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THURSDAY MORNING, NOV. 8, 2007

Presiding Officer:

Harry L. Tindall, Houston, TX

8:00 a.m. Registration Opens

Includes continental breakfast.

8:50 a.m. Welcoming Remarks

9:00 a.m. .75 hr

Am I in the Right Place? Jurisdiction in the Suit Affecting Parent-Child Relationship

In today's highly mobile society, the jurisdictional complexities of the UCCJEA, UIFSA, and the Uniform Parentage Act are more important than ever. Explore how to decide if jurisdiction is proper and what to do when it is not.

Sallee S. Smyth, Houston, TX

9:45 a.m. .50 hr

Who Are All of These People? 3rd Party Standing and Intervenor

The *Troxel* case has spawned lots of litigation and statutory amendments, and yet we are still faced with grandparents, aunts, uncles, and neighbors as parties in cases. Find out how to keep them in and get them out of the courtroom. It has been seven years since the landmark *Troxel* decision, and shockwaves are still being felt in ways never imagined.

K. Nicole Voyles, Dallas, TX
Author: Brian L. Webb, Dallas, TX

10:15 a.m. Break

10:30 a.m. .50 hr including .25 hr ethics

The World of Court Appointees: Amicus Attorneys, Attorney Ad Litem, Guardian Ad Litem, and Social Studies

The role of the court appointed amicus attorneys, attorney ad litem, and guardian ad litem is becoming more and more authoritative in custody cases. Figuring out how to deal with these persons, as well as the social study, is critical to an effective representation of one's client.

Reginald A. Hirsch, Houston, TX
Joseph Indelicato Jr., Houston, TX

11:00 a.m. .50 hr

Will the Real Parents Please Stand Up?

In an age of presumed parents, acknowledged parents, and adjudicated parents, identifying who the parents really are, beyond DNA testing, has never been more complicated.

Angela G. Pence England, Houston, TX

11:30 a.m. .50 hr

Facing the Diagnosis: Dealing with Mental Health Issues

Determining when a parent's mental health diagnosis impacts their parenting, and how this can be a sticky minefield of issues regarding parenting time, rights, and duties.

Honey A. Sheff, Dallas, TX

THURSDAY AFTERNOON

Presiding Officer:

Bruce Bain, Tyler, TX

LUNCHEON PRESENTATION

12:00 p.m. Pick Up Box Lunch

Included in conference registration fee.

12:15 p.m. .50 hr

The Changing Face of Texas

Texas is the crossroad of North America. What will Texas look like in the next 20 years? Getting a better understanding of the amazing cultural diversity in our state will be discussed by the Office of the State Demographer. A luncheon presentation not to be missed!

Karl Eschbach, San Antonio, TX

1:00 p.m. .75 hr

Parenting Across Borders: International Issues in the Parent-Child Relationship

Parenting crosses many international borders, creating issues with immigration, enforcement, and finding parents and children in foreign countries.

Adair Dyer Jr., Austin, TX

1:45 p.m. .75 hr including .25 ethics

Evidence in an Electronic Age

Just how do you get those text messages or MySpace pages into evidence? How to make the old rules work with new technological advances.

Hon. Scott Beauchamp, Dallas, TX

2:30 p.m. .50 hr

Navigating the Attorney General System

This session will provide an understanding of the legal mandates and operations of the child support agency, and whether you represent the custodial or non-custodial parent, prepare you to work with the agency for the benefit of your client.

Alicia Key, Austin, TX

3:00 p.m. Break

3:15 p.m. .50 hr

Identifying Parental Interests in Parent-Child Relationships

Identifying and defining what your client really wants regarding the parent-child relationship will lead to a maximized return in negotiating, presenting, and drafting your parenting plans.

Kristen A. Algert, Austin, TX

3:45 p.m. .50 hr including .25 hr ethics

Today's ADR: It's not Just Mediation Any Longer

With such a success rate for the resolution of cases in mediation, other means of ADR are being further developed and utilized, including arbitration, private judges, and collaborative law.

Speaker TBD

4:15 p.m. 1.00 hr

Presenting Your Temporary Order to the Court

With limited time, and the playing field being established for the rest of the case, temporary order hearings are of paramount importance and down right difficult. Learn how to effectively and efficiently present your client's child-related issues to set up an easier case resolution.

Moderator Hon. Roy L. Moore, Houston, TX
Bruce Bain, Tyler, TX
Patricia N. Carter, Houston, TX

5:15 p.m. Adjourn

FRIDAY MORNING, NOV. 9, 2007

Presiding Officer:

Jana L. Wickham, Dallas, TX

8:45 a.m. .50 hr

Navigating the CPS System

The world of the CPS docket can be a maze of new faces, as well as new administrative procedures. Be prepared to navigate the system no matter which side you are on.

Jack W. Marr, Victoria, TX

9:15 a.m. .75 hr

Show Me the Money: Financial Resources of Children

The days of simple UTMA's and TUGMA's are long gone. Today, parents are establishing section 529 accounts, special needs trusts, and health savings accounts to deal with children's financial needs.

Charlie Gerhardt, Houston, TX
Harry L. Tindall, Houston, TX

10:00 a.m. .50 hr

Busting the Guidelines: Presenting the Case for Above-Guideline Child Support

With the increased costs of children's activities, including extracurricular activities, sports, and private schools, sometimes the guidelines for child support don't apply. Or, should they?

Aubrey M. Connatser, Dallas, TX
Co-Author: Ramsey L. Burke, Dallas, TX

10:30 a.m. Break

10:45 a.m. .50 hr including .25 hr ethics

The Chemically Dependent Client

Creating parenting plans to protect the children and address the needs of chemically dependent or alcoholic clients requires an underlying understanding of the issues related to the abuse.

William B. Connolly, Houston, TX

11:15 a.m. .50 hr

Relocation, Relocation, Relocation!

The increased mobility of parents, and a client's initial statement of "I have no reason to move out of town," provide creative lawyers the opportunity to craft unique resolutions or force tough modifications in parenting plans. Learn the best ideas on how to allow, as well as prevent, a move of the child.

Michael Jarrett, Tyler, TX

11:45 a.m. .50 hr

Getting What You Got: Enforcement of the Parenting Plan

Issues of enforcement cross civil and criminal responsibilities. Making sure your clients reap the parenting plan they were awarded can be tricky.

Jacqueline Smith, Houston, TX

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Clients I Wish I'd Never Met, or Cases I Wish I'd Declined

We all have experiences with clients we wish we had declined. This witty but important discussion includes

tips based upon practical experience for listening to that little bell that goes off in our heads!

Janet Brumley, Dallas, TX

1:15 p.m. .75 hr

Parental Alienation and Estrangement: How Do We Deal With the Aftermath?

What do we, as lawyers, do when the children won't talk to one of their parents?

Jeffrey C. Siegel, Ph.D., Forensic and Clinical Psychology, Dallas, TX

2:00 p.m. .75 hr

Parental Rights and Duties Outside the Family Code

Not every parental decision falls within those included in the Family Code. What happens when

one parent's house rules conflict with the other's; whether it be about prescription drugs, ADHD, surgery, religion, tattoos, piercings, Internet usage or cell phones? In the case of a tie, who really wins?

Jana L. Wickham, Dallas, TX

2:45 p.m. .50 hr

Dealing with the Death of a Parent

Recent legislation is supposed to help us deal with child support and the death of the obligor. Does it?

Georganna L. Simpson, Dallas, TX

3:15 p.m. Adjourn

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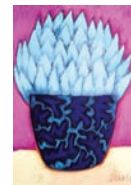
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