



TEXAS CRIMINAL DEFENSE LAWYERS ASSOCIATION

10 HOUR CLE

CO-SPONSORED WITH HARRIS COUNTY PUBLIC DEFENDER OFFICE

SEMINAR INFORMATION

Date Wednesday & Thursday October 22-23, 2025
Location University of Houston – Downtown | 1 Main St., Houston, TX, 77002
Course Directors Diana Olvera, Megan Bové, & Betsy Stukes
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10:00 am		<i>Registration</i>	
10:45 am		<i>Opening Remarks</i>	Diana Olvera
11:00 am	1.00	Erasing the Echoes: Navigating Record-Sealing & Expunctions for Trial Attorneys	Stephanie Marrone
12:00 pm		<i>Lunch Line</i>	
12:15 pm	1.00	<i>Lunch Presentation:</i> Guns & Guilty Pleas: Firearm Possession After Conviction	Ronnie Yates
1:15 pm		<i>Break</i>	
1:30 pm	1.00	ALRs & the Roadblocks to Reinstatement	Sean Darvishi
2:30 pm	1.00	When the Mind is on Trial: Understanding Incompetency Findings	Staci Biggar
3:30 pm	1.00	The Weight of a Sex Offense Label	Scott Smith
4:30 pm		<i>Adjourn</i>	



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12:15 pm	1.00	<i>Lunch Presentation:</i> Freedom Deferred: Parole Eligibility	Gary Cohen
1:15 pm		<i>Break</i>	
1:30 pm	1.00	The Hidden Cost of Enhancements	Damon Parrish
2:30 pm	1.00	The Enduring Impact of Affirmative Findings of Family Violence	Jane Vara
3:30 pm	1.00 <i>Ethics</i>	The Ethical Fallout: Why Collateral Consequences Matter in Defense Work	Genesis Draper
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