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THURSDAY MORNING, JUNE 28, 2007

Presiding Officer: Jimmy Vaught, Austin, TX

8:00 a.m. Registration Opens

Includes continental breakfast.

8:50 a.m. Welcoming Remarks

9:00 a.m. 1.00 hr

Sex, Lies and the Internet

An in-depth look at the benefits and pitfalls associated with electronic evidence, computers and the Internet. An examination of how it may affect a family law case and the possible criminal implications associated with certain behavior. A discussion will ensue which will provide different perspectives from a family law attorney, a psychologist, and a family law judge.

Diana S. Friedman, Dallas, TX
Christopher M. Lake, Addison, TX
Hon. David Lopez, Dallas, TX
J. Randall Price, Richardson, TX

10:00 a.m. .50 hr including .25 hr ethics

Presenting a Domestic Violence Case to the Court

This presentation will take you from your first meeting with a client, to trial, with a focus on gathering and presenting evidence that is compelling to the court.

Jeana L. Lungwitz, Austin, TX

10:30 a.m. Break

10:45 a.m. .75 hr

"I Plead the Fifth"—When Family Law Becomes Criminal

This presentation will include suggestions on how to represent a client facing a family violence accusation; what a family law attorney should know about digital or computer-generated evidence, telecommunication and computer crimes; plus, practical tips on how to murder your spouse and avoid indictment—the best res gestae statements.

E. X. Martin, Dallas, TX

11:30 a.m. .50 hr

Appellate Deadlines—Timing and Post-Trial Relief

Basic appellate information useful to the family law practitioner, including the types of relief available in most family law cases, standards of review, timelines, and the importance of preserving the record.

Heather L. King, Fort Worth, TX

THURSDAY AFTERNOON

Presiding Officer: Diana S. Friedman, Dallas, TX

Luncheon Presentation

12:00 p.m. Pick Up Box Lunch

Included in conference registration fee.

12:15 p.m. .75 hr

Creative Presentation of the Family Law Case

Demonstrative evidence presentation.

Thomas P. Goranson, Dallas, TX
Kathryn L. Wieser, Dallas, TX

1:15 p.m. .75 hr

How to Effectively Cross-Examine a Psychologist

Preparing for the cross-examination of a court appointed mental health care expert; including what to look for in the report and how to interpret the testing.

Jonathan Gould, Charlotte, NC
Lynn Kamin, Houston, TX

2:00 p.m. .50 hr

Spousal Maintenance and Alimony—What They Are and What They Aren't

Spousal maintenance and alimony are simply not the same creatures. This presentation will discuss the differences between the two, especially with regards to drafting and enforcement, and outline why the difference is so important.

Angela G. Pence England, Houston, TX

2:30 p.m. Break

2:45 p.m. .50 hr

Divorce Calculations and How to Present Them to the Trier of Fact

A discussion of the steps involved in performing certain calculations that are common in divorces involving both modest and large estates. Electronic tools and templates created to perform the calculations will be provided by request.

Haran Levy, Houston, TX

3:15 p.m. .50 hr

How to Find Property Issues in the Wind, the Rain, and the Ground

In addition to oil and gas royalty income, an emerging source of royalty and revenue are found in wind turbines and water reservoirs on private lands. This presentation explores the rights of property owners and spouses, and methods for evaluation and division of mineral, water and wind farm assets. Issues of characterization and evaluation are also addressed.

Ann Coover, Corpus Christi, TX

3:45 p.m. 1.00 hr

Words from the Wise: Experienced Family Law Attorneys Chime in on Hot Topics

Moderator: Warren Cole, Houston, TX
Thomas L. Ausley, Austin, TX
Wendy S. Burgower, Houston, TX
Katherine A. Kinser, Dallas, TX
James M. Loveless, Fort Worth, TX

4:45 p.m. Adjourn

FRIDAY MORNING, JUNE 29, 2007

Presiding Officer: Karl E. Hays, Austin, TX

9:00 a.m. 1.00 hr including .50 hr ethics

Representing the Difficult Client

A panel discussion on the ethical and legal issues relating to the problem client, such as a client with a lack of mental capacity, addicted client, or abusive client. Other points of discussion include how to identify the client; what your obligations are as the attorney; how to defend the bad facts in court; and how you can zealously advocate for a client you do not believe in.

Joan Anderson, Houston, TX
Thomas L. Ausley, Austin, TX
Warren Cole, Houston, TX

10:00 a.m. .50 hr

Calculating Net Resources Without a W-2

This session focuses on the ways to find the true "income" of obligors in non-traditional jobs such as partnerships, closely-held business owners, trust fund babies, professionals, and athletes. The need to focus on alternative sources of "salary" such as dividends, distributions, bonuses, and deferred compensation and how to use these sources to make a net resource calculation is also included.

Bryan C. Rice, Fort Worth, TX

10:30 a.m. Break

10:45 a.m. .75 hr including .25 ethics

Asserting and Overcoming Hearsay Objections in the Electronic Age

An interactive experience which addresses current and common issues faced by today's trial lawyers. The presentation will address email issues, electronically-stored information, metadata, and more.

Sydney A. Beckman, Charleston, SC

11:30 a.m. .50 hr

Understanding Employee Benefits

A comprehensive review of the characterization, valuation, and diversion of employee benefits in divorce.

Randall B. Wilhite, Houston, TX

FRIDAY AFTERNOON

Presiding Officer: Sherri Evans, Houston, TX

Luncheon Presentation

12:00 p.m. Pick Up Box Lunch

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12:15 p.m. .75 hr

Are You Smart Enough to be a Family Law Attorney?

While other game shows may ask contestants to prove that they are smarter than a fifth grader, we'll be calling upon contestants from the audience to answer questions about things that every family lawyer should know. Answer the questions correctly and win "fabulous" prizes. Get the answer wrong and end up having to admit that you aren't smart enough to be a family law attorney.

Karl E. Hays, Austin, TX
William D. Powers, Austin, TX
Jimmy Vaught, Austin, TX
Warren L. Vavra, Austin, TX

1:15 p.m. .75 hr

Presenting an Economic Contribution or Reimbursement Claim at Trial

Practical tips for preparing, presenting, and proving reimbursement and economic contribution claims at trial.

Janet McCullar Vavra, Austin, TX

2:00 p.m. .50 hr

QDROs: Everything Old is New Again

More than twenty years after the passage of RE-Act, QDROs are as timely now as they were then. After reviewing the historical and present uses of QDROs, we will explore pitfalls on an order's road to qualification by the plan administrator.

Angela T. Melina Raab, Austin, TX

2:30 p.m. Break

2:45 p.m. .50 hr

Top Ten Evidentiary Issues in Family Law

What the family lawyer must know to get it in or keep it out!

Barbara D. Nunneley, Hurst, TX

3:15 p.m. 1.00 hr

Overruled: A View from the Bench

Moderator: Barbara D. Nunneley, Hurst, TX
Hon. John K. Dietz, Austin, TX
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4:15 p.m. Adjourn

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KEY DATES

Registration & Cancellation

June 20, 2007–5 p.m.
last day for early registration
add \$50 for registrations
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June 22, 2007–5 p.m.
last day for full refund

June 25, 2007–5 p.m.
last day for partial refunds
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June 28, 2007–9 a.m.
conference begins

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