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THURSDAY EVENING, MARCH 3, 2005

4:00 p.m. Registration Opens

6:00 p.m. Welcome Reception

San Jacinto Ballroom

8:00 p.m. Dinner on your own

FRIDAY MORNING, MARCH 4, 2005

Presiding Officer:
Mike Gregory, J.D., Denton

6:30 a.m. Optional morning walk

Everyone welcome. Meet in the hotel lobby.

8:00 a.m. Registration Opens

Includes continental breakfast.

9:00 a.m.

Welcome and Opening Remarks

Leota H. Alexander, J.D., Dallas
Retreat Director

Larry Hance, J.D., Dallas
President, Collaborative Law Institute of Texas

9:10 a.m. .33 hr

Special Remarks

Kelly Frels, J.D., Houston
President, State Bar of Texas

9:30 a.m. .33 hr

Leadership and Self-Renewal for Collaborative Professionals

"Evolution": a process in which something passes by degrees to a different stage (especially a more advanced or mature stage). The evolution of family law by way of the collaborative process has been dramatic and positive—for attorneys who practice family law and for couples who are facing divorce. Having practiced family law for over 35 years, I have witnessed the evolution of family law and I see in the future an even greater role for the collaborative process.

Thomas L. Ausley, J.D., Austin

9:50 a.m. Break

10:05 a.m. 1.75 hr

Workshop: Non-Adversarial Communication: The Essence of Collaboration

Non-adversarial communication makes collaboration possible by creating understanding and shifting people from seeing the other as the enemy to seeing the other as human.

Thomas Bache-Wiig, B.S., Boulder, CO
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Arlene Brownell, Ph.D., Boulder, CO
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11:50 a.m. Break

Move to luncheon room.

12:00 p.m.

Keynote to Open Luncheon

Norma Levine Trusch, J.D., Houston
President, International Academy of Collaborative Professionals

12:05 p.m. 1.5 hr

Round Table Discussions

Each table at the luncheon will have a cross-section of lawyers, mental health professionals and financial professionals. Selected ethical and/or tough collaborative issues will be passed out to each table for discussion. A summary of the resolutions of the issues will be given to the moderator who will report to the group at the end of the luncheon or will include the results in the next CLI newsletter.

Leota H. Alexander, J.D., Dallas, Moderator

FRIDAY AFTERNOON

Presiding Officer:
Jennifer Broussard, J.D., Houston

1:45 p.m. 1.0 hr

Practice Development

Linda Rollins-Threats, Ph.D., Dallas
LRT, Inc., Psychotherapist, Private Practice
Tracy Stewart, CPA, College Station
Stewart Financial Consulting
Ruth Lavada Vernier, J.D., The Woodlands
Law Offices of Ruth Lavada Vernier

2:45 p.m. Break

3:00 p.m. 1.0 hr

Managing Client Relationships

Love, Loss and Logistics: Finding a common language for clients; Keeping the Train on the Tracks when the Wheels Fall Off; Boundaries, Boundaries, Boundaries.

Kevin Fuller, J.D., Dallas
Linda Solomon, LPC, LMFT, LCDC, Dallas
Jennifer Tull, J.D., Austin

4:00 p.m. 1.0 hr ethics

Protocols

I. Protocols of Practice for Collaborative Family Lawyers **.16 hr**

Gay Gayle Cox, J.D., Dallas

II. Protocols of Practice for Collaborative Mental Health Professionals **.42 hr**

Deborah Slye Miller, J.D., Dallas, Facilitator
John A. Zervopoulos, Ph.D., J.D., ABPP, Dallas

III. Protocols of Practice for Collaborative Financial Professionals **.42 hr**

Deborah Slye Miller, J.D., Dallas, Facilitator
Scott D. Clarke, CFP, CDFA, Colleyville
R. Maureen Tolbert, CFP, CDFA, Ft. Worth
Lynn Davis Ward, J.D., C.P.A., Dallas

5:00 p.m. Adjourn

SATURDAY, MARCH 5, 2005

Presiding Officer:
Richard C. Price, J.D., Fort Worth

6:30 a.m. Optional morning walk

Everyone welcome. Meet in the hotel lobby.

8:00 a.m. Meeting Room Opens

Includes continental breakfast.

9:00 a.m. 1.0 hr

The Evolution of Collaborative Practice

Rapid changes are occurring in collaborative law. Some lawyers are devoting their practices exclusively to collaborative law. Meanwhile, young attorneys are embracing the subject with wide acceptance. Don't miss this presentation to get a sense of where the collaborative law movement is heading.

Harry L. Tindall, J.D., Houston, Facilitator
Panel: Kristen A. Algert, J.D., Austin
Bret A. Bosker, J.D., Houston
Melinda L. Eitzen, J.D., Plano
Angela G. Pence, J.D., Houston
Stefani Shapiro, J.D., Houston
Jennifer Tull, J.D., Austin

10:00 a.m. 1.5 hr

Negotiation Workshop

The aim of this workshop is to help participants improve their skills in negotiation, joint decision-making, and joint problem-solving. To achieve these goals, the workshop will introduce a conceptual model of the basic elements of negotiation and demonstrate their use with various examples and role plays. Participants will have the opportunity to negotiate case exercises to enrich their understanding of the concepts. The workshop will also focus upon suggesting ways to train clients in negotiating techniques, enabling clients to function as equally skilled negotiating partners in the collaborative process.

Mark Otis, Ph.D., Dallas

11:30 a.m. Lunch on own

Presiding Officer:

Donald R. Royall, J.D., Houston

1:00 p.m. 1.5 hr

Negotiation Workshop, Continued

2:30 p.m. Adjourn

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KEY DATES

Registration and Cancellation

February 23, 2005, 5 p.m.

• **last day for early registration**
add \$50 for registrations
received after this time

February 25, 2005, 5 p.m.

• **last day for full refund**

February 28, 2005, 5 p.m.

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