

# 2017 West Texas Seminar

## A Joint Seminar with the TADC & NMDLA



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August 11-12, 2017 ~ Inn of the Mountain Gods ~ Ruidoso, NM

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### PROGRAM AND REGISTRATION

Approved for 6.0 Hours CLE, including 1.5 hours ethics

Program Co-Chairs: **Leonard R. (Bud) Grossman**, Craig, Terrill, Hale & Grantham, L.L.P., Lubbock,  
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#### Friday, August 11, 2017 (All times Mountain Time)

6:00-8:00pm Opening Reception

#### Saturday, August 12, 2017

7:00am-9:00am Buffet Breakfast

7:30am Welcome & Introductions  
**Mike Hendryx**, TADC President  
Strong Pipkin Bissell & Ledyard, L.L.P., Houston  
**Leonard R. (Bud) Grossman**, Craig, Terrill,  
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7:45-8:15am APPLICATION OF DRONES  
**Leonard R. (Bud) Grossman**, Craig, Terrill,  
Hale & Grantham, L.L.P., Lubbock

8:15-8:45am LEGAL MALPRACTICE (*ethics*)  
**Tom Ganucheau**, Beck|Redden LLP, Houston

8:45-9:45am TX 18.001 COUNTER-AFFIDAVITS ISSUES  
**Mike H. Bassett**, The Bassett Firm, Dallas  
**Mike Hendryx**, Strong Pipkin Bissell &  
Ledyard, L.L.P., Houston

9:45-10:15am MY EXPERIENCE AS A FEDERAL JUROR,  
TIPS FOR THE TRIAL LAWYER FROM THE  
JURY ROOM  
**Darryl S. Vereen**, Mounce, Green, Myers, Safi,  
Paxson & Galatzan, P.C., El Paso

10:15-10:30am B R E A K

10:30-11:30am LITIGATING LIKE A HOMETOWNER: AN  
OVERVIEW OF NM & TX  
**Deena Buchanan, Michael Dean & Dan  
Hernandez**, Ray, McChristian & Jeans, P.C.,  
Albuquerque, Fort Worth, El Paso  
**William R. Anderson**, Law Offices of Daniel G.  
Acosta, Las Cruces

11:30-12:00pm THE INTERSECTION OF CIVILITY &  
ETHICS (*ethics*)  
**The Honorable Stephan M. Vidmar**, U.S.  
Magistrate Judge, Las Cruces

12:00-12:30pm PERFECTING THE RECORD IN TEXAS  
**Brandy Manning**, Long-Weaver, Manning,  
Antus & Antus LLP, Midland

12:30-1:00pm EXAMINATION OF WITNESSES – TX/NM  
CONTRASTED  
**Pat Long-Weaver**, Long-Weaver, Manning,  
Antus & Antus LLP, Midland

1:00-1:30pm AN UPDATE ON THE NEW MEXICO  
WHISTLEBLOWER ACT  
**Cody R. Rogers**, Miller Stratvert, P.C.,  
Las Cruces

1:30-2:00pm A VIEW FROM THE BENCH – WHAT  
WORKS AND WHAT DOESN'T (*ethics*)  
**The Honorable Roy B. Ferguson**, 394th  
District Court of Texas

2:00pm ADJOURN TO ENJOY RUIDOSO

#### Sunday, August 13, 2017

7:00-9:00am Buffet Breakfast

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DEADLINE FOR HOTEL RESERVATIONS IS  
July 10, 2017

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Pricing & Registration Options

Registration fees include Friday & Saturday group activities, including the Friday Evening welcome reception, Saturday & Sunday breakfasts, CLE Program and related expenses. This program will be approved for both Texas and New Mexico Continuing Legal Education.

Registration for Member Only (1 person) \$150.00  
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