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THURSDAY MORNING, JAN. 28, 2010

Presiding Officer:
Sallee S. Smyth, Richmond, TX

8:00 a.m. Registration Opens

Includes continental breakfast.

8:50 a.m. Welcoming Remarks

9:00 a.m. 1.00 hr

Same Time, Same Place, Same Sex: Stay Tuned

A discussion of same sex parenting issues involving standing, assisted reproduction, and adoption from both the legal and the psychological perspective.

Joan Anderson, Houston, TX
Ellen A. Yarrell, Houston, TX

10:00 a.m. .50 hr

Relocation in the Age of Technology

A look at technology and bonding across the miles, including drafting orders which foster the long distance parent-child relationship, and suggestions to mitigate the psychological effects of distance.

Martin D. Carden, Richmond, TX

10:30 a.m. Break

10:45 a.m. .50 hr

Kids with Medical Issues/Special Needs

Issues of "special needs" children need special attention. This presentation offers tips for managing medicine between disagreeing parents with creative solutions; provides strategies for litigating the right to consent to medical, surgical, and psychiatric treatment; asks "what is invasive medical?"; and considers insured and uninsured medical issues including enforcement.

Patricia N. Carter, Houston, TX

11:15 a.m. .50 hr

Dealing with Ethnic and Religious Issues in a SAPCR

The impact of different cultural and religious customs and influences on a SAPCR proceeding; can we separate church and state when kids are involved?

Laura D. Dale, Houston, TX

THURSDAY AFTERNOON

Presiding Officer:
Stephen J. Naylor, Fort Worth, TX

LUNCHEON PRESENTATION

11:45 a.m. Pick up Box Lunch

Included in conference registration fee.

12:00 p.m. 1.00 hr

Enforcement Demonstration: Effective Enforcement Litigation

A live demonstration of the technically precise way to prosecute and defend an enforcement action from start to finish.

Moderator:
Hon. Meca Latreice Walker, Houston, TX
Panelists:
Joseph Indelicato Jr., Houston, TX
Daniel Jake Lemkuil, Houston, TX

1:00 p.m. Break

1:15 p.m. .50 hr

Navigating through CPS: Concerns to Anticipate

What does it mean when you, as the attorney, find out that Child Protective Services is involved in your case? This session helps the family law practitioner understand the various aspects and complications of dealing with CPS.

Lon Michael Loveless, Dallas, TX

1:45 p.m. .50 hr

Being an Effective Amicus/Ad Litem/Guardian Ad Litem

What really makes an effective advocate and how can or should we all take these appointments more seriously? Do ethics matter when your client is a child?

Jolyn Colburn Wilkins, Lubbock, TX

2:15 p.m. .75 hr

Caution! Acronyms Ahead: Traveling on the Interstate Case Highway

Interstate custody and child support cases have roadblocks lurking around every curve. Chart your course with UCCJEA, UIFSA, and PKPA (along with a few others) road maps. Also included, a pre-trip checklist for evaluation and preparation of an interstate case.

Karen L. Marvel, San Antonio, TX
John Christopher Nickelson, Fort Worth, TX

3:00 p.m. Break

3:15 p.m. .50 hr

The Extended Family: Rights and Duties of Nonparents

How, when, where, and why nonparents such as grandparents, step-parents, aunts, uncles, and siblings have rights under the Family Code and the new Authorization Agreement for nonparent relatives.

Barbara D. Nunneley, Hurst, TX

3:45 p.m. .50 hr

Special Evidentiary Issues

Social networking and electronic evidence: how to get info in or keep it out.

Richard L. Robertson, Plano, TX

4:15 p.m. 1.00 hr

Life after the Child Preference: Where Do We Go from Here?

Perspectives on the new legislation from a panel of experts. In reality, is anything really that different?

JoAl Cannon Sheridan, Austin, TX
Stephen J. Naylor, Fort Worth, TX
Hon. Dean Rucker, Midland, TX

5:15 p.m. Adjourn

FRIDAY MORNING, JAN. 29, 2010

Presiding Officer:
Sallee S. Smyth, Richmond, TX

Substance Abuse Fact Pattern

Revolving around a specific fact pattern involving substance abuse, Friday morning speakers discuss a variety of topics involved in these very difficult cases.

8:45 a.m. .75 hr

Extreme Client Makeover

Whether you just add a little make-up or completely rework your client's physical and emotional presentation, what can or should you get away with when putting the client's best foot forward?

Cynthia J. Barela-Graham, Amarillo, TX
Kevin Karlson, Frisco, TX

9:30 a.m. .50 hr ethics

Ethical Tightrope: Advocate, Informant, Filter or Rehabilitator

Sometimes there's no way around it... you are on the wrong side of the facts. How do you effectively

represent your client while remaining conscientious about what is best for the child? And when should you concede your client's ability to effectively function without third party control?

James E. Monnig, San Antonio, TX

10:00 a.m. .50 hr

Discovery and Evidentiary Issues in Substance Abuse Scenarios

A look at the resources available and the limitations imposed when you are trying to expose or defend against a substance abuse allegation.

Heather Leah King, Southlake, TX

10:30 a.m. Break

10:45 a.m. .50 hr

ADR is NOT a 4-Letter Word! Hot Tips for Successful Litigation Alternatives

More cases settle in mediation than go to trial. Are you and your clients prepared? Hot tips and thoughtful discussion about how you can be better prepared for a winning resolution of your case.

Charles Emmerich Hardy, San Antonio, TX

11:15 a.m. .75 hr

The 2 Steps to the 12 Steps: How to Determine if a Parent is a Druggie, a Drunk, or Just Dry

This presentation addresses strategies for representing either side on a potential substance abuse case including appropriate screenings, necessary evaluations, optional evaluations, and how to protect the child.

Christy Bradshaw Schmidt, LPC, Dallas, TX

Diana S. Friedman, Dallas, TX

Jim Turnage, Dallas, TX

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Cynthia J. Barela-Graham, Amarillo, TX

LUNCHEON PRESENTATION

12:00 p.m. Pick up Box Lunch

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12:15 p.m. 1.00 hr

Creative Solutions in Substance Abuse Cases: Drafting Enforceable Orders for Ongoing Monitoring/Visitation

An examination of ways to ensure that you have enforceable yet livable orders for both parents and children in substance abuse situations.

Moderator:

Harry L. Tindall, Houston, TX

Panelists:

William B. Connolly, Houston, TX

Hon. Bonnie Hellums, Houston, TX

Honey A. Sheff, Dallas, TX

1:15 p.m. Break

1:30 p.m. .50 hr

Creative Solutions for Unique Visitation Issues

Creating a possession order for a child under 3? Dealing with difficult visitation scenarios for long distance visits, parents who do shift work, and children who are home schooled? This presentation offers viable solutions.

Larry L. Martin, Addison, TX

2:00 p.m. .50 hr

Hidden Child Support Resources

There is more to child support than a salary check. Explore the sources to elevate "net resources."

Patricia A. Wicoff, Houston, TX

2:30 p.m. .50 hr ethics

Mitigating the Reality of an Unfavorable Jurist

Sometimes you just know the judge will not be on your side. If recusal is not a serious option how can you try to make the best out of a bad situation?

Janet P. Brumley, Dallas, TX

3:00 p.m. Adjourn

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January 28 – 29, 2010

CONFERENCE LOCATION



InterContinental Stephen F. Austin
701 Congress Avenue
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512-457-8800

Special Room Rate: \$169
good through 5 p.m. on January 6, 2010
(subject to availability)

Parking:

Valet \$14/day (subject to change)
Self-parking is available in nearby
lots and garages

KEY DATES

January 20, 2010, 5 p.m.

last day for early registration

add \$50 for registrations received after this time

January 22, 2010, 5 p.m.

last day for full refund

January 25, 2010, 5 p.m.

last day for partial refunds

\$50 processing fee applied

January 28, 2010, 9 a.m.

conference begins

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