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## Wednesday Afternoon, Oct. 23, 2013

## **Presiding Officer:**

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| 12:30 pm                   | Registration Opens  |
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| 1:20 pm                    | Welcoming Remarks   |
| 1:30 pm<br>1.00 hr         | United States Immigration Laws: An Overview  A discussion of the interplay of unlawful presence, out of status, nonimmigrant, immigrant and citizenship status for foreign nationals, their employers and their families.  Paul Parsons, Paul Parsons, PC - Austin, TX  |
| 2:30 pm<br>1.00 hr         | Introduction to Family Immigration Practice  Family reunification has long been the cornerstone of our immigration policy, accounting for two-thirds of all immigration to the U.S. in a given year. A basic overview of the family visa categories, the qualifications for each, and the application procedures which govern family petitions.  M. Elizabeth "Liz" Cedillo-Pereira, Cedillo-Pereira & Cedillo, PLLC - Dallas, TX Vanna Slaughter, Catholic Charities of Dallas, Inc Dallas, TX |
| 3:30 pm                    | Break   |
| 3:45 pm<br>1.00 hr         | Introduction to Removals  How and why respondents are placed in removal proceedings with a summary of the various ways Congress and the courts have devised for avoiding removal.  Hon. Jimmie L. Benton, Gill & Benton - Houston, TX George Rodriguez, Saenz-Rodriguez & Associates, P.C Dallas, TX  |
| 4:45 pm<br>1.25 hrs ethics | Introduction to Managing an Immigration Law Practice and Beginning Ethics  An immigration practice involves much more than filling out forms. The panelists discuss ethical and practical issues that new practitioners should prepare for.  Moderator: Sarah E. Woelk, Casa Marianella Immigration Legal Services - Austin, TX Panelists: William D. Fong, Fong & Associates, L.L.P Houston, TX Kathleen Campbell Walker, Cox Smith Matthews Incorporated - El Paso, TX                        |
| 6:00 pm                    | Adjourn to Reception  |

Join us for a networking opportunity with your fellow immigration law practitioners.