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“your work really does make a difference”

—collaborative client to CLI attorney

These words were in a letter from a collaborative divorce client to his attorney. Eighteen months after his divorce, he wrote this letter expressing his sincere appreciation for the collaborative process. This is an example of how collaborative professionals all over the world are making a difference in people's lives. Please join us for two full days with other collaborative professionals at this year's Collaborative Law Spring Retreat. Learn new techniques, share your experiences and ideas, improve your skills, and become an even better collaborative professional.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 2006

Course Director:

Deborah Slye Miller, J.D., Dallas

Assistant Course Director:

Kristen A. Algert, J.D., Austin

8:00 a.m. Registration Opens

Includes continental breakfast.

8:45 a.m. Welcoming Remarks

Larry Hance, J.D., Dallas
Deborah Slye Miller, J.D., Dallas

9:30 a.m. .50 hr

Leadership and Self-Renewal for the Collaborative Professional

Inspire and invigorate your collaborative spirit by listening to the founder of the Collaborative Law movement in Texas.

John V. McShane, J.D., Dallas

10:00 a.m. 1.00 hr

Getting Interested in Interests

Is what your client wants the same as what your client needs and what your client can get? Learn more about how to identify interests, maintain focus on interests, transition into the negotiating phase of the process, and complete the negotiating phase.

Janet Brumley, J.D., Dallas
Mark Otis, Ph.D., Dallas
Randall B. Wilhite, J.D., Houston

11:00 a.m. Break

11:15 a.m. 1.00 hr

Interests—continued

12:15 p.m. Networking Luncheon

Included in registration.

Take advantage of this opportunity to network and dialogue with your colleagues.

1:45 p.m. 1.25 hr

Getting Comfortable with Discomfort

Difficult facts? Angry clients? Attorneys who just don't get it? Learn how to face and handle challenging situations effectively.

Kristen A. Algert, J.D., Austin
Kate Culligan, M.A., LMFT, Austin
Andrew Hoffman, Mandeville, LA
Brenda D. Keen, J.D., Houston
Robert J. Matlock, J.D., Dallas

3:00 p.m. Break

3:15 p.m. .75 hr

Getting Comfortable—continued

4:00 p.m. 1.25 hr

Cross Training for and by Collaborative Professionals

Have you ever wanted to know why financial professionals cringe in joint meetings? And what makes mental health professionals crazy? What gets the lawyers up in arms? Have you ever wished the other professions had a better understanding of your profession and why you want something done a particular way? Members of each profession tell members of the other professions what they should know about their area of expertise and what they would like to know about the other professions. Critical information to enhance your collaborative skills.

Scott D. Clarke, CDFA, Bedford
Norma Levine Trusch, J.D., Houston
Linda Solomon, LPC, LMFT, LCDC, Dallas

5:15 p.m. Adjourn to Reception

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 2006

9:00 a.m. 1.00 hr including .75 hr ethics

How You Do Anything is How You Do Everything

Why don't I have as many collaborative cases as I would like? Why are my collaborative cases not

working well? Learn the importance the roles of ethics and integration play in answering these questions. Learn to go beyond the intellectualization of the collaborative process to becoming a collaborative professional and the impact it will have on your practice.

Jennifer Tull, J.D., Austin

10:00 a.m. .50 hr

What Clients Say and You Need to Know

What do clients think about their own collaborative cases? Find out what real clients think about what we are doing and learn whether it matches our perceptions of what we are doing.

Gay Gayle Cox, J.D., Dallas
Syd Sharples, LMSW, Austin

10:30 a.m. Break

10:45 a.m. .75 hr

Debunking Myths

Ever hear any of these comments? "Only rich people can have a collaborative divorce." "Only weak lawyers practice collaborative law." These and other myths surrounding the collaborative process are debunked once and for all.

David S. Bouschor II, J.D., Denton
Janice L. Green, J.D., Austin
Camille Milner, J.D., Denton

11:30 a.m. .50 hr

CLI-TX Goals for the Future and How YOU Can Help!

Do you have questions for your Board of Trustees? Do you have suggestions? Are you interested in being active with a committee? Do you need information to know if you would like to be active with a committee? Join us for dialogue about where we are, where we are going, and how we will get there!

12:00 p.m. Lunch on Your Own

1:30 p.m.

1.00 hr

Recognizing and Removing Obstacles to a Successful Outcome

What makes flakes become snowballs or avalanches? Join the interactive discussion about how a culmination of little things can mushroom into a big explosion. Learn how to recognize and prevent the little things that often grow into big things and have the potential of precluding a successful outcome.

Kate Culligan, M.A., LMFT, Austin

Vicki M. James, LPC, LMFT, Dallas

Syd Sharples, LMSW, LMFT, Austin

Linda Solomon, LPC, LMFT, LCDC, Dallas

2:45 p.m.

Break

2:45 p.m.

2.00 hrs including .50 hr ethics

Case Autopsies

Two different real life collaborative cases are examined under a microscope by the real life participants. What went right, or wrong, what ethical issues were faced in the case, how were the ethical issues handled, and what did the participants learn?

PART I

Scott D. Clarke, CDFA, Bedford

Melinda Hartman Eitzen, J.D., Plano

Linda Solomon, LPC, LMFT, LCDC, Dallas

Jana L. Wickham, J.D., Dallas

PART II

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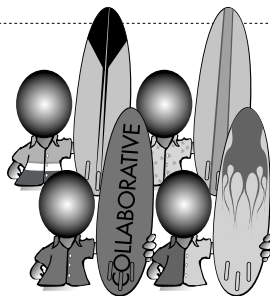
4:45 p.m.

Adjourn

ABOUT THE CONFERENCE

The 2006 Collaborative Law Spring Retreat will bring together a diverse group of collaborative law professionals, including family lawyers, mental health professionals and financial consultants. Improve your skills as a collaborator, meet contacts within the ADR community and the bar at large, and discuss important collaborative law issues, including:

- Dealing with tough and/or ethical collaborative issues
- Improving negotiation, decision-making, and problem-solving skills
- Debunking the myths about collaborative law
- Examining collaborative case "autopsies"— examining what went right or wrong in two different real-life cases



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REGISTRATION

(Includes Course Binder and Friday Networking Luncheon)

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- ☐ Early Registration Fee due by Wed. February 15, 2006..... \$295.00
- ☐ Registration Fee after Wed. February 15, 2006..... \$345.00

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- ☐ Early Registration Fee due by Wed. February 15, 2006..... \$395.00
- ☐ Registration Fee after Wed. February 15, 2006..... \$445.00

CONFERENCE PUBLICATIONS AND MEDIA

Allow 2-4 weeks from conference date for delivery.

- ☐ Course Binder WITHOUT Conference Registration \$100.00
- ☐ Audio CD Set \$125.00

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CONFERENCE LOCATION



Four Seasons Hotel

98 San Jacinto
Austin, TX 78701
512-685-8100

\$199 special group rate
(subject to availability)
good through February 1, 2006

Parking: \$6 self-parking;
\$10 valet (subject to change)

KEY DATES

Registration & Cancellation

February 15, 2006–5 p.m.
last day for early registration
add \$50 for registrations
received after this time

February 17, 2006–5 p.m.
last day for full refund

February 20, 2006–5 p.m.
last day for partial refunds
\$50 processing fee applied

February 25, 2006–9 a.m.
conference begins

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