Elected Prosecutor Conference Agendas

Due to spacing restrictions, TDCAA will host two sections of our Elected Prosecutor Conference. Both sections will have the same curriculum and the same number of MCLE and ethics hours, and both will take place at the same host hotel. The difference is in the schedules (see below). Please see the registration page on our website, tdcaa.com, for more specific information.

Section One

Tuesday, June 8

9:20 a.m. Welcome and Introduction

9:30 a.m. Keynote: Leadership at the Courthouse

in Challenging Times

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Noon Lunch (on your own)

2:00 p.m. A Prosecutor's Guide to Dispositions & Diversions

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3:30 p.m. County & District Attorney Forums

Because of time and space constraints, our normal CA and DA forums will be combined, so come with your issues and we can talk them out. (1½ hours)

5:00 p.m. Adjourn

Section One

Wednesday, June 9

9:00 a.m. Mental Health 101: Challenges & Treatment Options

The criminal justice system sees four broad categories of mental health issues: mood disorders, psychotic disorders, intellectual or developmental disabilities, and PTSD/veteran issues. Learn about the differences from an expert and what treatment modalities are best suited for successful solutions. (1 hour)

10:00 a.m. Diversity in Prosecution

An update from TDCAA's Diversity, Recruitment, & Retention Committee. (30 minutes)

11:00 a.m. Previewing TDCAA's Summer Legislative Updates

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Noon Adjourn

Section One

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9:00 a.m. Immunity & Liability

As the law relating to a prosecutor's duties and liabilities has shifted and developed in the last few years, it is more important than ever to appreciate the protections the law offers prosecutors—and the bear traps. (1 hour)

10:00 a.m. Sexual Assault Task Force

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11:00 a.m. Price Gouging in Times of Disaster

During a disaster this winter, many members of our communities faced pricegouging in times of critical need. What are strategies that local district and county attorneys can nimbly employ to protect their constituents when they need it most? (1 hour)

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Section Two

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1:50 p.m. Welcome and Introduction

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9.5 hours of MCLE, including 2 hours of ethics

The host hotel:
Wyndham Riverwalk
111 E. Pecan St.
San Antonio, TX 78205

Call 866/764-8536 for reservations and mention TDCAA to get the discounted rate.

The room rate
is \$124 plus tax; this
rate is good until
May 19 or until sold
out, whichever
comes first

Payment Options:

Only full-time county or district attorneys and/or their staffs may attend the conference at the \$175 or \$350 rate. All others must pay \$500. Full-time prosecutors or staff members who pay only the \$175 registration fee are entitled to attend all training courses but cannot attend any association functions. An additional association fee of \$175 (\$350 total) is each participant's share of costs over and above what the grant allows (for example, excess costs of meals and association overhead). In addition, this fee enables TDCAA to lock in discounted hotel rates and entitles the attendee to attend all association functions, including any receptions and lunches.

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