

IMPORTANT INFORMATION - PLEASE READ BEFORE THE CONFERENCE!

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<u>Thank you</u> for registering for the 25th annual Dallas Bar Association Bench Bar Conference at the Horseshoe Bay Resort. Click here for the <u>agenda</u>. You will find the <u>list of attendees here</u>. The conference is limited to lawyers and judges only. We ask that non-lawyer spouses and guests not attend this conference.

The following details should help you plan for the Conference this week.

HOW TO GET THERE

Transportation - Driving

If you are driving, please refer to the <u>directions</u>. You will find concise, written directions from Dallas. You should allow for 4 hours. If you have any difficulties or need to contact the hotel, please call (830)-598-8600.

Transportation – Flying

If you are flying, you should fly into Austin's Bergstrom International Airport. The resort is approximately 60 miles from the airport and takes 1-1½ hours to get to the resort. Driving directions from the airport are enclosed. Please note that flights are limited and please allow for time to pick up your rental car. Thursday Lunch begins at 11:30 a.m. in the Granite Ballroom where our general session takes place. Meetings immediately follow at 12:30 p.m. Please plan accordingly.

Address

Horseshoe Bay Resort 200 Hi Circle North Horseshoe Bay, Texas 78657

WHAT TO WEAR

Meetings are very casual - jeans, slacks, shorts – whatever you prefer. Please pack something "Texas Casual" for the Thursday night dinner (think boots). This covers dresses, jeans, slacks or shorts with an optional Western or Southwestern flair.

Hotel Check-In

Your room should be ready, but if it is not, the hotel will check your bags until it is.

Conference Check-in

Registration begins at 10:00 a.m. on Thursday. After you have checked in with the resort, proceed toward the Granite Ballroom to the conference registration desk. There you will receive your name badge, t-shirt, bag and registrant packet. Your packet will contain an updated agenda, drink and meal tickets where needed and other conference materials.

If for any reason you find at the last minute that you will not be able to attend the conference, please call the front desk at (830)-598-8600 and leave a message for Rhonda Thornton. We do not offer refunds this late, but you may send a substitution.

Lunch will be served from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. in the Granite Ballroom where our program begins at Noon.

TRIAL LAWYER OF THE YEAR AWARD RECEPTION AND DINNER

We are delighted to present the prestigious Trial Lawyer of the Year Award to Randy Johnston of Johnston Tobey Baruch, P.C. Please join us Thursday evening for a reception in his honor at 6:00 p.m. on the Whitewater Patio. The award dinner will immediately follow at 7:00 p.m.

MCLE

The conference has been approved for 7.0 hours of CLE credit including 1.00 hours of ethics. All presentations of the conference share one course number. PLEASE COMPLETE **ONLY ONE** CLE CARD FOR THE ENTIRE CONFERENCE. Be sure to include your total hours for all sessions you attended.

"GOLDEN RULES"

The purpose of this conference is for lawyers and judges to have FUN and to LEARN from each other. Each year we welcome many first-time conference goers. To help make this conference remarkable for you and for other attendees, please review the conference "golden rules":

- 1. Please make an effort to make new friends and to help others feel at home. It is a great time for encouraging others in a positive way.
- 2. Please exchange information in a professional and friendly manner.
- 3. Please make certain that your questions and responses are thoughtful and likely to be of interest to others.
- 4. Please, no campaign buttons, etc.
- 5. Please do not discuss specific cases that you are now handling or have handled.

We look forward to an excellent conference and are glad you will join us!

Thank you and I look forward to seeing you this week!

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