

SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS HOUSTON / GALVESTON BENCH BAR CONFERENCE

November 3, 2017



THE BALLROOM AT
BAYOU PLACE

560 Texas Avenue
Houston, Texas 77002

CONFERENCE AGENDA

7:30 - 8:30am **Breakfast**

8:30 - 8:45am **Welcome and The State of the District**

Chief District Judge Lee H. Rosenthal

8:45 - 9:45am **Plenary Session**

***What Trial Lawyers Really Really Need to Know,
NOW: Recent and Anticipated Must-Reads from the
Supreme Court and the Fifth Circuit (1 hr CLE)***

Panel: Erin Busby, Univ. of Texas School of Law
Kathryn Kase, Fmr. Dir. of Texas Defender
Services
Kathleen Sullivan, Quinn Emanuel Urquhart &
Sullivan
Stephen Vladeck, Univ. of Texas School of
Law and CNN commentator

Moderator: District Judge Keith Ellison

9:45-10:00am **Break and Refreshments**

10:00-10:45am **Civil and Criminal Practice Breakout I**

***Civil — Motions Practice in the Houston and
Galveston Divisions: What's New, and What Can Be
Improved? (.75 hr CLE, .25 hr ethics)***

Panel: Chief Judge Lee H. Rosenthal
Joseph Ahmad, AZA
Taft Foley, The Foley Law Firm
Charles Walker, Norton Rose Fulbright

Moderator: Magistrate Judge Nancy K. Johnson

***Criminal — When Technology Meets Crime:
Cybercrime, E-Discovery, and Following the Money
(.75 hr CLE, .25 hr ethics)***

Panel: Michael Chu, AUSA
Colin Fieman, Ass't. Fed. Public Defender
Nathan Judish, Senior Counsel, Computer Crime
and Intellectual Property, US DOJ

Moderator: Magistrate Judge Stephen W. Smith

10:45-11:45am **Civil and Criminal Practice Breakout II**

***Civil — You've Won the Battle; Don't Lose the
War: Avoiding Malpractice by Preserving Error and
Protecting the Record (1hr CLE, 1 hr ethics)***

Panel: Lynne Liberato, Haynes & Boone
Jeff Oldham, Bracewell
Aaron Streett, Baker Botts
Justin Waggoner, Smyser, Kaplan & Veselka

Moderator: Judge Carolyn King, U.S. Court of Appeals
for the Fifth Circuit

***Criminal — Under the Bus: Ethical Considerations
in Corporate/White Collar Cases; Representing
Corporations and Individuals: How to Avoid
Malpractice and Disqualification
(1hr CLE, 1 hr ethics)***

Panel: Belinda Beek, AUSA
Tim Johnson, Locke Lord
Dianne Ralston, General Counsel, Technip/FMC

Moderators: David Gerger, Quinn Emanuel Urquhart &
Sullivan
Jeff Vaden, Bracewell

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11:45-12:30pm Lunch

12:30-1:15pm Civil and Criminal Practice Breakout III

Civil — Our Thriving Remand and Transfer Dockets: Handling Related and Overlapping Cases Simultaneously Pending in State and Federal, or Different Federal, Courts. (.75 hr CLE)

Panel: Tommy Fibich, Fibich Leebron Copeland & Briggs
Amy Halevy, Bracewell
Layne Kruse, Norton Rose Fulbright
Rhonda Wills, Wills Law Firm

Moderator: District Judge Gray H. Miller

Criminal — The Notorious Criminal Case: Handling the Media, the Jury, and the Judge (.75 hr CLE, .75 hr ethics)

Panel: Shaun Clarke, Smyser Kaplan & Veselka
Mark Curriden, Texas Lawbook
Rusty Hardin, Rusty Hardin & Assoc.
Steve Mellin, AUSA

Moderator: Senior District Judge David Hittner

1:15 - 1:30pm Break and Refreshments

1:30 - 2:30pm Plenary Session

It's Not Your Parents' Courtroom: How to Try a Case to Today's Judge or Jury
(1 hr CLE, .25 hr ethics)

Panel: Rusty Hardin, Rusty Hardin & Assoc.
Mark Lanier, The Lanier Law Firm
Kathy Patrick, Gibbs & Bruns
Steve Susman, Susman Godfrey

Moderator: District Judge Vanessa Gilmore

2:30 - 4:00pm Plenary Session / Judges' Panel

Can We Be Better? It's a Two-Way Street
(1.5 hr CLE, .5 hr ethics)

Panel: District Judges, Houston/Galveston Divisions
Chief Bankruptcy Judge David R. Jones
Magistrate Judge Dena H. Palermo
Alistair Dawson, Beck Redden, Pres., HBA
Derek Hollingsworth, Rusty Hardin & Assoc.
Anna Rotman, Kirkland & Ellis, Pres., FBA

Moderators: Senior District Judge Nancy F. Atlas
David Beck, Beck Redden

4:00pm

Continuing the Conversation: A Wine and Cheese Reception

United States District and Bankruptcy Court, Southern District of Texas

District Judges

Chief Judge Lee H. Rosenthal
Judge Ricardo H. Hinojosa
Judge Lynn N. Hughes
Judge Sim Lake
Judge Melinda Harmon
Judge Vanessa Gilmore
Judge Keith P. Ellison
Judge Randy Crane
Judge Andrew S. Hanan
Judge Micaela Alvarez
Judge Gray H. Miller
Judge Diana Saldaña
Judge Nelva Gonzales Ramos
Judge Marina Garcia Marmolejo

Judge Alfred H. Bennett
Judge George C. Hanks, Jr.
Judge Rolando Olvera
Senior Judge George P. Kazen
Senior Judge Hayden Head
Senior Judge David Hittner
Senior Judge Kenneth M. Hoyt
Senior Judge John D. Rainey
Senior Judge Ewing Werlein, Jr.
Senior Judge Janis Graham Jack
Senior Judge Nancy F. Atlas
Senior Judge Hilda G. Tagle

Bankruptcy Judges

Chief Judge David R. Jones
Judge Karen K. Brown
Judge Marvin Isgur
Judge Jeff Bohm
Judge Eduardo V. Rodriguez

Magistrate Judges

Judge Frances H. Stacy
Judge Nancy K. Johnson
Judge Mary Milloy
Judge B. Janice Ellington
Judge Dorina Ramos
Judge Stephen Wm. Smith
Judge Peter E. Ormsby
Judge J. Scott Hacker
Judge Ronald G. Morgan
Judge Guillermo R. Garcia
Judge Diana Song Quiroga
Judge Jason B. Libby
Judge Ignacio Torteya, III
Judge Dena Hanovice Palermo