



TEXAS CRIMINAL DEFENSE LAWYERS ASSOCIATION

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SEMINAR INFORMATION

Date August 6-7, 2026
Location Wyndham Garden | 3401 S. I-35, Austin, TX 78741
Course Director Chase Baumgartner, Jessi Freud, Gary Udashen, & Mike Ware
Total CLE Hours 12.00 Ethics: 1.00

Thursday, August 6, 2026

Daily CLE Hours: 6.00 Ethics: 0.00

Time	CLE	Topic	Speaker
12:00 pm		Registration	
12:55 pm		Opening Remarks	
1:00 pm	1.00	Update on Legal Issues	Gary Udashen
2:00 pm	1.00	DNA Q&A: Activity Level Propositions	Matt Quataro & Chase Baumgartner
3:00 pm		Break	
3:15 pm	1.25	Cognitive Bias in Prosecuting Carmen Mejia	TBD
4:30 pm	0.75	Tex. R. Displ. Rule 3.09 & the Future	TBD
5:15 pm		Adjourn	
5:45 pm		Dinner Line	
6:00 pm	2.00	Dinner Program: Tommy Lee Walker's Exoneration	Cynthia Garza, TBD
8:00 pm		Adjourn	



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Time	CLE	Topic	Speaker
8:00 am		Registration & Continental Breakfast	
8:25 am		Opening Remarks	Mike Ware
8:30 am	1.00	Allen Andre Causey & YSM	Chase Baumgartner, Jessi Freud, & Mike Ware
9:30 am	1.00	*Investigator Presentation	TBD
10:30 am		Break	
10:45 am	1.00	*Representing Innocent People at Trial	TBD
12:00 pm		Lunch Line	
12:15 pm	0.75	Lunch Presentation: Actual Innocence: History and a Path Forward	Hon. David Newell
1:00 pm		Break	
1:15 pm	1.25	*Forensic Firearm Issues	TBD
2:15 pm	1.00 Ethics	Exoneration Panel	TBD
3:15 pm		Adjourn	