

2008
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ABOUT THE CONFERENCE

The University of Texas School of Law presents a conference for both beginning and experienced practitioners, as well as support staff: a step-by-step guide to handling a personal injury auto claim, from the initial client contact through trial.

The program offers practical advice for pre-suit settlement considerations, damages, making an effective demand package, subrogation, liens, discovery, depositions, and much more. The conference ends with a special judicial panel—hear the do's and don'ts in car wreck cases. And, get a great set of practical materials that you'll refer to all year!

THURSDAY AFTERNOON, AUG. 14, 2008

Presiding Officer:

Lesley Howe Lorenz, Lorenz & Lorenz, L.L.P., Austin, TX

12:00 p.m. Registration Opens

Includes complimentary refreshments.

1:00 p.m. .50 hr

Texas Auto Policy

General coverage issues.

Henry L. Moore, Austin, TX

1:30 p.m. .50 hr including .25 hr ethics

To File Suit or Not to File Suit

Overview of issues related to pre-suit settlements from the plaintiff lawyer's perspective.

Donald H. Kidd, Houston, TX

2:00 p.m. .50 hr

Damages: Proof, Problems and Possibilities

Proof of elements of damages, causation problems, strategy and mindset.

Quentin Brogdon, Dallas, TX

2:30 p.m. Break

2:45 p.m. .50 hr

The Effective Demand Package

Investigating and preparing for an effective car wreck settlement package. Learn where to get the choice pieces of information to set your case apart from the others.

Leonard B. Gabbay, Austin, TX

3:15 p.m. .50 hr

Don't Forget the Evidence!

How and where to get the evidence you need for depositions, mediation and trial.

Allen Rogers, Austin, TX

3:45 p.m. .75 hr including .25 hr ethics

Liens and Subrogation

The speaker's okay, but the paper is OUTSTANDING. This is the last word on the subject of liens and subrogation. No practitioner should be without it.

Guy D. Choate, San Angelo, TX
Author: Judith A. Kostura, Austin, TX

4:30 p.m. .50 hr

Truck Wrecks

Anatomy of a truck wreck.

Frank L. Branson, III, Dallas, TX

5:00 p.m. Adjourn

FRIDAY MORNING, AUG. 15, 2008

Presiding Officer:

Price Ainsworth, Law Offices Of Price Ainsworth PC, Austin, TX

8:00 a.m. Conference Opens

Includes continental breakfast.

8:30 a.m. .75 hr

Discovery and Depositions

Do's, don'ts, what you want to get and what you want to avoid.

Brent Carpenter, Sugar Land, TX

9:15 a.m. .50 hr

Voir Dire in 30 Minutes

Effective jury selection on a short clock.

Wade A. Barrow, Austin, TX

9:45 a.m. .50 hr

Opening and Closing

Defining the case, stealing the thunder and closing the deal.

Stephen G. Boutros, Houston, TX

10:15 a.m. Break

10:30 a.m. .75 hr including .25 hr ethics

Mediation

How it's different from trial, strategic issues, what weight does a mediator have with an adjuster.

Moderator: Price Ainsworth, Austin, TX
Will Coates, Austin, TX
Randy Howry, Austin, TX

11:15 a.m. .50 hr

Direct and Cross Examination of Medical Experts: Who Will the Jury Believe?

William H. Liebke, Tyler, TX

FRIDAY AFTERNOON

Presiding Officer:

Mike Davis, Slack & Davis LLP, Austin, TX

LUNCHEON PRESENTATION

11:45 a.m. Pick up Box Lunch

Included in conference registration fee.

12:00 p.m. .75 hr including .75 hr ethics

The Noble Lawyer and the Ignoble Client: The Ethics of Communicating Well and Managing the Client's Expectations

What you always wanted to know about the ethical rules and psychology associated with various types of difficult clients. How do we ethically and effectively manage client communication and obtain justice?

William J. Chriss, Austin, TX

12:45 p.m. Break

1:00 p.m. .50 hr

Paid or Incurred: Recovery of Medical Expenses

The presentation will focus on recent developments concerning section 41.0105 of the Texas Civil Practice and Remedies Code and the practical application of the statute at the trial level.

Kirk Pittard, Dallas, TX

1:30 p.m. .50 hr

Proving Medical Care in Car Wreck Cases: Problems and Pitfalls

An examination of the governing evidentiary requirements and techniques used for proving up medical care expenses in automobile collision cases. The presentation highlights common obstacles and unexpected problems that arise in establishing the reasonableness of medical costs and the necessity of medical care for car wreck victims.

Sonia M. Rodriguez, San Antonio, TX

2:00 p.m. Break

2:15 p.m. .75 hr

UM/UIM: A Prelit and Litigation Overview

Includes recent developments concerning causes of action, defenses, and attorneys fees.

Thomas A. Crosley, San Antonio, TX

3:00 p.m. 1.00 hr

Do's and Don'ts in Car Wreck Cases: A Judges Panel

Moderator:
Mike Davis, Austin, TX

Panelists:
Hon. Carlos R. Cortez, Dallas, TX
Hon. Mark D. Davidson, Houston, TX
Hon. Carl H. Ginsberg, Dallas, TX
Hon. Martha Hill Jamison, Houston, TX
Hon. Eric M. Shepperd, Austin, TX

4:00 p.m. Adjourn

LAST YEAR'S COMMENTS

"This is the best seminar that I have been to in years . . . your speakers had very good ideas and suggestions for day-to-day practice, how to put a case together, and why you can do it this way."

"This program was one of the most informative/helpful that I have ever attended."

"First-time attendee and a non-attorney—excellent seminar—thanks for making these available to non-bar folks!"

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August 14-15, 2008

CONFERENCE LOCATION



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208 Barton Springs Rd.
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512-477-1234

Special Room Rate: \$165
good through July 14, 2008
(subject to availability)

Parking: \$5 self-parking
(subject to change)

KEY DATES

Registration & Cancellation

August 6, 2008–5 p.m.
last day for early registration
add \$50 for registrations
received after this time

August 8, 2008–5 p.m.
last day for full refund

August 11, 2008–5 p.m.
last day for partial refunds
\$50 processing fee applied

August 14, 2008–1 p.m.
conference begins

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