



2018 NORTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS  
**BENCH BAR CONFERENCE**

**January 12, 2018**

**Four Seasons Resort and Club**  
4150 North MacArthur Boulevard  
Irving, Texas 75038

**MCLE Credit: 7 hours**  
**(including 2 hours of ethics)**  
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## AGENDA

- 8:00-9:00 a.m. REGISTRATION**
- 9:00-10:00 a.m. JUDICIAL ADVOCACY PANEL**  
*Do This, Not That: Stories from the Trenches*  
Circuit Judge Catharina Haynes  
District Judge Sam A. Lindsay  
Senior District Judge Terry R. Means  
Magistrate Judge Irma C. Ramirez
- 10:00-10:45 a.m. APPELLATE PRACTICE PANEL**  
*Effective Use of Technology at Trial and on Appeal*  
Circuit Judge Stephen A. Higginson  
Mark Trachteberg, Haynes and Boone, LLP  
Victor Vital, Barnes & Thornburg  
Keith Slyter, Litigation Paralegals, LLC
- 10:45-11:45 a.m. CIVILITY & ETHICS PANEL**  
*30th Anniversary of the Dondi Opinion*  
District Judge Sydney A. Fitzwater  
Jeff Kaplan (Ret. Magistrate Judge), JAMS-Dallas  
Paul Coggins, Locke Lord
- 11:45 a.m.-12:00 p.m. BREAK**
- 12:00-1:00 p.m. KEYNOTE ADDRESS (1 hour MCLE Ethics Credit)**  
Chief Circuit Chief Judge Carl E. Stewart
- 1:00-1:45 p.m. LITIGATING IN THE ELECTRONIC WORLD**  
*Litigating in the Electronic World - Common Mistakes*  
Magistrate Judge David L. Horan  
Magistrate Judge Kimberly C. Priest Johnson  
Josh Bennett, Carter Scholer
- 1:45-2:45 p.m. WOMEN IN THE LAW PANEL**  
*Women in the Law*  
Chief District Judge Barbara M.G. Lynn  
Chief Bankruptcy Judge Barbara J. Houser  
Magistrate Judge Lee Ann Reno  
Tamara Hines, Jones Day  
Charla Aldous, AldousWalker LLP
- 2:45-3:00 p.m. BREAK**



3:00-3:55 p.m.

## BREAKOUT SESSIONS

### BANKRUPTCY BREAKOUT

*Selected Bankruptcy Cases from the Roberts Court That Affect Bankruptcy and Non-Bankruptcy Lawyers*

Bankruptcy Judge Harlin Hale  
Bankruptcy Judge Robert L. Jones  
Bankruptcy Judge Mark X. Mullin  
Bankruptcy Judge Stacey G.C. Jernigan  
Robert Albergotti, Hayes and Boone, LLP

### IP BREAKOUT

*The Initial Effects of TC Heartland*

District Judge David C. Godbey  
District Judge Ed Kinkeade  
District Judge Lee Yeakel  
John H. McDowell, Jr., Andrews Kurth Kenyon

### CRIMINAL BREAKOUT

Magistrate Judge E. Scott Frost  
Lara Wynn, Assistant Federal Public Defender  
E.X. Martin, Law Offices of E.X. Martin  
David Adler, Law Office of David B. Adler

### CIVIL BREAKOUT

*Magistrates, Myths, Misconceptions, and Missed Opportunities: How U.S. Magistrate Judges Can Help With Your Civil Cases*

District Judge Jane J. Boyle  
Magistrate Judge Renée H. Toliver  
Magistrate Judge Christine A. Nowak  
Jennifer Ecklund, Thompson & Knight LLP  
Shane Read, Assistant U.S. Attorney

3:55-4:05 p.m.

### BREAK

4:05-4:40 p.m.

### BEST PRACTICES FOR MANAGING COMPLICATED OR HIGH PROFILE CASES

District Judge Rodney Gilstrap  
District Judge Amos Mazzant  
Magistrate Judge Hal R. Ray, Jr.  
Rebecca Rutherford, Law Clerk to Chief District Judge Barbara M.G. Lynn

4:40-4:45 p.m.

### CLOSING REMARKS

4:45-6:30 p.m.

### RECEPTION SPONSORED BY THE TEXAS LAWBOOK (Lantana South)

*One complimentary drink coupon will be provided to each attendee. Light refreshments will be provided.*

