

SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS BENCH BAR CONFERENCE

October 25, 2022



THE BALLROOM AT
BAYOU PLACE

500 Texas Avenue
Houston, Texas 77002

MCLE credit: 7 hours

8:00 a.m. REGISTRATION AND LIGHT BREAKFAST

Foyer, Ballroom at Bayou Place

8:30 a.m. WELCOME

Hon. Lee H. Rosenthal, Chief U.S. District Judge

8:45 a.m. Meet the New(er) Judges of the Southern District of Texas

Hon. Randy Crane, U.S. District Judge
(Moderator)

Hon. Jeffrey V. Brown, U.S. District Judge

Hon. Charles R. Eskridge, U.S. District Judge

Hon. Drew B. Tipton, U.S. District Judge

Hon. Julie K. Hampton, U.S. Magistrate Judge

Hon. Christopher dos Santos, U.S. Magistrate
Judge

Hon. Nadia Medrano, U.S. Magistrate Judge

Hon. Mitchel Neurock, U.S. Magistrate Judge

CLE: 1.00 hours

Moderated by the next Chief Judge of the Southern District of Texas, this panel features the new(er) judges of the Southern District of Texas, who have joined the bench since 2019. The judges will share their backgrounds and transitions onto the bench, insights into their courtrooms, and what practitioners should know when appearing in front of them.

**9:45 a.m. New Issues with Social Media:
Privacy, Discovery, Search/Seizure, and More**

Hon. Peter J. Bray, U.S. Magistrate Judge
(Moderator)

Kyle Hawkins, Esq., Lehotsky Keller

Chanler A. Langham, Esq., Susman Godfrey
L.L.P.

Sharad Khandelwal, Esq., Assistant U.S. Attorney
CLE: 1.25 hours

A panel of practitioners with civil, criminal, and appellate experience will share their perspectives on the ways in which social media is changing our practice and how we think about speech and privacy rights, including a discussion of emerging issues and practice tips.

11:00 a.m. BREAK

11:15 a.m. U.S. Supreme Court and Fifth Circuit Update

Erin Busby, Esq., Professor, University of Texas
School of Law (Moderator)

Aaron Streett, Esq., Baker Botts L.L.P.

Raffi Melkonian, Esq., Wright, Close & Barger
LLP

D. Theodore Rave, Esq., Professor, University
of Texas School of Law

CLE: 1.25 hours

This panel will discuss recent Supreme Court and Fifth Circuit cases that are not necessarily the hot-button ones covered in the news, but those cases that civil and criminal practitioners need to know about for their general practice.

12:30 p.m. LUNCH AND NETWORKING

1:15 p.m. An Update on Discovery and Proportionality

Hon. Alfred H. Bennett, U.S. District Judge

Hon. Fernando Rodriguez, Jr., U.S. District
Judge

Hon. Sam S. Sheldon, U.S. Magistrate Judge

Kate Shih, Esq., Quinn Emanuel Urquhart &
Sullivan, LLP (Moderator)

CLE: 1.25 hours

A panel of judges will share their perspectives on proportionality in discovery, particularly in light of the 2015 amendments to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 26.

2:30 p.m. BREAK

2:45 p.m. Judging in a Post-Pandemic World

Hon. Lee H. Rosenthal, Chief U.S. District Judge

Hon. Randy Crane, U.S. District Judge

Hon. Andrew Edison, U.S. Magistrate Judge

Krisina Zuñiga, Esq., Susman Godfrey L.L.P.
(Moderator)

CLE: 1.00 hours

A panel of judges will share their perspectives on how trial court judging has changed since the start of the COVID-19 pandemic and what we should expect in the future.

3:45 p.m. Hearings and Trials: What Works and What Doesn't, as Seen from the Bench

Hon. Andrew S. Hanen, U.S. District Judge
Hon. Diana Saldaña, U.S. District Judge
Hon. Christina A. Bryan, U.S. Magistrate Judge
Tina Q. Nguyen, Esq., Baker Botts L.L.P.
(Moderator)
CLE: 1.25 hours

A panel of judges will share their perspectives on presenting at hearings and trials, including effective presentation skills, potential challenges when presenting, and lessons learned from the pandemic.

5:00 p.m. CLOSING REMARKS

Hon. Lee H. Rosenthal, Chief U.S. District Judge

5:15 p.m. RECEPTION

Foyer, Ballroom at Bayou Place

6:30 p.m. ADJOURN

Register Online at
www.hba.org/2022SDTXBenchBarConference

THERE WILL BE NO ONSITE REGISTRATION THE DAY OF THE CONFERENCE.

Attendees must be admitted to practice before the Southern District of Texas or have a pending application to practice.

FEES:

\$208 Non-FBA Members

\$156 FBA Members

\$104 Government Attorneys

**United States District and Bankruptcy Court,
Southern District of Texas**

District Judges

Lee H. Rosenthal, Chief
Ricardo H. Hinojosa
Lynn N. Hughes
Keith P. Ellison
Randy Crane
Andrew S. Hanen
Micaela Alvarez
Diana Saldaña
Nelva Gonzales Ramos
Marina Garcia Marmolejo
Alfred H. Bennett
George C. Hanks, Jr.
Rolando Olvera
Fernando Rodriguez, Jr.
David S. Morales
Jeffrey V. Brown
Charles R. Eskridge
Drew B. Tipton

Senior District Judges

Hayden Head
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Kenneth M. Hoyt
Sim Lake
Melinda Harmon
John D. Rainey
Ewing Werlein, Jr.
Janis Graham Jack
Hilda G. Tagle
Gray Miller

Bankruptcy Judges

David R. Jones, Chief
Marvin P. Isgur
Eduardo Rodriguez, Jr.
Jeffrey Norman
Christopher López

Magistrate Judges

James Scott Hacker
Ronald G. Morgan
Diana Song Quiroga
Jason B. Libby
Ignacio Torteya, III
Dena Hanovice Palermo
Christina A. Bryan
Andrew Edison
Juan F. Alanis
John A. Kazen
Peter J. Bray
Sam S. Sheldon
Julie K. Hampton
Christopher dos Santos
Nadia Medrano
Mitchel Neurock
Yvonne Y. Ho