



**Location of training:** All training will be at the Henry B. Gonzalez Convention Center at 900 East Market Street in San Antonio. There will be shuttle service Wednesday through Friday to the convention center. **Parking is available at multiple garages, and the cost is \$10 and up. Please utilize the shuttle service provided to prevent accruing additional parking charges.**

**Registration:** All registration is online only at [www.tdcaa.com/training](http://www.tdcaa.com/training), and advance registration is recommended. Eligible prosecutors and prosecutor office employees are entitled to attend all training and receive applicable expense reimbursement for a \$175 registration fee, which will be deposited into the Court of Criminal Appeals' Texas Prosecutor Assistance Project (TPAP) account (our grant) and used to fund other TPAP training events. The reimbursement policy is below.

**Association fee:** A TDCAA fee of \$175 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 Wednesday's reception and lunch on Thursday. Conference attendees who pay only the \$175 registration fee can attend all training but are not eligible to attend association functions.

**Reimbursement:** TDCAA will reimburse only eligible prosecutors and prosecutor office employees up to \$40 per night for Wednesday and Thursday nights at a hotel and up to \$20 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. Associate members are not eligible for reimbursement.

**CLE and TCOLE credit:** Attendees will receive up to 12 hours of CLE and TCOLE credit, including 3 hours of ethics.

**Cancellation:** Registrants canceling after September 1 will not receive a refund but will be sent the password to the course materials.

**Hotel Information:** Please make room reservations in an attendee's name, not a county or office administrator's name. If reserving more than one room, do not make all reservations in the same name. Please do not overbook hotel rooms! TDCAA is allotted a certain number of rooms at the state rate. All rates are plus taxes, and you must identify yourself with TX District & County Attorneys Association (or TDCAA) to get the special rates.

**With the exception of Grand Hyatt, TDCAA's group rate at all hotels is the prevailing state rate per diem of \$121 plus tax.**

**This rate is available through August 28 or until the block is sold out, whichever comes first.**

**Hyatt Place** is located at 601 S. St. Mary's Street. Call 888/492-8847 to make reservations, or visit [www.hyatt.com](http://www.hyatt.com) to book online. Enter G-TDCA as the group/corporate number. Walking distance to the convention center is 0.8 miles (18 minutes). Driving distance is 4 minutes. Overnight self-parking is \$15 per night. This hotel offers complimentary breakfast. The cutoff date for this hotel is August 2.

**La Quinta Riverwalk/Convention Center** is located at 303 Blum. Call 210/222-9181 to make reservations. Walking (8 minutes) and driving distance to the convention center is 0.4 miles. Self-parking is \$21 per night, and valet is \$24 per night. This hotel offers complimentary breakfast.

**Wyndham Riverwalk** is located at 111 E. Pecan Street. Call 877/999-3223 to make reservations. Walking distance to the convention center is 0.6 miles (15 minutes). Driving distance is 1.2 miles. Self-parking is \$25 per night; valet is \$30 per night. Complimentary morning and afternoon shuttle is available to and from the convention center.

**Hotel Valencia** is located at 150 East Houston. Call 866/842-0100 to make reservations or go to [www.hotelvalencia-riverwalk.com](http://www.hotelvalencia-riverwalk.com) to book online. Rate increases \$20 for each person after double occupancy. Walking distance to the convention center is 0.5 miles (11 minutes). Driving distance is 1 mile. Overnight valet parking is \$20 per night. This hotel offers complimentary continental breakfast. The cutoff date for this hotel is August 18. As of June 7, 2017, this hotel is sold out.

**Drury Plaza Riverwalk** is located at 105 S. St. Mary's Street. Call 210/270-7799 to make reservations. Walking distance to the convention center is 0.4 miles (8 minutes). Driving distance is .08 miles. No self-parking available; valet is \$21 per night. This hotel offers complimentary breakfast, free reception, and free soda and popcorn from 3–10 pm. Note: As of September 28, 2016, this hotel is sold out.

**The Menger Hotel** is located at 204 Alamo Plaza. Call 800/345-9285 to make reservations. Walking distance to the convention center is 0.2 miles (5 minutes). Driving distance is .06 miles. No self-parking available; valet is \$28 per night. Note: As of September 28, 2016, this hotel is sold out.

**Grand Hyatt** is located at 600 E. Market Street (at the convention center). Call 210/224-1234 to make reservations at a rate of \$199 plus tax per night. Self-parking is \$29 per night and valet is \$39 per night. Note: The discounted rate is \$199, which is not the same as the other hotels. Please be aware this \$199 rate cannot be changed upon your arrival to match rates at the other hotels. The cut-off date for this hotel's room rate is August 2, 2017, and our room block is limited.

**Rooms may open up at sold-out hotels. Call periodically to check availability.**

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# Annual Criminal & Civil Law Update

**Henry B. Gonzalez Convention Center**  
**San Antonio, Texas**  
**September 20–22, 2017**

## **Tuesday, September 19—All training will be held at the convention center**

**Noon–5:00 p.m. Early registration**

**1:00–3:00 p.m. OPTIONAL: Domestic Violence Training**

Staley Heatley, 46th Judicial District Attorney

*TDCAA offers this free training via a Criminal Justice Division grant through the Texas Governor's Office. Advance registration is separate from registration for the Annual Update and is encouraged to ensure materials and a seat are reserved for you. All participants will receive a free copy of TDCAA's Protective Orders manual and a two-sided laminated sheet on protective orders.*

**1:30–5:00 p.m. OPTIONAL: Legislative Update (3 hours MCLE/TCOLE)**

Shannon Edmonds, TDCAA Staff Attorney and Governmental Relations, and Justin Wood, Asst. District Attorney in Travis County

*Find out what laws passed—and what didn't—during the 85th Legislative Session. All attendees will receive a copy of TDCAA's Legislative Update book. Note that this training is separate from the Annual Update and requires additional registration and payment.*

## **Wednesday, September 20—All training will be held at the convention center**

**8:00 a.m. Registration for the Rural Prosecutors and Juvenile Forums begins.**

**9:00 a.m. OPTIONAL: Rural Prosecutors' Forum (2 hours MCLE)**

Moderated by Mike Fouts, 39th Judicial District Attorney, and Mike Criswell, Swisher County Attorney

**10:00 a.m. OPTIONAL: Juvenile Forum (no MCLE)**

Moderated by Jana Jones, Special Prosecution Unit

**1:00 p.m. Welcome, Course Introduction, & Special Recognitions**

**1:30 p.m. Keynote Address**

Nico LaHood, Criminal District Attorney, Bexar County

**2:15 p.m. CCA & SCOTUS Update**

The Honorable David Newell, Court of Criminal Appeals, Austin

**3:30 p.m. Rolling Stoned: The Colorado and Oregon Experiences**

Jennifer R. Knudsen, Traffic Safety Resource Prosecutor, Colorado District Attorneys' Council, and Deena Ryerson, Traffic Safety Resource Prosecutor, Oregon

**5:00 p.m. Adjourn**

**6:00 p.m. Opening Reception at Dave & Buster's (provided by TDCAA)**



## Thursday, September 21—All training will be held at the convention center.

### Trial Skills Advancement

**8:30 a.m. Criminal Motion Practice**

JoAnn Linzer, First Asst. Criminal District Attorney, Grimes County

**9:45 a.m. Voir Dire**

Jason Goss, Asst. Criminal District Attorney, Bexar County

**11:00 a.m. Impeachment**

Ryan Calvert, Asst. District Attorney, Brazos County

### Civil Practitioners

**8:30 a.m. Tax Abatement and Other Forms of Economic Development**

Doug Ray, Asst. County Attorney, Harris County

**9:45 a.m. Asset Forfeiture Refresher**

Ann Montgomery, Asst. County and District Attorney, Ellis County

**11:00 a.m. Bond ... Bail Bonds**

David Finney, Asst. Criminal District Attorney, Dallas County

### Prosecutors Without Borders

**8:30 a.m. Immigration Processes**

Christian Stringer, Asst. Chief Counsel, Dept. of Homeland Security, ICE

**9:45 a.m. International Extradition**

Roberto Ramos, Asst. District Attorney, El Paso County

**11:00 a.m. Plea-Bargain Consequence Reality Check**

Melinda Westmoreland, Asst. Criminal District Attorney, Tarrant County

### Trial Skills Advancement

**1:30 p.m. Social Media / Digital Evidence**

Aaron Moncibaiz, Asst. Criminal District Attorney, Lubbock County

**2:45 p.m. Record Preservation and Jury Charges**

Lauren Scott, Asst. Criminal District Attorney, Bexar County

**4:00 p.m. Putting on the (Post-Conviction) Writs**

Andréa Jacobs, Asst. Criminal District Attorney, Tarrant County

### Civil Practitioners

**1:30 p.m. New Tools to Combat Cyberbullying**

Tiffany Leal, Asst. Criminal District Attorney, Comal County

**2:45 p.m. Your Recusal Kit**

Chris Ponder, Asst. Criminal District Attorney, Tarrant County

**4:00 p.m. §1983 Suits and Tort Claims Act Update**

C. Scott Brumley, County Attorney, Potter County

## Noon Lunch (provided)

### Prosecutorial Discretion

**1:30 p.m. Intake & The Pursuit of Justice**

Jarvis Parsons, District Attorney, Brazos County

**2:45 p.m. Specialty Courts & Diversion**

Staley Heatly 46th Judicial District Attorney, & Erik Nielsen, Asst. District Attorney, Travis County

**4:00 p.m. Keeping the Public Record**

Tiana Sanford, Asst. District Attorney, Montgomery County

## 5:00 p.m. Adjourn

## Friday, September 22—All training will be held at the convention center.

### Trial Ethics

**9:00 a.m. Conviction Integrity**

Bill Wirskyte, First Asst. Criminal District Attorney, Collin County

**10:45 a.m. Fighting Fair: Ineffective Assistance Scenarios**

W. Clay Abbott, TDCOA, Austin

**12:15 p.m. Adjourn**

### Civil Law Ethics

**9:00 a.m. Social Media Ethics for Prosecutors**

Scott Durfee, Asst. District Attorney, Harris County

**10:45 a.m. Lawyers in Crisis**

Chris Ritter, Texas Lawyers Assistance Program

**12:15 p.m. Adjourn**

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## Policing Your Own

### 8:30 a.m. Special Issues in the Investigation and Prosecution of Peace Officers

Brett Ligon, District Attorney, Montgomery County

### 9:45 a.m. The TCOLE Toolbox

Patrick Wilson, County and District Attorney, Ellis County, and Captain Candice Simon, Texas Commission on Law Enforcement

### 11:00 a.m. Dealing with the Aftermath

Speaker TBD

## Investigators

### 8:30 a.m. Exclusionary Rule

Nathan Brown, Asst. District Attorney, El Paso County

### 9:45 a.m. Cloud-Based Digital Evidence Collection

Lindsey Roberts, First Asst. District Attorney, Williamson County

### 11:00 a.m. Code-Breaking

Dave Simpson, Cryptanalyst Forensic Examiner, FBI Crime Laboratory

## Key Personnel & VACs

### 8:30 a.m. Human Trafficking

Kirsta Melton, Asst. Attorney General, Austin

### 9:45 a.m. Small Town Justice

Mike Fouts, 39th Judicial District Attorney

### 11:00 a.m. Assisting Victims with Immigration Concerns

Speaker TBD

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### 1:30 p.m. Meet the New CPS

### 2:45 p.m. Crisis Intervention Through Effective Communication

Walter Redman & Wilmon Smith, Investigators, Harris County District Attorney's Office

### 4:00 p.m. Crisis Intervention Through Effective Communication (Cont'd)

## Investigators

### 1:30 p.m. Writs of Attachment

Holly Lytle, Asst. County Attorney, El Paso County

### 2:45 p.m. Investigators as VACS

Wanda Ivicic, Victim Assistance Coordinator, Williamson County

### 4:00 p.m. Community Policing

Speaker TBD

## Key Personnel & VACs

### 1:30 p.m. Expunction and Nondisclosure Compliance

Andrea Westerfeld, Asst. Criminal District Attorney, Collin County

### 2:45 p.m. Strategies to Improve the Protective Order Process

Kim Piechowiak, Domestic Violence Training Attorney, Office of Court Administration, Austin

### 4:00 p.m. Courthouse and Therapy Dogs

Service Dogs Inc.

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## Investigators

### 9:00 a.m. Work Product v. Brady

Jack Roady, Criminal District Attorney, Galveston County

### 10:45 a.m. Troubleshooting Juvenile Investigations

Brandon Dakroub, Asst. County Attorney, Williamson County, and Jana Jones, Special Prosecution Unit

### 12:15 p.m. Adjourn

## VAC Core Training Workshop

### 9:00 a.m. Key Personnel & VAC Forum

Moderated by Jalayne Robinson, TDCAA Victim Services Director

### 10:45 a.m. Advanced VAC Training

Cyndi Jahn, Victim Services, Bexar County & Jalayne Robinson, TDCAA Victim Services Director

### 12:15 p.m. Adjourn

