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BORDER PROSECUTION UNIT

2022 Region 3 Meeting

Isla Grand, South Padre Island, TX

Feb 9th MCLE #174146787 - 6.25 Hours

Feb. 9th TCOLE – 6 Hours - #3150 General Law

Feb. 10th TCOLE- 4 Hours #3187 Legislative Update

Wednesday, Feb 9

- 8:15 a.m. **Welcome & Course Introduction**
Border Prosecution Unit Board & Staff
- 8:30 a.m. **Understanding and Working With Federal Partners Along the Border**
Austin Skero, BPU Investigator 452nd District Attorney
- 9:30 a.m. **Break**
- 9:45 a.m. **Understanding and Working With Federal Partners Along the Border (continued)**
Austin Skero, BPU Investigator 452nd District Attorney
- 10:45 a.m. **Break**
- 11:00 a.m. **Investigative Strategies for Human Trafficking and Smuggling Cases**
Connie Spence, Megan Pepper and Talisa Gutierrez, Texas Office of the Attorney General, Human Trafficking & Transnational/Organized Crime Section
- Noon **Lunch**
- 1:15 p.m. **Investigative Strategies for Human Trafficking and Smuggling Cases (continued)**
Connie Spence, Megan Pepper, and Talisa Gutierrez, Texas Office of the Attorney General, Human Trafficking & Transnational/Organized Crime Section

- 2:15 p.m. **Break**
- 2:30 p.m. **Investigating an Organized Criminal Activity Case**
Alison Buess, Assistant District Attorney, Comal County
- 3:30 p.m. **Break**
- 3:45 p.m. **Investigating an Organized Criminal Activity Case (continued)**
Alison Buess, Assistant District Attorney, Comal County
- 5:00 p.m. **Adjourn**

Thursday, Feb 10

- 8:00 a.m. **87th Legislative Session Update – TCOLE #3187 Mandated Course**
Melissa Hightower, Retired Chief Investigator, Williamson County Attorney's office; Terese Buess, Retired Prosecutor, Ft. Bend County D.A.'s office
- 9:45 a.m. **Break**
- 10:00 a.m. **87th Legislative Session Update – TCOLE #3187 Mandated Course**
Melissa Hightower, Retired Chief Investigator, Williamson County Attorney's office; Terese Buess, Retired Prosecutor, Ft. Bend County D.A.'s office
- 12:15 p.m. **Adjourn**