



TEXAS CRIMINAL DEFENSE LAWYERS ASSOCIATION

24TH ANNUAL TOP GUN DWI

SEMINAR INFORMATION

Date Friday, August 14, 2026
Location The Whitehall Hotel, 1700 Smith Street, Houston, TX 77002
Course Directors Doug Murphy & Mark Thiessen
Total CLE Hours 7.75 Ethics: 1.00

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Time	Topic	Speaker
7:30 am	<i>Registration & Continental Breakfast</i>	
8:15 am	<i>Opening Remarks</i>	Course Directors
8:30 am	0.75 Voir Dire: "One Question Voir Dire"	Neal Davis
9:15 am	0.25 TED Talk: Observations from First DWI Trial	Sean Evans
9:35 am	0.75 Defeating Drug Recognition Evidence with Scientific Studies	Doug Murphy
10:15 am	<i>Break</i>	
10:30 am	0.75 Cross Examination: Top Ten Commandments	Ryan Gertz
11:15 am	0.75 Accident Reconstruction: What You Need to Know	Michael Reyes
12:00 pm	<i>Lunch Buffet</i>	
12:15 pm	0.75 <i>Lunch Presentation:</i> Disconnect Defense: Winning Cases with High Breath & Blood Alleged Estimates	Mark Thiessen
1:00 pm	0.75 Examining Blood Discovery: Important Issue Spotting	Amanda Culbertson
1:45 pm	0.75 Winning Breath & Blood Cases without an Expert	Sean Darvishi
2:30 pm	<i>Break</i>	
2:45 pm	0.50 Challenging Police Balance Arrest Tools (SFSTs) & Breath Testing	Chris McKinney
3:15 pm	0.75 Case Law Update: The Most Important DWI Cases for your Trial Notebook	Kyle Therrian
4:00 pm	1.00 Zealously & Ethically Representing Clients: Lessons Learned From Over 50 Years of Practice <i>Ethics</i>	Rusty Hardin
5:00 pm	<i>Adjourn</i>	