



Capital & Non-Capital Training FOR THE PROSECUTION

August 17-19, 2022

at The Center for American and International Law, Plano Texas

Agenda as of 7/25/2022

Course Objective: To promote quality representation in prosecutions.

Wednesday, August 17:

- 8:00 a.m. Check-In & Registration
- 9:00 a.m. Welcome & Introductions
- 9:15 a.m. Ethics: Prosecutor's Guide to Understanding & Counteracting Cognitive Bias
Jarvis Parsons, Brazos Co. District Attorney's Office, Bryan, TX
- 10:15 a.m. Pre-Trial Prep & Info Gathering
Jen Falk, Dallas Co. District Attorney's Office, Dallas, TX
- 11:15 a.m. Break
- 11:30 a.m. Effective Use of a Grand Jury in Capital Cases
Sunshine Stanek, Lubbock Co. Criminal District Attorney's Office, Lubbock, TX
- 12:30 p.m. Lunch (Provided)
- 1:15 p.m. Lecture & Demo: Voir Dire in Capital Cases
Jacob Putman, Smith Co. District Attorney, Tyler, TX
- 3:00 p.m. Break
- 3:15 p.m. Officer Use of Force
- **Jason Hermus**, Dallas Co. District Attorney's Office, Dallas, TX (Moderator)
 - **Jason Fine**, Dallas Co. District Attorney's Office, Dallas, TX
 - **Mischeka Nicholson**, Dallas Co. District Attorney's Office, Dallas, TX
- 4:45 p.m. Recess, followed by Reception

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Thursday, August 18:

- 9:00 a.m. Mental Health Matters in Capital and Non-Capital Cases
Lauren Bard, Harris Co. District Attorney's Office, Houston, TX
- 10:00 a.m. Ethics & Forensic Evidence
Kevin Petroff, Galveston Co. District Attorney's Office, Galveston, TX
- 11:00 a.m. Break
- 11:15 a.m. Cross Examination (Capital & Non-Capital Cases)
Brian Baker, Brazos Co. District Attorney's Office, Bryan, TX
- 12:15 p.m. Lunch (Provided)
- 1:00 p.m. Intellectual Disability Claims
Dewey Mitchell, Collin Co. District Attorney's Office, McKinney, TX
Dr. Tim Proctor, Proctor | Price, Dallas, TX
- 2:30 p.m. Break
- 2:45 p.m. Punishment in Capital Cases
Lance Long, Attorney At Law, Houston TX
- 3:45 p.m. Closing Arguments
Bill Wirsky, Collin Co. District Attorney's Office, McKinney, TX
- 4:45 p.m. Recess

Friday, August 19:

- 9:00 a.m. Investigation & Prosecution of Child Homicides
Sunni Mitchell, Fort Bend Co. District Attorney's Office, Richmond, TX
Dr. Kathryn Pinneri, Montgomery County Forensic Services, Conroe, TX
- 10:30 a.m. Break
- 10:45 a.m. Complex Co-Defendant Homicides
Donna Hansen, Montgomery Co. District Attorney's Office, Conroe, TX
Laura Bond, Montgomery Co. District Attorney's Office, Conroe, TX
- 12:15 p.m. Lunch (Provided)

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Friday, August 19, continued:

- 1:00 p.m. Intellectual Disability for Trial Lawyers
Roe Wilson, Attorney At Law, Houston, TX

- 2:00 p.m. Ethics: The Decision to Seek Death
Traci Bennett, Fort Bend Co. District Attorney's Office, Richmond, TX

- 3:00 p.m. Adjourn