

18TH ANNUAL
Criminal Defense Trial Skills & Trial Law Program
A PROGRAM FOR THE DEFENSE

August 10-12, 2021

at The Center for American and International Law
Plano, Texas

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Tuesday, August 10:

- 8:00 a.m. Pre-Registration Check-In & Screening
(*No walk-in/same day registration available*)
- 9:00 a.m. Welcoming Remarks & Expectations
- 9:15 a.m. Synopsis of the Facts & Developing a Theory of the Case
Russell Wilson, Law Office of Russell Wilson II, Dallas, TX
- 10:00 a.m. Lecture: Voir Dire
Emily Detoto, Law Office of Emily Detoto, Houston, TX
John Hunter Smith, Wynne & Smith Law, LLP, Sherman, TX
- 10:45 a.m. Break (15 Minutes)
- 11:00 a.m. Demonstration: Voir Dire
Emily Detoto, Law Office of Emily Detoto, Houston, TX
John Hunter Smith, Wynne & Smith Law, LLP, Sherman, TX
- 11:45 a.m. Small Group Prep (Voir Dire): "Work In Your Seat"
- 12:00 p.m. Lunch (Provided)
- 1:00 p.m. Small Group Workshop (Voir Dire)
- 2:30 p.m. Break (10 Minutes)
- 2:40 p.m. The Fundamentals of a Powerful Opening Statement
Tom Mills, Tom Mills Criminal Law, PLLC
- 3:25 p.m. Break (5 Minutes)
- 3:30 p.m. Storytelling throughout the Trial
Tyrone Moncriffe, Attorney at Law, Houston, TX
- 4:30 p.m. Demonstration: Opening Statements
Jennifer Earls, J.T. Earls Law, Georgetown, TX
Brad Lollar, Dallas Co. Public Defender's Office, Dallas, TX
- 5:00 p.m. Small Group Prep (Direct): "Work In Your Seat"

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– AGENDA, continued –

5:15 p.m. Recess, followed by Reception

Wednesday, August 11:

9:00 a.m. Ethical Issues in the Practice of Law
Bob Hinton, Robert Hinton & Associates, PC, Dallas, TX

10:00 a.m. Break (5 Minutes)

10:05 a.m. Small Group Workshop (Opening Statements)

11:35 a.m. Break (10 Minutes)

11:45 a.m. Demonstration: Cross Examination
Reagan Wynn, Reagan Wynn Law, PLLC, Fort Worth, TX
Darlina Crowder, The Crowder Law Firm, P.C., Plano, TX

12:30 p.m. Lunch (Provided)

1:30 p.m. Lecture & Demonstration: Direct Examination
Rick Hagen, Jackson & Hagen, Denton, TX

2:30 p.m. Small Group Prep: “Work in Your Seat”

2:45 p.m. Break (5 Minutes)

2:50 p.m. Small Group Workshop (Direct)

4:20 p.m. Break (10 Minutes)

4:30 p.m. Small Group Workshop (Cross), Part 1

5:15 p.m. Recess

Thursday, August 12:

9:00 a.m. Small Group Workshop (Cross), Part 2

10:00 a.m. Break (5 Minutes)

10:05 a.m. Cross Examination: The Tools of the Trade
Sarah Roland, Attorney at Law, Denton, TX

10:50 a.m. Break (10 Minutes)

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- 11:00 a.m. **Lecture: Closing Arguments**
 Cheryl Wattley, UNT Dallas College of Law, Dallas, TX
- 12:00 p.m. Lunch (Provided)
- 1:00 p.m. **Small Group Workshop (Closing)**
 (Time includes Small Group Prep (Cross): "Work In Your Seat")
- 2:45 p.m. Break (10 Minutes)
- 2:55 p.m. **Demonstration: Closing Arguments**
 Andy Beach, The Law Firm of Andy Beach, Dallas, TX
 Messina Madson, Madson | Costello, Dallas, TX
- 3:40 p.m. Break (5 Minutes)
- 3:45 p.m. **Intangibles: The Will of a Criminal Defense Lawyer**
 Bob Jarvis, Jarvis & Hamilton, Sherman, TX
- 4:30 p.m. Adjourn