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2025 WINTER SEMINAR REGISTRATION

STEAMBOAT SPRINGS
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April 23-27, 2025
2025 TADC Spring Meeting
The Historic Brown Hotel, Louisville, Kentucky



July 16-20, 2025
2025 TADC Summer Meeting
The Grand Hyatt, Vail, Colorado



September 17-21, 2025
2025 TADC Annual Meeting
Hotel Emma, San Antonio, Texas

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Calendar of Events



JANUARY 29 - FEBRUARY 2, 2025
STEAMBOAT GRAND HOTEL & SPA

TADC 2025 WINTER SEMINAR

January 29-February 2, 2025

Steamboat Grand Hotel & Spa – Steamboat Springs, CO

Program Co-Chairs: Darin Brooks, Gray Reed & McGraw LLP, Houston
Sean Swords, Chamberlain McHaney, Austin

CLE Approved for: 11 hours including 2.25 hours ethics

Wednesday, January 29, 2025

6:00 – 8:00pm TADC Welcome Reception

Thursday, January 30, 2025

6:45-9:00am Buffet Breakfast

7:15-7:30am Welcome & Announcements
Mike Shipman, TADC President
Fletcher, Farley, Shipman & Salinas, LLP, Dallas
Darin Brooks, Gray Reed & McGraw LLP,
Houston, Program Co-Chair
Sean Swords, Chamberlain McHaney, Austin,
Program Co-Chair

7:30-8:15am PROTECTING PRIVILEGED DOCUMENTS AND
COMMUNICATIONS FROM RAIDERS (.25 ethics)
Jim Hunter, Royston, Rayzor, Vickery & Williams,
L.L.P., Brownsville

8:15-8:45am PREMISES LIABILITY UPDATE:
SLIPPING & SLIDING
Victor Vicinaiz, Roerig, Oliveira & Fisher, L.L.P.,
McAllen

8:45-9:30am EMPLOYMENT LAW UPDATE
Michael Kelsheimer, Gray Reed & McGraw,
Dallas

9:30-10:15am I PLEAD THE FIFTH: ENCOUNTERING THE
5TH AMENDMENT IN CIVIL LITIGATION
(.25 ethics)
Mike Bassett, The Bassett Firm, Dallas

10:15-11:00am A DEFENSIVE APPROACH TO THE
CORPORATE REP DEPOSITION (.25 ethics)
Jeff Saenz, McCoy, Leavitt, Leskey LLC, San
Antonio

Friday, January 31, 2025

6:45-9:00am Buffet Breakfast

7:15-7:30am Welcome & Announcements
Mike Shipman, TADC President
Darin Brooks, Program Co-Chair
Sean Swords, Program Co-Chair

7:30-8:15am MORE CLAIMS THAN COVERAGE? SETTLING
COMPETING STOWERS DEMANDS UNDER
SORIANO (.25 hrs ethics)
Brian Waters & Darin Brooks, Gray Reed
McGraw LLP, Houston

8:15-9:00am PROFESSIONALISM IN THE LAW
(.75 hrs ethics)

David Chamberlain, Chamberlain McHaney,
Austin

9:00-9:30am CONSTRUCTION LAW UPDATE
Doug Rees, Cooper & Sculley, P.C., Dallas

9:30-10:15am PRODUCTS LIABILITY: THE YEAR IN REVIEW
Cathy Kyle, Chamberlain McHaney, Austin

10:15-11:00am A LITTLE ETHICS, A LITTLE EVIDENCE AND A
LITTLE PROCEDURE-ROUND 2 (.25 ethics)
Christy Amuny, Germer PLLC, Beaumont

Saturday, February 1, 2025

6:45-9:00am Buffet Breakfast

7:15-7:30am Welcome & Announcements
Mike Shipman, TADC President
Darin Brooks, Program Co-Chair
Sean Swords, Program Co-Chair

7:30-8:15am DEFENDING COMMERCIAL TRUCKING
CLAIMS: NEGLIGENT HIRING AND
TRAINING
Dan Hernandez, Ray, Pena McChristian, P.C.,
El Paso

8:15-9:15am THE FIFTEENTH COURT OF APPEALS –
WHAT TO KNOW AND HOW IT'S GOING SO FAR
(.25 ethics)
Justice April Farris, Fifteenth Court of Appeals,
Austin

9:15-9:45am HOW YOUR EXPERT ASSISTS AT TRIAL
Carol Chavez, AEI Corporation, Denver, CO

9:45-10:30am RISK TRANSFER AND RESPONSIBLE THIRD
PARTIES
Brandon Coony, Espey & Associates, P.C.,
San Antonio

10:30-11:15am ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE – IMPACT ON
COURTROOM TECHNOLOGY
Robert Booth, Mills Shirley L.L.P., Galveston

Sunday, February 2, 2025

Depart for Texas

2025 TADC Winter Seminar

January 29-February 2, 2025 | Steamboat Grand | Steamboat Springs, CO

2300 Mt. Werner Circle - Steamboat Springs, CO 80487

Pricing & Registration Options

Registration fees include Wednesday evening through Saturday group activities, including the Wednesday evening welcome reception, all breakfasts, CLE Program each day and related expenses and hospitality room.

Registration for Member Only (one person) \$695.00
Registration for Member & Spouse/Guest (2 people) \$895.00

Children's Registration

Registration fee for children includes Wednesday evening welcome reception, Thursday, Friday & Saturday breakfast
Children Age 12 and Older \$120.00 Children under 6 – no charge
Children Age 6-11 \$80.00

Spouse/Guest CLE Credit

If your spouse/guest is also an attorney and would like to attend the Winter Seminar for CLE credit, there is an additional charge to cover meeting materials, and coffee breaks.

Spouse/Guest CLE credit for Winter Meeting \$75.00

Hotel Reservation Information

For hotel reservations, CONTACT THE STEAMBOAT GRAND DIRECTLY AT 877-269-2628 and reference the TADC Winter Seminar. The TADC has secured a block of rooms at an EXTREMELY reasonable rate. It is IMPORTANT that you make your reservations as soon as possible as the room block will fill quickly. Any room requests after the deadline date, or after the room block is filled, will be on a wait list basis.

DEADLINE FOR HOTEL RESERVATIONS IS DECEMBER 20, 2024

TADC Refund Policy Information

Registration Fees will be refunded ONLY if a written cancellation notice is received at least SEVEN (7) BUSINESS DAYS PRIOR (JANUARY 20, 2025) to the meeting date. A \$100.00 ADMINISTRATIVE FEE will be deducted from any refund. Any cancellation made after January 20, 2025 IS NON-REFUNDABLE.

2025 TADC WINTER SEMINAR REGISTRATION FORM

January 29 - February 2, 2025

For Hotel Reservations, contact the Elevation Resort DIRECTLY at 877-269-2628 OR [Passkey Reservation Link](#)

CHECK ALL APPLICABLE BOXES TO CALCULATE YOUR REGISTRATION FEE:

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|------------------------------------|----------------------------------|---|---------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> \$ 695.00 | Member ONLY (One Person) | <input type="checkbox"/> \$ 120.00 | Children 12 & Older _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> \$ 895.00 | Member & Spouse/Guest (2 people) | <input type="checkbox"/> \$ 80.00 | Children 6-11 _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> \$ 75.00 | Spouse/Guest CLE Credit | <input type="checkbox"/> No charge for children under 6 | |
- (no charge) CLE for a State OTHER than Texas - a certificate of attendance will be sent to you following the meeting

TOTAL Registration Fee Enclosed \$ _____

NAME: _____ FOR NAME TAG: _____

FIRM: _____ OFFICE PHONE: _____

ADDRESS: _____ CITY: _____ ZIP: _____

SPOUSE/GUEST (IF ATTENDING) FOR NAME TAG: _____

Check if your spouse/guest is a TADC member

CHILDREN'S NAME TAGS: _____

EMAIL ADDRESS: _____ BAR CARD# _____

In order to ensure that we have adequate materials available for all registrants, it is suggested that meeting registrations be submitted to TADC by December 20, 2024. This coincides with the deadline set by the hotel for accommodations.

PAYMENT METHOD:

A CHECK in the amount of \$ _____ is enclosed with this form.

MAKE PAYABLE & MAIL THIS FORM TO: TADC, P.O. Box 92468, Austin, TX 78709 OR register online at www.tadc.org

CHARGE TO: (circle one) Visa Mastercard American Express

Card Number _____ Expiration Date _____
Cardholder Name (please print) _____ Signature _____ (as it appears on card)

(For TADC Office Use Only)

Date Received _____ Payment-Check# _____ (F or I) Amount _____ ID# _____

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