has approved this seminar for 13.75 hours of CLE credit (including 1.0 hour of legal ethics) (Course No. 901287452). There is no cost for participants or for those attorneys wishing to apply for the CLE credit. Registration will be available the morning of the seminar, but preregistration is preferred. To download the form, please visit our website at www.fpdslot.org. If you have any questions, contact Mary Montoya at 361-888-3532 or Dora Madrigal at 713-718-4600.

AGENDA

THURSDAY, MAY 15, 2014

Day 1: Fundamentals of Federal Cases

7:30 - 8:15	Registration	
8:15 - 8:30	Welcome and Introductory Remarks The Hon. Nelva Gonzales Ramos, United States District Judge, Corpus Christi, TX	
8:30 - 9:15	Pretrial Motions and Discovery Lila Garza, Assistant Federal Public Defender, Corpus Christi, TX	(0.75)
9:15 - 9:45	Preliminary Hearings and Bail Hearings Francisco Morales, Assistant Federal Public Defender, Corpus Christi, TX	(0.50)
9:45 - 10:30	Differences Between Federal and State Court Practice Stephen Byrne, Attorney at Law, Corpus Christi, TX	(0.75)
10:30 - 10:45	Break	
10:45 - 12:00	Primer on Federal Criminal Cases Jose Gonzalez-Falla, Assistant Federal Public Defender, Austin, TX	(1.25)
12:00 - 1:15	Lunch (on your own)	
1:15 - 1:45	CJA Administrative Basics David Adler, Criminal Justice Act Panel Representative, Houston, TX	(0.50)
1:45 - 2:15	Plea Agreements, Cooperation, Proffers Kristen Langford, Assistant Federal Public Defender, Corpus Christi, TX	(0.50)
2:15 - 2:45	Federal Rules of Evidence Marjorie A. Meyers, Federal Public Defender, S.D. TX	(0.50)
2:45 - 3:00	Break	
3:00 - 5:00	Introduction to Federal Sentencing Marjorie A. Meyers, Federal Public Defender, S.D. TX	(2.0)

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FRIDAY, MAY 16, 2014

Day 2: Advanced Topics

7:30 - 8:15	Registration	
8:15 - 8:30	Introduction and Opening Remarks The Honorable Jason Libby, United States Magistrate Judge, Corpus Christi, TX	
8:30 - 9:30	Common Suppression Issues in South Texas Francisco Morales, Assistant Federal Pubic Defender, Corpus Christi, TX	(1.0)
9:30 - 10:00	Primer on Deportation/Removal Tito Alfaro, Assistant Federal Public Defender, Corpus Christi, TX	(0.50)
10:00 - 10:15	Break	
10:15 - 11:15	Federal Sentencing Updates Marjorie A. Meyers, Federal Public Defender, S.D. TX	(1.0)
11:15 - 12:00	Social Media Marissa Perez-Garcia, Supervisory Asst. Federal Public Defender, Laredo, TX	(0.75)
12:00 - 1:00	Lunch (on your own)	
1:00 - 1:45	Recidivist Enhancements Christopher Jenkins, Supervisory Asst. Federal Public Defender, Corpus Christi, TX	(0.75)
1:45 - 2:45	Recent Cases Timothy Crooks, Supervisory Asst. Federal Public Defender, Houston, TX	(1.0)
2:45 - 3:00	Break	
3:00 - 3:30	Material Witness Representation Debra Rodriguez, Attorney at Law, Corpus Christi, TX	(0.50)
3:30 - 4:30	Ethics and Professional Responsibility H. Michael Sokolow, First Assistant Federal Public Defender, Houston, TX	(1.0)
4:30 - 5:00	Primary Jurisdiction and Concurrent/Consecutive Sentences Christopher Jenkins, Supervisory Asst. Federal Public Defender, Corpus Christi, TX	(0.50)

***This seminar is for attorneys eligible or seeking to become eligible to take CJA appointments.**