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Program Co-Chairs: Michele Smith, Mehaffy Weber, P.C., Beaumont & Tom Ganucheau, Beck Redden, Houston
CLE Approved for: 11.00 hours, including 2.00 hours ethics

Wednesday, September 17, 2025

6pm – 8pm	TADC Welcome Reception
Thursday, September 18, 2025	
7:00-9:00am	Buffet Breakfast
7:45-8:00am	Welcome & Announcements Mike Shipman , TADC President Fletcher, Farley, Shipman & Salinas, LLP, Dallas Michele Smith , Mehaffy Weber, P.C., Beaumont Tom Ganucheau , Beck Redden, Houston
8:00-8:45am	<i>VOIR DIRE: THE MOST IMPORTANT PART OF YOUR CASE</i> Thomas C. Riney , Underwood Law Firm, PC, Amarillo Fred D. Raschke , Mills Shirley LLP, Galveston
8:45-9:30am	<i>NON-ECONOMIC DAMAGES AFTER GREGORY</i> Mike Bassett , The Bassett Firm, Dallas Jim Perdue , Perdue & Kidd, L.L.P., Houston
9:30 -10:15am	<i>WHAT MAKES AN EFFECTIVE ADVOCATE</i> Justice Mike Wallach , Second Court of Appeals, Fort Worth Justice Patricia Alvarez , Alvarez Dispute Resolution, Helotes
10:15-10:30am	<i>B R E A K</i>
10:30-11:15am	<i>MEDIATION AND ARBITRATION: IS THERE A BETTER WAY THAN A TRIAL?(.25 ethics)</i> Judge Patricia Kerrigan , Patricia J. Kerrigan, P.C., Houston Greg Curry , Holland & Knight LLP, Dallas
11:15-11:45am	<i>A PICTURE IS WORTH A THOUSAND WORDS: THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN MRI FINDINGS AND INTERVENTIONAL PROCEDURES</i> Dr. Raimy Amasha , Capital Pain Institute, Austin
11:45-1:30pm	LUNCHEON PANEL : <i>THINGS I WISH I HAD TOLD A YOUNGER ME (.25 ethics)</i> Keith B. O’Connell , Mehaffy Weber, P.C., San Antonio Fred D. Raschke , Mills Shirley LLP, Galveston Russell B. Serafin , Webster Vicknair McLeod, Houston Pamela Madere , Jackson Walker, P.C, Austin
1:30-2:15pm	<i>TRIAL PREP: FINALLY GETTING TO TRIAL AND PREPARING IN THE LAST 30-60 DAYS (.25 ethics)</i> Stacey Garcia , Garcia Law Practice PLLC, Sugar Land
2:15-3:00pm	<i>BUSINESS COURTS ONE YEAR LATER AND ALL THE CHANGES</i> Mary Kate Rafetto , Beck Redden, Houston

Thursday Afternoon free to enjoy San Antonio!

Friday, September 19 2025

7:00-9:00am	Buffet Breakfast
7:45-8:00am	Welcome & Announcements Mike Shipman , TADC President Fletcher, Farley, Shipman & Salinas, LLP, Dallas Michele Smith , Mehaffy Weber, P.C., Beaumont Tom Ganucheau , Beck Redden, Houston
8:00-8:45am	<i>THE CARE AND FEEDING OF IN HOUSE COUNSEL/ CLIENT (.25 ethics)</i> James R. Old, Jr. , General Counsel, Zachry Industrial, San Antonio Mike Hendryx , Giron Kirby Law Group, Houston Clayton Devin , Macdonald Devin Madden Kenefick & Harris, P.C., Dallas
8:45-9:30am	<i>ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE AND THE FUTURE OF THE PRACTICE OF LAW (.25 ethics)</i> Sean Griffin , Longman & Van Gruck LLC, Washington D.C.
9:30-10:30am	<i>MANAGING STRESS EMAIL AND CLIENT EXPECTATIONS (.50 ethics)</i> Slater C. Elza , Underwood Law Firm, Amarillo Christy Amuny , Germer PLLC, Beaumont Gayla Corley , Mehaffy Weber, P.C. San Antonio
10:30-10:45am	<i>B R E A K</i>
10:45-11:30am	<i>UPDATE FROM THE SUPREME COURT (.25 ethics)</i> Justice Brett Busby , Texas Supreme Court, Austin
11:30-12:00pm	THE LANDSCAPE IN PRODUCTS LIABILITY CASES FOLLOWING WERNER Steve Boskey , Ramon Worthington Nicolas & Cantu PLLC, Austin
12:00-12:45pm	<i>THE 89TH LEGISLATURE: WHAT IS THE OUTLOOK FOR THE PRACTICE OF LAW</i> George S. Christian , The Christian Company, Austin David E. Chamberlain , Chamberlain McHaney, Austin Rich Phillips , Holland & Knight LLP, Dallas Dan K. Worthington , Ramon Worthington Nicolas & Cantu PLLC, McAllen
12:45-12:55pm	TADC Business Meeting

Saturday, September 20, 2025

7:00-9:00am	Buffet Breakfast
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Sunday, September 21, 2025

Annual Meeting Adjourned

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Registration for Member Only (one person)	\$995.00
Registration for Member & Spouse/Guest (2 people)	\$1,400.00

Spouse/Guest CLE Credit

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

Spouse/Guest CLE credit for Annual Meeting	\$75.00
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— DEADLINE FOR HOTEL RESERVATIONS IS AUGUST 25, 2025 —

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TADC 2025 Annual Meeting Hotel Reservation

CHECK ALL APPLICABLE BOXES TO CALCULATE YOUR REGISTRATION FEE:

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☐ \$ **75.00** **Spouse/Guest CLE Credit**
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