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Elected Prosecutor Course

December 4-6, 2019

Lakeway, TX

12.5 hours of MCLE, including 1 hour of ethics

The host hotel:
Lakeway Resort & Spa
101 Lakeway Dr.
Lakeway, TX 78734
512/261-6600

Rooms are
\$129 plus tax
(good until Nov. 3 or
the block is sold out,
whichever is first).
Mention code 1000EP
for the group
rate.

Payment options for attending this seminar:

- ☐ **\$350 Registration** (\$175 Registration fee + \$175 Association fee): For CAs, DAs, CDAs, C&DAs, and their office personnel. The 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.
- ☐ **\$175 "Training Only" Registration:** For CAs, DAs, CDAs C&DAs and their office personnel. This fee does not allow an attendee to participate in receptions or lunches but entitles the attendee admittance to all training sessions.
- ☐ **\$500 Registration:** For everyone else.

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Elected Prosecutor Course Agenda

Prosecutor Management Institute’s Elected Edition

Tuesday, December 3 9 a.m.–6 p.m.

Wednesday, December 4 9 a.m.–Noon

This course requires separate registration and payment from the Elected Prosecutor Course. See the flyer enclosed with this brochure for more information, and go to www.tdcaa.com/training to sign up.

Wednesday, December 4

- 1:00 p.m. Welcome and Introductions**
- 1:15 p.m. Human Trafficking: Occurrence, Investigation, and Prosecution Strategies**
From forced labor to the sex trade, human trafficking has become the criminal justice issue of our time. Perception meets reality in this hour-long discussion of the modern-day trafficking of persons.
- 2:45 p.m. Domestic Violence: High-Risk Teams and Promising Rural Strategies**
The value of independent prosecutor’s offices is perhaps best seen in the development of new solutions to widely experienced problems. Hear how two offices in Texas have begun tackling the most problematic of domestic violence cases, and learn how you can replicate their efforts.
- 4:00 p.m. Management Training Report: The Tuesday Course Report and the Influencer Project**
Get the skinny on current Prosecutor Management Institute doings, our special elected-only course, and what we’ve got stretching over the horizon.
- 4:30 p.m. The State Bar of Texas Q&A**
If you are kept up at night replaying questions and concerns about the State Bar, here’s your chance to get the “neigh” straight from the source.
- 5:00 p.m. Adjourn to TDCAA’s Annual Business Meeting**
- 5:15 p.m. Opening Reception (provided by TDCAA)**

Thursday, December 5

- 8:30 a.m. Sexual Assault Policies, Practices, and Challenges**
The public’s eye has focused its gaze upon the prosecution of adult sexual assault offenses. This attention affords prosecutors an opportunity to revisit the difficulties posed by these cases, engage the interest of the community, and strategize methods to better assist victims of these offenses, regardless of the outcome.
- 9:45 a.m. Immunity, Liabilities, and SLAPP Lawsuits**
The scope of our immunities and the breadth of our liability shapes the limits of our discretion. Knowing where the lines are ensures we do not run afoul of our duty to see justice done. This hour will reveal those lines and provide new solutions for when someone attempts to use a lawsuit to frustrate a prosecutor’s oath.
- 11:00 a.m. Financial Affairs: The Statutory Tangle of DA and CA Retirement & Compensation**
Public service means public pay, and in the case of Texas’s elected prosecutors, that means checking the law and making calculations that can vary based on the circumstance of geography and time. This hour will feature a panel of your peers detailing their experiences with legislatively controlled compensation.
- Noon Lunch (provided by TDCAA)**
- 1:30 p.m. Legislative Hot Spots**
The 2019 legislative session has ended, but the fallout remains. TDCAA’s Legislative Liaison will recap the session, highlight persistent issues, and prepare you for the ever-looming 2021 session.
- 2:15 p.m. Crime Lab Update**
Forensic science evolves. Techniques refine, instruments improve, and priorities shift. This presentation will focus on the DPS crime lab and how it is adjusting to the sometimes at-odds demands of science and the legislature.

3:15 p.m. County Attorney Forum
Moderated by: Eduardo “Eddie” Arredondo, County Attorney, Burnet County, & Teresa Todd, County Attorney, Jeff Davis County

3:15 p.m. District Attorney Forum
Moderated by: Kenda Culpepper, Criminal District Attorney, Rockwall County, & Staley Heatly, 46th Judicial District Attorney

These two breakout sessions provide an opportunity for elected officials to discuss such topics as mental health, DWI enforcement, resource management, and county governance.

5:00 p.m. Adjourn

Friday, December 6

- 9:00 a.m. Domestic Terrorism: The Lone Wolf Killer**
Crime fighting requires crime studying. The “how” of mass shootings and domestic terrorism is well known. Understanding the “why” is a key to evaluating threats, taking action, and being in a position to save lives. This presentation will focus on the metamorphosis from ideologue to killer.
- 12:15 p.m. Adjourn**

Registration for this seminar and other information is at tdcaa.com.

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