UT LAW CLE Continuing Legal Education

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Answer Bar: Taking Your Car Crash Case to Trial

Session 1 0.75 hr	**Trial Preparation 101** Stressed in trial prep and at trial? Inevitable? Yes. Manageable? Absolutely. Learn tips and strategies from an experienced plaintiff and defense attorney for developing a case and preparing for trial. **Brian L. Mincher,** Burress Law PLLC - McKinney, TX **Manpreet Kaur Singh,** Fanaff, Hoagland, Gonzales & Baldwin - Houston, TX
Session 2 0.75 hr | 0.25 Ethics	**Discovery: Beyond Bullet Points** A discussion about the discoverability and admissibility of medical records, medical bills, and related data that focuses on the increasing role of “reasonableness” in the determination of what is discoverable and admissible and the added complexity and expense this adds to the litigation process. **Paul N. Gold,** Aversano & Gold - Houston, TX
Session 3 0.75 hr	**Discovery: Best Practices and A View from the Bench** Practical advice for how to conduct effective, ethical and efficient discovery. **Shelly Tomlin Greco,** Dallas, TX **Hon. Daryl L. Moore,** Ahmad Zavitsanos & Mensing PLLC - Houston, TX
Session 4 0.75 hr	**Overcoming “Bad Facts” A Plaintiff and Defense Perspective** Tips and tricks to deal with low property damage, pre-existing conditions, gaps in treatment, lack of medical bills, DWI, criminal clients, and more at trial. **Stephanie Baenisch,** Dallas, TX **John Martinez,** Nationwide Mutual Insurance Company - San Antonio, TX
Session 5 0.75 hr	**Seatbelts and Police Opinions: Two Outcome Determinative Issues** Evidence about seatbelts and the investigating officer’s opinions has the potential to be outcome-determinative in a car crash case. What evidence should come before the jury, and what should be kept out? **Quentin Brogdon,** Crain Brogdon LLP - Dallas, TX
Session 6 0.50 hr	**Medical Bills in Car Crash Cases** Whether you’re an experienced trial lawyer or tackling your first car crash case, proving and challenging medical expenses can be daunting. Break down the nuts and bolts of this critical damages element, as well as more advanced strategies and recent case law impacting this ever-evolving area of the law. **Morgan A. McPheeters,** McPheeters Law, PLLC - Dallas, TX
Session 7 0.75 hr	**Trying Cases Without Medical Bills**

	Texas law has made it difficult to try cases with our medical bills. That burden creates an avenue to trying cases without them and opening doors to greater potential verdicts. **C. Robert Dorsett Jr.,** Dorsett Johnson, LLP - Austin, TX **L. Todd Kelly,** The Carlson Law Firm - Austin, TX
Session 8 0.75 hr	**Jury Selection: What, Why, and How?** What information are you truly trying to obtain during voir dire, why do you need that information for your specific case, and how are you asking questions to get it? Intentional strategies to help plan your approach to jury selection and execute it. **Jim M. Perdue Jr.,** Perdue & Kidd - Houston, TX
Session 9 0.50 hr	**Storytelling and Themes** How to use stories and themes from voir dire through rebuttal to expose the defense's use of psychology in trial. This presentation includes real-world, trial-tested stories and story techniques that have been successfully used all over the country in red, blue, and purple counties for car wreck verdicts big and (relatively) small. **Charles Bennett,** Bennett Injury Law - Dallas, TX
Session 10 0.50 hr	**Proving Up Future Damages** Including medical and lost wages. **John D. Plumlee,** Attorney at Law - Austin, TX
Session 11 0.75 hr	**Developing a Winning Strategy** Discuss the fail-safe tricks to ensure you have a winning strategy at depositions. **Shane Read,** U.S. Attorney's Office, Northern District of Texas - Dallas, TX
Session 12 0.50 hr	**Overcoming the Problem Witness** How to handle the difficult witness, yours or theirs. **Paula Fisette Sweeney,** Slack Davis Sanger LLP - Dallas, TX
Session 13 0.75 hr	**Beating the Expert** Find out how to take an expert's deposition—how to avoid being intimidated and how to set realistic, attainable goals when you depose the "expert." **Quentin Brogdon,** Crain Brogdon Rogers, LLP - Dallas, TX
Session 14 0.50 hr	**Developing Your Trial Cross Through the Adverse Deposition?** Learn to take admission-seeking depositions of adverse witnesses so that they are effectively limited in their testimony at trial. **Tracy Walters McCormack,** The University of Texas School of Law - Austin, TX
Session 15 0.50 hr	**Preparing Your Witness for Deposition** Witnesses win cases—and lose them. Learn how to keep your witness from giving it all up in a deposition and how to use the deposition to help prepare your witness to be a winner at trial.

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