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THURSDAY MORNING, JUNE 22, 2006

Presiding Officer: Sherri A. Evans, Houston

8:00 a.m. Registration Opens

Includes continental breakfast.

8:35 a.m. Welcoming Remarks

8:45 a.m. .50 hr

Client Personality Patterns and Case Management Strategies for Family Law Attorneys

While each divorce is unique, there are predictable patterns in the behavior of divorcing couples. These patterns are the result of the interactions of the divorcing couples' personalities and sometimes their emotional difficulties, and if properly recognized and managed, can make it easier for family law attorneys to manage their clients and develop workable case strategies.

Kevin Karlson, Richardson

9:15 a.m. .50 hr ethics

Use and Abuse of Discovery

How to avoid going in front of a judge regarding requests for production, motions to compel, etc. How to avoid unnecessary trips to the judge.

Barbara D. Nunneley, Hurst

9:45 a.m. .50 hr ethics

Discovery of Medical and Psychological Information

This session will cover subpoena rules, including HIPPA requirements.

Kathryn Lanigan Wieser, Dallas

10:15 a.m. .50 hr ethics

Unusual Discovery

How to obtain and use those hard-to-get discovery items, including out-of-state depositions, financial records, tax returns, drug test results, police reports, and school day care records.

Angela G. Pence, Houston

10:45 a.m. Break

11:00 a.m. 1.00 hr including .25 hr ethics

Panel Discussion: Discovery

Panel discussion of abusive, medical and unusual discovery issues. Includes Q & A session.

Moderator: Barbara D. Nunneley, Hurst
Angela G. Pence, Houston
Hon. Judy L. Warne, Houston
Kathryn Lanigan Wieser, Dallas

LUNCH PRESENTATION

12:00 p.m. Pick Up Box Lunch

Included in registration.

12:15 p.m. .75 hr ethics

Witness Preparation

A smorgasbord of tactics, techniques and other tasty tidbits of wisdom for preparing your witness for court, served up in a multimedia format for your lunchtime dining pleasure.

Karl E. Hays, Austin
Jimmy Vaught, Austin

THURSDAY AFTERNOON

Presiding Officer: Jimmy Vaught, Austin

1:15 p.m. .75 hr

UCCJEA, ABC's of Custody

Jurisdictional Jeopardy: HC, UCCJEA, PKPA and other ABC's of Custody.

Miriam L. Ackels, Dallas
Lynn Kamin, Houston

WHOSE RIGHTS ARE RIGHT?

2:00 p.m. .50 hr

When Do the Constitutional Rights of Children Ripen?

Both the U.S. Constitution and the Texas Constitution give each citizen the right to "freely exercise" their religion, but the Texas Family Code give the "right to direct the moral and religious" training to the parents. Case law allows mature children to consent to medical treatment, but this right is also given to the parents. What rights are given to the children in the state of Texas? An examination of the children's rights and the Texas Family Code.

Imogen S. Papadopoulos, Houston

2:30 p.m. .50 hr

What Parents' Rights Are and Are Not

Examination and discussion of rights and limitations of parents, including bypass law.

H. E. Méndez, San Antonio

3:00 p.m. .50 hr

Grandparents' and Third Parties' Rights

Current status of grandparents' and third parties' rights to children after the legislative changes of September 2005.

Lisa Lynne Taylor, Harlingen

3:30 p.m. Break

3:45 p.m. .75 hr

Panel Discussion: Rights

Panel discussion regarding children, parents, grandparents and third party rights. Includes Q & A session.

Moderator: H. E. Méndez, San Antonio
Hon. William W. Harris, Fort Worth
Imogen S. Papadopoulos, Houston
Lisa Lynne Taylor, Harlingen

4:30 p.m. Adjourn

FRIDAY MORNING, JUNE 23, 2006

Presiding Officer: Karl E. Hays, Austin

9:00 a.m. .50 hr

CYA for the COA—Tips for Avoiding Reversal

Practical tips to protect against reversal on appeal, beginning with pre-suit considerations, jurisdictional issues, pleading do's and don'ts, and party affiliation, through final judgment, findings, and post-judgment practice.

Sallee S. Smyth, Houston

ELECTRONIC EVIDENCE

9:30 a.m. .50 hr

Gathering Electronic Evidence

What to look for in an expert; sources of evidence; and techniques for preserving it.

Paul Taylor, New York, NY

10:00 a.m. .50 hr ethics

Criminal Issues of Electronic Evidence

Criminal implications and electronic evidence gathering for the family law practitioner.

E. X. Martin, Dallas

10:30 a.m. .50 hr

Presenting Electronic Evidence

Make your evidence admissible, and present for greatest impact.

Richard L. Robertson, Plano

11:00 a.m. Break

11:15 a.m. .75 hr

Panel Discussion: Evidence

Criminal issues of electronic evidence, data recovery, and presenting electronic evidence will be discussed. Includes Q&A session.

Moderator: Richard L. Robertson, Plano
E. X. Martin, Dallas
Hon. Frank F. Rynd, Houston
Paul Taylor, New York, NY

LUNCH PRESENTATION

12:00 p.m. Pick Up Box Lunch

Included in registration.

12:15 p.m. .50 hr

Mediation, Collaboration and Other Litigation Options

To be or not to be a "litigant"—that is the question. Finding the "perfect" way to resolving your client's divorce.

Charles E. Hardy, San Antonio

FRIDAY AFTERNOON

Presiding Officer: Sue M. Hall, San Antonio

1:00 p.m. .50 hr

The ABC's of Reading a Tax Return

Discussion of how to use a tax return to identify useful financial information and to identify items that can cause pitfalls in a divorce. Includes updates of recent tax law developments that can affect parties in divorce.

Elizabeth A. Copeland, San Antonio

1:30 p.m. .50 hr

KISS—Keep It Simple, Sweetie

Tips, forms, and links for keeping the presentation of your case straightforward and easy to follow.

Patricia N. Carter, Houston
Janet McCullar, Austin

2:00 p.m. .50 hr

The Bankruptcy Reform Act of 2005: Why Do They Call it BARF?

Discussion of the impact of recent changes to the Bankruptcy Code on family law practice.

Diana S. Friedman, Dallas
Joseph A. Friedman, Dallas

2:30 p.m. Break

2:45 p.m. 1.00 hr

Removing the Mystique of Judges: Why Judges Rule as They Do

Judges have feelings too. Gain some insight into what goes through the mind of a jurist in deciding issues involving custody, adultery, relocation, property awards, domestic violence, outside-the-guidelines child support, as well as other matters commonly presented to the trial judge. A drop box for questions to be addressed will be provided.

Moderator: Warren Cole, Houston
Hon. Stephen W. Baker, Associate Judge,
Galveston
Hon. Don Emerson, Amarillo
Hon. Dennise Garcia, Dallas
Hon. Lora J. Livingston, Austin

3:45 p.m. Adjourn

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June 14, 2006–5 p.m.

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add \$50 for registrations
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June 16, 2006–5 p.m.

last day for full refund

June 19, 2006–5 p.m.

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June 22, 2006–8:45 a.m.

conference begins

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