



**TCWLA'S A DAY IN FEDERAL COURT CLE**

**DATE:** Friday, May 12, 2023

**TIME:** 9:00 am – 4:30 pm. Check-in and breakfast will be from 8:00 am to 8:45 am.

The CLE will be from 9:00 am – 4:30 pm.

**LOCATION:** Federal Courthouse, 501 West Fifth Street, Austin, First Floor Jury Assembly Room.

**PARKING:** Paid street and garage parking is available in the vicinity of the courthouse.

**PRICE:** \$185 (for both members and non-members); \$125 for government employees.

To register, visit <http://www.tcwla.org/events>

**CLE CREDIT:** This course will be approved for Minimum Continuing Legal Education credit by the State Bar of Texas Committee on MCLE in the amount of 6.5 credit hours, of which 1.0 credit hour will apply to legal ethics/professional responsibility credit.

Please direct questions to the following:

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**Schedule**

**8:00-8:45**      **Check-in and Light Breakfast**

**8:45-9:00**      **Openings, Greetings, and Order of the Day**

**9:00-9:30**      **Role of the Magistrate Judge's Office – 0.5**

The Honorable Susan Hightower, *U.S. Magistrate Judge – Western District of Texas, Austin Division*

**9:30-10:00**      **Bankruptcy – 0.5**

Amy Wilburn, *Lincoln-Goldfinch Law*

**10:00-10:45**      **Criminal Overview & Sentencing – 0.75**

Amber Vazquez, *Vazquez Law Firm, PLLC*

**10:45-11:00**      Break

**11:00-11:30**      **Clerk's Office Resources – 0.5**

Laura Thomson, *Courtroom Deputy the Honorable Dustin Howell*

**11:30-12:00**      **Advice from a Clerk – 0.5**

Katie Jeffress, *Clerk to the Honorable Lee Yeakel*

**12:00-12:30** Lunch/Break

**12:30-1:30** **Judges' Discussion on Decorum and Ethics – 1.0**

The Honorable Lee Yeakel, *U.S. District Judge – Western District of Texas, Austin Division*

The Honorable Robert Pitman, *U.S. District Judge – Western District of Texas, Austin Division*

The Honorable Dustin Howell, *U.S. Magistrate Judge – Western District of Texas, Austin Division*

**1:30-2:15** **Local Rules and Pleadings – 0.75**

Leah Buratti, *Botkin Chiarello Calaf*

**2:15-2:45** **Discovery and E-discovery – 0.5**

Amy Emerson, *Allensworth*

**2:45-3:00** Break

**3:00-3:30** **Pre-trial Matters and Injunctive Relief – 0.5**

Eric Vinson, *Little Mendelson P.C.*

**3:30-4:00** **Trial Practice – 0.5**

Sarah Nicolas, *Ramon Worthington Nicolas & Cantu, P.L.L.C.*

**4:00-4:30** **Post-trial Practice – 0.5**

Melissa Lorber, *Enoch Kever, PLLC*

**4:30** **Closing Remarks**