

2019

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THURSDAY MORNING, JUNE 6, 2019

8:00 a.m. Registration Opens
Includes continental breakfast.

8:50 a.m. Welcoming Remarks

9:00 a.m. 1.50 hrs | .25 hr ethics

Grounds of Deportability and Inadmissibility
Review the grounds of deportability and inadmissibility, and hear strategies for contesting common grounds of removal.

10:30 a.m. .25 hr

Q&A: Grounds of Deportability and Inadmissibility

10:45 a.m. Break

11:00 a.m. 1.50 hrs | .50 hr ethics

Bond Proceedings (approx. 30 min.)
Examine bond eligibility, evidentiary requirements, and presentation of a bond determination hearing.

Challenging NTAs, Motions to Suppress, and Contesting Deportability (approx. 1 hr)

Learn how to launch procedural challenges to the Notice to Appear (NTA) and the timing, process, and substance of a Motion to Suppress. Discuss how to challenge individual allegations in the NTA, including burdens of proof, evidentiary challenges, and assessing citizenship claims.

12:30 p.m. .25 hr

Q&A: Bond Proceedings, Challenging NTAs, Motions to Suppress, and Contesting Deportability

12:45 p.m. Pick Up Lunch
Included in registration.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON

LUNCHEON PRESENTATION

1:05 p.m. .50 hr

Recent Developments in Immigration Removal Proceedings

1:35 p.m. Break

1:50 p.m. 1.50 hrs | .50 hr ethics

Challenging Crime-Based Grounds of Deportability

Discuss the categorical approach, plus a review of crime-based removability grounds, proof of conviction, doctrine of divisibility, and recent case law.

3:20 p.m. .25 hr

Q&A: Challenging Crime-Based Grounds of Deportability

3:35 p.m. Break

3:45 p.m. 1.00 hr | .50 hr ethics

Relief in Immigration Court

Learn how to build your case for relief and prepare for trial, including tips on gathering and organizing documentary evidence, preparing witnesses to testify. We will also discuss how to deal with ethical issues relating to your duty of candor to the court, confidentiality, and zealous advocacy.

4:45 p.m. .50 hr

Q&A: Relief in Immigration Court and Wrap-Up

5:15 p.m. Adjourn

FRIDAY MORNING, JUNE 7, 2019

7:30 a.m. Conference Room Opens
Includes continental breakfast.

8:00 a.m. .50 hr ethics

Ethical Issues and Self Care in Immigration Law

Learn the importance of taking care of yourself to not skate the edges of ethical representation with issue of competence and lack of communication. Attention to burn out and secondary trauma are key to keeping yourself on career marathon instead of sprint!

8:30 a.m. 1.50 hrs | .50 hr ethics

Changes to Asylum Policy

In the changing world of asylum policy, learn how to present defense claims for asylum, withholding of removal, and deferral of removal under the Convention Against Torture, including basic eligibility, crafting social group claims, issues with derivatives, and preserving issues for appeal.

10:00 a.m. .25 hr

Q&A: Asylum Policy

10:15 a.m. Break

10:30 a.m. 1.25 hrs | .25 hr ethics

Adjustment of Status (approx. 30 min.)

Explore the criteria and opportunities for adjustment of status, including family based visas and proceedings, priority dates, grandfathering, and presentation of the case in immigration court.

Cancellation of Removal and Other Discretionary Relief (approx. 25 min.)

Learn about establishing eligibility for Cancellation of Removal for permanent residents and non-permanent residents, waivers of inadmissibility, and other forms of relief.

Appeals and Motions to Reopen: The Basics (approx. 20 min.)

Get an outline and overview of the basic rules for filing appeals and motions to reopen.

11:45 a.m. .50 hr

Q&A: Adjustment of Status, Cancellation of Removal, Appeals and Motions to Reopen, and Wrap-Up

12:15 p.m. Adjourn

Please note Friday lunch is not included in registration. If you are registered for the Immigration Removal Proceedings Workshop, the conference room will reopen at 1:00 p.m. and the sessions will begin at 1:45 p.m.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON

OPTIONAL WORKSHOP

Please select on registration form. Additional \$125 registration fee.

Work directly with program faculty and colleagues in this small-group, interactive forum to apply techniques and strategies discussed throughout the course to a hypothetical case study.

1:00 p.m. Conference Room Opens

1:45 p.m. 1.50 hrs

Workshop Part I

Utilizing a case study, review and discuss bond hearings, examine a Notice to Appear (NTA) and its charges, and prepare for the first Master Calendar Hearing.

3:15 p.m. Break

3:30 p.m. 1.50 hrs

Workshop Part II

Utilizing a case study, observe a demonstration of a merits hearing, review the appeals process, and discuss how to file a motion to reopen.

5:00 p.m. Adjourn

HOW TO REGISTER

Online:

www.utcle.org/conferences/IFR19

Mail:

The University of Texas
School of Law
ATTN: CLE
PO Box 7759
Austin, TX 78713-7759

Fax:

512.475.6876

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This course has been approved for Minimum Continuing Legal Education credit by the State Bar of Texas Committee on MCLE in the amount of 14.25 hours, of which 3.00 credit hours will apply to legal ethics/professional responsibility credit. The University of Texas School of Law is a State Bar of California approved MCLE provider (#1944), and an Oklahoma Bar Association MCLE presumptively approved provider (#179).

REGISTRATION FORM

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Invoices, confirmations, and receipts are emailed to these addresses.

LIVE EVENT REGISTRATION

Special group registration rates may be available. Call 512.475.6700.

Individual Registration

Individual registration by Wednesday, May 29 \$425

Individual registration after Wednesday, May 29. \$475

Add Friday Workshop – In-person Event Only

Friday Workshop (1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.) \$125

Printed Course Binder – Available Through Wednesday, May 29

Conference registration includes Electronic Course Binder Download (PDF) in Your Briefcase.

Printed Course Binder (8.25% sales tax included). \$37.89

Printed Course Binder for Tax Exempt Registrants. \$35

Including government employees and nonprofits. Include a Tax-Exempt Certificate with order.

Dietary Restrictions (Thursday Lunch) – Available Through Wednesday, May 29

Please note food requests will be relayed to the service provider, but please note we cannot guarantee accommodation.

Vegetarian Vegan Dairy Free Gluten Free None

LIVE WEBCAST REGISTRATION – Does Not Include Friday Workshop

Includes Electronic Course Binder Download (PDF) in Your Briefcase. Please contact customer service for information regarding printed binder availability.

Individual registration \$375

TOTAL EVENT REGISTRATION \$ _____

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June 6–7, 2019

CONFERENCE LOCATION



**Drury Plaza Hotel San Antonio
 North Stone Oak**

823 North Loop 1604 East
 San Antonio, TX 78232
 210.494.2420
 800.325.0720 (reservations)

Special Room Rate: \$109
 Good through May 6, 2019
 Reference group number 2358386
 when you call reservations
 (subject to availability)

Parking:
 Complimentary self-parking
 (subject to change)

KEY DATES

May 29, 2019

Last day to order a printed binder

May 29, 2019

Last day for early registration
 add \$50 for registrations
 received after this time

May 31, 2019

Last day for full refund cancellation

June 3, 2019

Last day for partial refund cancellation
 \$50 processing fee applied

June 6, 2019, 8:50 a.m. CST

Conference and Webcast begins

CONFERENCE FACULTY

JODI M. GOODWIN practices immigration law in the trenches on the border in Harlingen, Texas. Since 1995 she has represented 1,000's of asylum seekers, economic migrants, long-term permanent residents, businesses, families, and United States citizens in immigration and nationality matters. Jodi also represents immigrants and United States citizens in federal court in both criminal and civil proceedings. Jodi is past-Chair of the Texas, Oklahoma and New Mexico Chapter of the American Immigration Lawyers Association and has served as a Director for the Cameron County Bar Association.

MICHELLE L. SAENZ-RODRIGUEZ is the co-founder of Saenz-Rodriguez & Associates in Dallas, Texas. Now in her 27th year of practice, Michelle is Board Certified in Immigration and Nationality Law by the State Bar of Texas. Michelle is former Chair for the Texas Chapter of the American Immigration Lawyers. She is currently a member of the ABA Commission on Immigration. Michelle has recently been named "Top Lawyer in the Field of Immigration for 2018" by Best Lawyers in America. She recently became a Director for the AILA Board of Governors. She is on the AILA ICE National Liaison Committee and also serves as the EOIR Liaison in Dallas, Texas.

ERICA B. SCHOMMER is a Clinical Associate Professor of Law at St. Mary's University School of Law where she teaches the Immigration and Human Rights Clinic. Before joining St. Mary's, Schommer was a partner at Rios & Cruz, P.S. in Washington State where she focused on detained removal defense and federal court litigation. From 2012 to 2015, Schommer served on the American Bar Association's Commission on Immigration and was the co-chair of the Commission's Mental Health Advisory Group. Schommer has a background in international human rights and has worked on various human rights issues in Mexico, Guatemala and Costa Rica.

JACQUELINE L. WATSON is an El Paso native and undergraduate alum of the University of Texas at El Paso. She earned her J.D. at the University of Texas School of Law. Certified in Immigration and Nationality Law by the Texas Board of Legal Specialization, Jacqueline has practiced immigration law in Austin since 1999 and proudly joined Walker-Gates Vela, PLLC in 2016. She served the AILA Texas, Oklahoma, and New Mexico Chapter as its Chair from 2015 to 2016.

REGISTRATION BENEFITS

Full Service Experience: Registration for the live event includes continental breakfasts, and Thursday luncheon presentation, along with countless networking opportunities throughout the event.

Comprehensive Course Materials: Access course materials in Your Briefcase approximately 48 hours before the live event, and enjoy unlimited access to the final, complete course materials – downloadable PDFs of papers and slides.

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