

14th Annual Round Top: Advanced Trial Academy

Round Top Festival Institute, Round Top, TX | September 23 - 26, 2026 | 22.00 CLE including 1.00 Ethics

Space is Limited!

Course Directors

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Overview

This intensive four-day course teaches trial lawyers to effectively discover and communicate their clients' stories to juries, judges, and prosecutors.

- Hands-on approach rather than traditional PowerPoint presentations
- Group work with fellow attorneys using psychodrama techniques
- Reenactment of case events to develop stronger storytelling skills
- Self-exploration components to enhance jury communication abilities

What Past Attendees Loved Most

"The creativity and openness that this CLE captivates, with a location that matches the program."

"This is a life changing seminar."

"It encourages creativity and thinking about cases differently and shows how to connect the case and client to a jury."

Location

Round Top Festival Institute, 248 Jaster Rd. Round Top, TX 78954

Included in Registration

Registration includes rooms (double occupancy) and meals. TCDLA will handle reserving rooms. **Space is limited.**

Registration

- ☐ Double Occupancy & Meals - \$150 Deposit

Preferred Roommate: _____

- ☐ Single Occupancy - \$528

- ☐ Vegetarian Meal Options

- ☐ Other Meal Needs: _____

- ☐ Add On, Lunch to Go Saturday - Complimentary

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Agenda

Wednesday, September 23, 2026

2:00pm–5:00pm *Student Check In*

5:30 pm *Dinner Provided & Faculty Meeting*

7:00 pm Introductions

Group Work – Psychodramatist

9:30 pm *Adjourn*

Thursday, September 24, 2026

7:30 am *Breakfast Provided*

9:00 am Psychodramas

12:00 pm *Lunch Provided*

2:00 pm Psychodramatist

5:30 pm *Dinner Provided & Faculty Meeting*

7:00 pm Big Group: Discovering the Story
Training for your Opening Statement
and Closing Argument

9:30 pm *Adjourn*

Friday, September 25, 2026

7:30 am *Breakfast Provided*

9:00 am Breakout Sessions ~ Training Staff

12:00 pm *Lunch Provided & Faculty Meeting*

2:00 pm Breakout Sessions

5:30 pm *Dinner Provided & Faculty Meeting*

7:00 pm Breakout Sessions

9:00 pm *Adjourn*

Saturday, September 26, 2026

7:30 am *Breakfast provided*

9:00 am Breakout Sessions ~ Training Staff

11:00 am Closing Session ~ Training Staff

12:00 pm *Adjourn - Lunch on own or bagged lunch*

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*This course is funded by a grant from the Texas Court
of Criminal Appeals*

Contact Information

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TCDLA Membership Fees (*renew or join as a new member*)

☐ New Member or Second-Year Member \$100

Endorser Name: _____

☐ Renew Membership \$180

☐ Public Defender \$60

☐ prefer not to participate in auto renewal

Total Payment: \$ _____

Card Required

(CASH IS NOT ACCEPTED)

Payment type: ☐ Credit Card ☐ Check

Credit Card Number _____ Expiration Date _____

Name on Card _____

Signature _____ CVV _____

General Information

NOTE: Please read before registering: you may not register for this program if you are, or are working for, or are affiliated, clerking or interning with: a full-time law enforcement officer, a full or part-time state or federal prosecutor, or if you are a full or part-time criminal defense attorney who is currently acting as a prosecutor or special prosecutor in a capital case. CDLP programs are for criminal defense lawyers and supporting staff who regularly represent indigent Defendants. (unfortunately, no exceptions).

*Tuition will be used to cover future expenses of TCDLA's grant programs or to provide for items that the grant cannot sufficiently cover. **Voluntary contributions go to support The Texas Criminal Defense Lawyers Association (TCDLA), a nonprofit organization, and will go directly to TCDLA's private fund account.

CANCELLATION POLICY: To receive a refund-less 10% processing fee-cancellations must be received in writing 14 days prior to the seminar (email kreston@tcdla.com). Registrants who paid tuition and are not entitled to a refund will receive the course materials. Tuition waiver recipients must attend the program to receive materials.

By registering, you acknowledge that an inherent risk of exposure to COVID-19 exists in any public place where people are present. By attending the TCDLA Events, you and any guests voluntarily assume all risks related to exposure to COVID-19 and agree not to hold the TCDLA, or any of their affiliates