

***FEDERAL PUBLIC DEFENDER, Southern District of Texas***

**Criminal Justice Act Panel Training**

United States Federal Courthouse, Jury Assembly Room 10th Floor

1701 W. Business Highway 83, McAllen, Texas

Wednesday, March 7, 2018

**ANNOUNCEMENT**

The Federal Public Defender for the Southern District of Texas presents 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 8.0 hours of CLE credit (including 1.5 hours of legal ethics) (Course No. 174007342). Lunch will be provided, courtesy of the District Court Judges and the court’s Attorney Admissions Fund.

**Please RSVP no later than Friday, March 2, 2018**, to Claudia Cruz at (956) 630-2995 or [Claudia\\_Cruz@fd.org](mailto:Claudia_Cruz@fd.org).

**AGENDA**

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- 7:30 a.m. - 8:00 a.m. **Registration**
- 8:00 a.m. - 8:15 a.m. **Welcome & Introductory Remarks**
- 8:15 a.m. - 9:00 a.m. **Preliminary Hearings and Bail Hearings** (0.75)  
Francisco Morales, Ass’t Federal Public Defender, Corpus Christi, Tex.
- 9:00 a.m. - 9:45 a.m. **The Fourth Amendment At the Border** (0.75)  
Marjorie A. Meyers, Federal Public Defender, S.D. Tex.
- 9:45 a.m. - 10:00 a.m. Break
- 10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. **Sentencing Advocacy Panel** (1.0)  
Andy Nogueras, Yvonne Sanchez, and Nadia Medrano  
Ass’t Federal Public Defenders, McAllen, Tex.
- 11:00 a.m. - 11:45 a.m. **CJA Panel Issues** (0.75)  
David Adler, Chair of CJA Panel, Houston, Tex.
- 11:45 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. **A View from the Bench (working lunch)** (1.0; incl. .5 ethics)  
The Honorable Ricardo Hinojosa, Randy Crane, and Micaela Alvarez  
United States District Judges.
- 1:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m. **Ethics** (1.0 ethics)  
H. Michael Sokolow, First Ass’t Federal Public Defender, Houston, Tex.
- 2:00 p.m. - 2:45 p.m. **Trial Objections & Evidentiary Foundations** (0.75)  
Richard Gould, Ass’t Federal Public Defender, McAllen, Tex.
- 2:45 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. Break
- 3:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. **Immigration Law for the Criminal Practitioner** (1.0)  
David Ayala, Retired Immigration Judge  
Miriam A. Ayala, Ayala & Acosta, McAllen, Tex.
- 4:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. **Recent Cases** (1.0)  
Philip Gallagher, Ass’t Federal Public Defender, Houston, Tex.

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