



# TEXAS CRIMINAL DEFENSE LAWYERS ASSOCIATION

## MANAGED ASSIGNED COUNCIL TRAINING

### SEMINAR INFORMATION

Date February 19-20, 2026  
Location Wyndham Garden Austin, 3401 S. I-35, Austin, TX 78741  
Course Directors Jim Bethke, Rusty Gunter, & Bradley Hargis  
Total CLE Hours 14.25 Ethics: 0.00  
Room Highland Lakes Grand Ballroom (unless noted)

#### Thursday, February 19, 2026

Daily CLE Hours: 8.25 Ethics: 0.00

Time	CLE	Topic	Speaker
8:15 am		<i>Registration &amp; Continental Breakfast</i>	
8:45 am		<i>Opening Remarks</i>	Course Directors
9:00 am	1.00	Year in Review	Rusty Gunter, Bradley Hargis, Jim Bethke, & Ben Gifford
10:00 am	0.75	Padilla	Katy Jo Muncie
10:45 am	0.75	The New Frontier of MACs	Amrutha Jindal
11:30 am		<i>Lunch Line</i>	
11:45 am	0.75	<i>Lunch Presentation:</i> Training the Trainer	Professor Cynthia Alkon
12:30 pm		<i>Break</i>	
12:45 pm	1.00	Standardized Metrics for MACs	Jessy Tyler & Meg Ledyard
1:45 pm	1.50	Defense Delivery Systems in Texas	Jim Bethke
3:15 pm		<i>Break</i>	
3:30 pm	0.75	Controlling Caseloads	Scott Ehlers
4:15 pm	0.75	Building an Interdisciplinary Defense Team	Eldon Whitworth, Katy Jo Muncie, & Sarah Velasquez
5:00 pm		<i>Dinner Line</i>	
5:15 pm	1.00	Cross-Functional Groups #1-5 ( <b>Lady Bird Lake Ballroom</b> )	
6:15 pm		<i>Adjourn</i>	



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#### Friday, February 20, 2026

Daily CLE Hours: 6.00 Ethics: 0.00

Time	CLE	Topic	(Room)	Speaker
7:45 am		<i>Registration &amp; Continental Breakfast</i>		
8:00 am	3.00	Tracks by Duties: #1: Management/Leadership: Voucher Policy & Data Management ( <b>San Gabriel</b> ) #2: Attorney Oversight/Mentoring Attorneys: Managing Conflicts ( <b>Barton Creek</b> ) #3: Social Work/Case Management/Mental Health/Investigators ( <b>Lake LBJ</b> ) #4: Non-Citizen/Padilla/Operation Lone Star ( <b>Ladybird Lake Ballroom</b> ) #5: Operations: Administrative ( <b>Guadalupe</b> )		Facilitators: Rusty Gunter  Bradley Hargis  Katy Jo Muncie  Morgan Shelburne  Ben Gifford
11:00 am		<i>Lunch Line</i>		
11:15 am	1.00	<i>Lunch Presentation:</i> Taking it Further the Next Step ( <b>Highland Lakes Grand Ballroom</b> )		Ariel Payan & Eldon Whitworth
12:15 pm		<i>Break</i>		
12:30 pm	2.00	Cross-Functional Groups – Fact Pattern Group 1 ( <b>San Gabriel</b> ) Group 2 ( <b>Barton Creek</b> ) Group 3 ( <b>Guadalupe</b> ) Group 4 ( <b>Highland Lakes Grand Ballroom</b> ) Group 5 ( <b>Ladybird Lake Ballroom</b> )		
2:30 pm		<i>Adjourn</i>		