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September 3-4, 2026 • The Woodlands Resort



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OVERVIEW

Anatomy of a Trial: Using AI for Texas Criminal Defense Attorneys is a cutting-edge, practice-driven program that walks defense lawyers through every phase of trial from law office management and pre-trial investigation to voir dire, jury charges, examinations, and expert challenges, showing exactly how AI can be used strategically and ethically at each step.

MEETING/LODGING LOCATION

The seminar will be held at the The Woodlands Resort located at 2301 N Millbend Dr, The Woodlands, TX 77380. The TCDLA room rate is \$189 for a single/double room. Call The Woodlands Resort at (281) 367-1100 and refer to "TCDLA" to receive the group rate.

TCDLEI SCHOLARSHIPS

The Texas Criminal Defense Lawyers Educational Institute provides various scholarships for criminal defense attorneys with financial needs. Application online at www.tcdla.com or email scholarship@tcdla.com.

AGENDA

Thursday - September 3, 2026

- 7:45 am Registration & Continental Breakfast
8:15 am Opening Remarks
8:30 am Law Office Management Using AI
9:30 am Effective Storytelling: Using AI to Craft Powerful Openings & Closings
10:50 am Pre-Trial Investigation: Leveraging AI to Set the Tone & Tempo Before Trial Begins
11:50 am Lunch
12:30 pm Voir Dire Strategy: Using AI to Identify Bias & Shape Jury Selection
1:50 pm AI Legal Research
2:50 pm Direct Examination Done Right: Using AI to Structure a Conversation Worth Listening to & to Present Evidence in an Effective Manner
4:10 pm How to Present Visual Evidence
5:00 pm Adjourn

Friday - September 4, 2026

- 7:45 am Registration & Continental Breakfast
8:15 am Opening Remarks
8:30 am Hands on How to Use AI Platforms
9:30 am Cross-Examination: Using AI to Dissect the Adversarial Witness
10:50 am The Expert Witness: Using AI to Prepare, Challenge, & Litigate Rule 705 Expert
11:50 am Lunch
12:30 pm How to Tell if it is Fake – Videos, Pictures, or AI Research?
1:50 pm Ethics of AI
2:50 pm Attacking the State Usage & How Fight Cops or DA Using AI
3:50 pm Adjourn

TCDLA's AI & the Anatomy of a Trial

CONTACT INFORMATION

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Early Registration Before August 17 Onsite Registration After August 17
Member \$315 \$365
Non-Member \$515 \$565
ADD-ONS: Book \$60 USB Video \$75
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USB \$100
Book + USB \$390

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