

**8th Annual Honorable Craig Washington and Commissioner
Rodney Ellis Excellence in Indigent Defense Series**

Agenda

February 22, 2019

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| 8:00 a.m. | Registration & Breakfast |
| 8:30 a.m. | Opening Remarks- Gary Bledsoe, Acting Dean, TMSL |
| 8:30 a.m. | Juvenile Practice & Ethics- Steve Halpert, HCPDO |
| 10:00 a.m. | Avoiding Ineffective Assistance of Counsel- TBD |
| 10:30 a.m. | BREAK |
| 10:45 a.m. | Bail Reform- Alec Karakatsanis, Civil Rights Corps |
| 11:45 a.m. | BREAK- Lunch Provided |
| 12:00 p.m. | Lunch Presentation Honorable Craig Washington and Honorable Rodney Ellis, Harris County Commissioner |
| 12:30 p.m. | Texas Fair Defense Act: Have Things Changed? Geoffrey Burkhart |

- 1:00 p.m. Pre-Trial Preparation for Winners- Troy McKinney, Schneider and McKinney, PC
- 2:30 p.m. BREAK**
- 2:45 p.m. Preserving Error: Before, During & After Trial- Jani Maselli, HCPDO
- 3:45 p.m. Telling the Client's Story- Mark W. Bennett, Bennett & Bennett
- 4:15 p.m. Client Centered Representation & Effective Interviews Damon Parrish, HCPDO
- 5:00 p.m. Adjourn**