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Prosecutor Trial Skills Course

**Omni Southpark
Austin**

July 13–18, 2008

24 hours of MCLE, including 2 ethics hours

Prosecutor Trial Skills Course agenda

Sunday, July 13

- 4:30 p.m. Welcome to Prosecution and TDCAA
- 5:00 p.m. Case Preparation, Discovery, & *Brady* Material (0.5 hours ethics)
- 6:00 p.m. Opening reception (provided by TDCAA)

Monday, July 14

- 9:00 a.m. The Nuts & Bolts of Jury Selection
- 10:30 a.m. DWI Caselaw Update
- 11:45 a.m. Lunch (provided by TDCAA)
- 1:15 p.m. Effectively Using Demonstrative Evidence
- 2:45 p.m. The Effects of Alcohol on Driving Abilities
- 4:15 p.m. Case Scenarios
- 5:15 p.m. Adjourn

Tuesday, July 15

- 9:00 a.m. Arrest, Search, & Seizure
- 10:30 a.m. Arrest, Search & Seizure (Continued)
- 11:45 a.m. Lunch (provided by TDCAA)
- 1:00 p.m. Motions to Suppress: Case Scenarios
- 1:45 p.m. Effective Opening Statements
- 3:00 p.m. SFSTs: Challenges and Responses
- 4:15 p.m. The Predicate Bowl
- 5:15 p.m. Adjourn

Wednesday, July 16

- 8:30 a.m. Technology in the Courtroom: A Primer
- 10:00 a.m. Cross-Examination of the Defense Expert
- 11:15 a.m. How VACs Can Help You
- 12:15 p.m. Adjourn (lunch is on your own)

Thursday, July 17


- 9:00 a.m. Cross-Examination & Impeachment
- 10:15 a.m. Prosecuting Domestic Violence Cases
- 11:30 a.m. Case Scenarios
- Noon Lunch (provided by TDCAA)
- 1:30 p.m. Case Scenarios
- 2:45 p.m. Punishment Evidence
- 4:00 p.m. The Perfect Guilty Plea
- 5:00 p.m. Adjourn

Friday, July 18

- 9:00 a.m. Final Argument
- 10:30 a.m. Ethical Dilemmas for Prosecutors (1.5 hours ethics)
- Noon Adjourn

TDCAA Registration Form

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Omni Southpark Hotel in Austin

 Please note: TDCAA is going green! To cut down on voluminous papers and eco-unfriendly plastic binders, the materials for this seminar will be presented electronically on a CD-Rom—there will be **NO paper handouts**. Additionally, written materials will be available for download from tdcaa.com one week before the seminar. The link and password to this download page will be emailed to all attendees upon their successful registration. Thus, a working email address for each attendee is mandatory.

Name _____ Name preferred on badge _____

Office _____ Title _____

Office address _____

City _____ ZIP _____ Phone _____

E-mail address (required) _____

Months in a prosecutors' office _____ Current assignment _____

Number of trials court: _____ jury: _____ State Bar # _____

Please check here if we do NOT have your permission to distribute your e-mail address to course attendees.

Please check here if you have any special needs that require our assistance.

Registration: Eligible prosecutors and their office employees are entitled to attend all training and receive applicable expense reimbursement in exchange for a \$150 registration fee, which will be deposited into the Court of Criminal Appeals' Texas Prosecutor Assistance Project (TPAP) account (our grant) to fund other TPAP training events. The reimbursement policy is below.

Association fee: A TDCAA fee of \$125 is each participant's share of costs over and above what the grant allows (for example, excess costs of on-site meals and association overhead). In addition, this fee enables TDCAA to lock in discounted hotel rates for participants and entitles them to attend all association functions, including Sunday night's opening reception and lunch on Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday. Conference attendees who pay only the \$150 registration fee can attend all training but are not entitled to attend association functions.

Reimbursement: TDCAA will reimburse only eligible prosecutors and prosecutor office employees up to \$40 per night for five nights' stay at a hotel and up to \$30 a day for meals not provided at the conference. TDCAA will not reimburse for travel, registration fees, hotel tax, parking, taxi costs, or other extraordinary expenses. All meals not provided by TDCAA and other expenses are your own.

Cancellation: Pre-registration is strongly encouraged to reserve your space. Registrants canceling after June 22, 2008, will not receive a refund but will be sent a CD-Rom of the course materials.

REGISTRATION FEE (please check one)

For CAs, DAs, CDAs, C&DAs,
and their office personnel:

\$150 registration fee + \$125
association fee (\$275 total)

\$150 for training only

For all others:

\$375

Fax to 512/478-4112 or mail to 505 W. 12th St., Ste. 100, Austin, TX 78701.

Or fill it out online at www.tdcaa.com/training.

Hotel information

Omni Southpark Hotel, 4140 Governor's Row, in Austin. Room rates are \$85 for a single, \$115 for a double, \$135 for a triple, and \$155 for a quad; these rates are good until June 22, 2008, or until sold out. Call 512/448-2222 or 800/THE-OMNI for reservations.

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