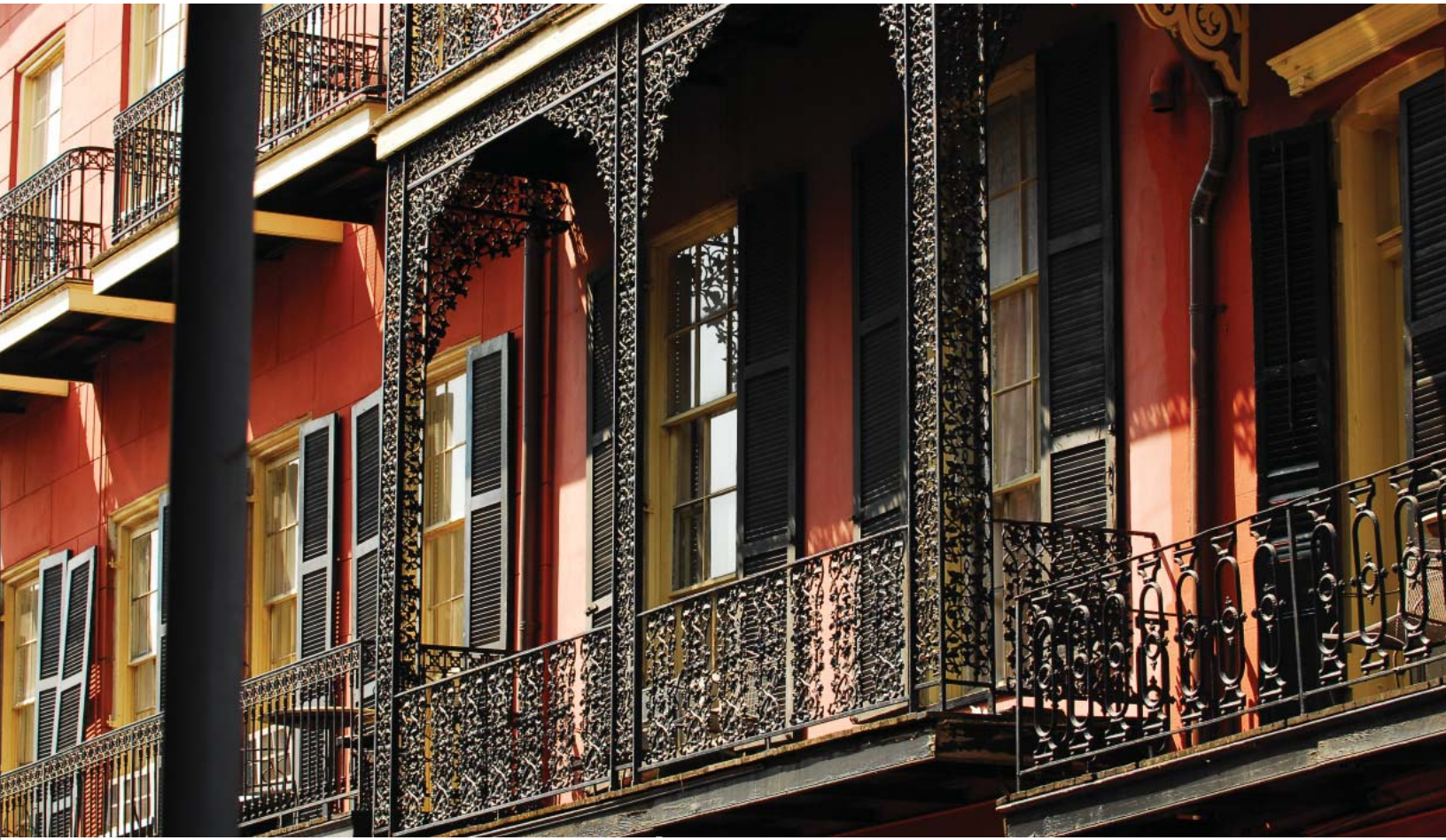




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The Breakout Sessions

Business Bankruptcy (each to be offered three times)

Oil and Gas/Energy Law

Discussion Leaders – *Doug Draper, Rick Kuebel, Rhett Campbell, and Bill Wallander*

Chapter 11 Plan Confirmation Issues (Practical Approaches to “Participation”; How to sell lien property in Chapter 11 confirmations, Texas Grand Prairie case, Claim Preservation)

Discussion Leaders – *Judge Samson, Joe Wielebinski, Clifton Jessup, and Bill Steffes*

Best Practices on the Use of Experts

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Consumer Bankruptcy (each offered once)

Estoppel (Res Judicata, Judicial Estoppel, Rooker Feldman Doctrine, etc.)

Discussion Leaders – *Judge Summerhays, Louis Phillips, Deborah Langehennig, and Byrnie Bass* (Thursday a.m.)

National Chapter 13 Form Plan

Discussion Leaders – *Judge Isgur, Keith Rodriguez, Robert Wilson, Selene Maddox, and Keith Welch* (Thursday p.m.)

Top 10 Recent Cases

Discussion Leaders – *Judge Magner, Judge Rhoades, and Judge Southwick* (Friday a.m.)

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 12

5:30-7:00 p.m. RECEPTION (AND EARLY REGISTRATION) AT THE ROYAL SONESTA

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 13

8:00 REGISTRATION AND NETWORKING CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST

9:00 WELCOMING REMARKS

— Judge Neil Olack, Judge Richard Schmidt, and Judge Robert Summerhays

9:15 PLENARY SESSION – ECONOMIC FORECAST

— Keith R. Phillips

10:15 BREAK

10:30 FIRST BREAKOUT SESSION

12:00 HOSTED LUNCHEON AT THE ROYAL SONESTA

Luncheon Speaker:

— Chief Judge Carl E. Stewart

2:00 PLENARY SESSION – EVIDENTIARY ISSUES

— Judge Pamela Pepper, Kristina M. Johnson, Jan M. Hayden, and Jim F. Spencer

3:00 BREAK

3:15 SECOND BREAKOUT SESSION

4:45 RECESS

5:00-6:00 RECEPTION AT THE ROYAL SONESTA

7:30 OPTIONAL DINNER AT ANTOINE’S RESTAURANT

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 14

8:00 NETWORKING CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST

8:30 PLENARY SESSION – NEW JUDGES PANEL: A VIEW FROM THE BENCH

— Judge Tony M. Davis and Judge Jason D. Woodard, moderated by Judge Harlin D. Hale

9:30 THIRD BREAKOUT SESSION

11:00 BREAK

11:15 PLENARY SESSION – ETHICS

— Judge Douglas D. Dodd, Judge David Jones, Judge Neil Olack, and Henry G. Hobbs, Jr.

12:15 CONCLUDING REMARKS AND ADJOURNMENT

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Registration includes the Conference, course materials, the luncheon and receptions.

Check applicable box:	Received by 1/29/14	Received after 1/29/14
Lawyers (excludes 2/13 dinner)	<input type="checkbox"/> \$395	<input type="checkbox"/> \$445
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- I plan to attend the **Business Breakout Sessions** (select only one breakout type).
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PROGRAM SCHEDULE

There will be separate breakouts for Business and Consumer Lawyers.

The Business Bankruptcy Breakouts will each be offered three times – on Thursday morning, Thursday afternoon and Friday morning. Those who sign up for the Business Bankruptcy track will be divided into three groups. Each of the groups will rotate through the three breakout modules.

There will be three breakout modules for the Consumer Bankruptcy track – one will be presented on Thursday morning, one on Thursday afternoon and one on Friday morning.

ELLIOTT CUP

Experienced Bankruptcy Lawyers Needed To Judge The Elliott Cup Bankruptcy Moot Court Competition

Experienced bankruptcy lawyers are needed as judges for the annual Texas/Fifth Circuit Bankruptcy Moot Court Event for the 2014 Elliott Cup. The event is sponsored by the Bankruptcy Section of the State Bar of Texas, and is named in honor of the late Joseph C. Elliott, U.S. Bankruptcy Judge for the Western District of Texas. The Elliott Cup event includes law schools throughout the Fifth Circuit.

The Elliott Cup will be held in New Orleans, Louisiana immediately following the Bench-Bar Conference, February 14-15. The opening rounds will be held at the U.S. District Court beginning at noon on Friday, February 14, with the competition concluding on February 15 at the Fifth Circuit Courthouse.

Scoring will be based solely on oral argument. Lawyers will be requested to score each competitor and provide constructive input to the teams following each preliminary round. A trophy will be awarded to the first, second and third place teams, as well as awards for the best oral advocates.

Participating lawyers are invited to the Team Dinner, where awards will be presented (Saturday night, February 15) and a Welcoming Cocktail Reception (Friday night, February 14, from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m.).

If you are willing to serve as a judge for the 2014 Elliott Cup, please provide your name, phone number, and email address to the Elliott Cup Chairperson:

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