

Appellate, Mental Health, and Capital Houston, Texas – February 6-7, 2025

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<input type="checkbox"/>	\$0 including – no show fee of \$50 will be charged (law enforcement not allowed)
<input type="checkbox"/>	Criminal Defense Attorney <input type="checkbox"/> PD
<input type="checkbox"/>	Investigator <input type="checkbox"/> Judge <input type="checkbox"/> Mitigator
<input type="checkbox"/>	Add on Vegetarian Meal Option - \$5

Onsite lunches are limited and may not be available

Register

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Lodging

Cambria Houston Downtown is located at 1314 Texas Ave, Houston, TX 77002. The TCDLA room rate is \$122 for a single or double. Call the hotel at (713) 222-210 and refer to "TCDLA" to receive our group rate. **The group rate is available until January 22, 2025, or until room block is full, whichever occurs first.**

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Raising the Bar - Appellate — CLE 7.00 Ethics 1.00 Thursday, February 6, 2025

Whether this is your first brief or your hundredth brief, as defenders, we can all be better. This seminar will focus on elevating your appellate practice to the next level. Hear from some of the best in the field on ways to enhance your practice.

- 8:15 am *Opening Remarks*
 8:30 am **TRAPS for the Unwary** ~ Doug Gladden
 9:15 am **CCA Barriers to Relief** ~ Michael Falkenberg
 10:15 am **Ethics & Appeals** ~ Stephanie Stevens
 11:15 am **CCA Update** ~ TBD
 12:30 pm *Lunch Presentation:* Keynote Address ~ Justice *Ethics* David Schenck
 1:45 pm **Voluntary/Involuntary Statements** ~ Jessica Anderson
 2:45 pm **Setting up the PDR** ~ Panel: Anne Burnham, Corey Fawcett, & Ted Wood
 3:45 pm **Areas Ripe for Reversal** ~ Public Defender Office Roundtable/Open Discussion
 4:30 pm *Adjourn*

Mental Health & Juveniles – CLE 6.25 Ethics 1.00 Thursday, February 6, 2025

This program will introduce trial lawyers to the manifestations of common mental illnesses, deficiencies, and other conditions which affect our ability to communicate with and present complete pictures of our clients. Attendees will be taught how to work with mental health professionals and their clients to present a compelling case for life.

- 8:55 am *Opening Remarks*
 9:00 am **Chapter 55 & How to Work Through It & What Motions & When to File** ~ Tressa Surratt
 10:00 am **Competency & Insanity: Comparing the Adult & Juvenile Systems** ~ Bill Cox
 11:00 am **Juvenile Forensics Evaluations** ~ Dr. Uche Chibueze
Lunch Presentation: State Hospital,
 12:15 pm **Admission, & Criteria** ~ Matthew Moravec-Gallagher
 1:15 pm **Juvenile Special Topics** ~ Alyse Ferguson
 2:00 pm **Fitness Restoration** ~ Dr. Flor Iturri & Rep. Gene Wu
 3:15 pm **Guardian of Litem & Delinquency Work** ~ *Ethics* Matthew Dexter
 4:15 pm *Adjourn*

Capital Murder Training – CLE 7.00 Ethics 2.00 Friday, February 7, 2025

Research shows that capital defendants are made, not born. They are made by the circumstances in which they are raised, the culture they learn, the mental capacities they inherit, the drugs they are exposed to, and the coping skills they develop as they mature.

- 8:55 am *Opening Remarks*
 9:00 am **Mental Health Issues in Capital Cases** ~ Patti Sedita
 10:00 am **Police Officer Background Research in *Ethics* Capital Cases** ~ Nicole DeBorde Hochglaube
 11:15 am **Forensic Issues in Capital Cases** ~ Nicolas Hughes
 12:15 pm *Lunch Provided*
 12:45 pm *Ethics*
 1:45 pm **Cross Examination** ~ Brett Podolsky
 3:00 pm **Opening Statement & Closing Argument** ~ Julio Vela
 4:00 pm **Capital Murder—Caselaw Update** ~ Jerald Graber
 5:00 pm *Adjourn*