

Practice Before the Texas Supreme Court

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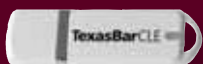
- Some Trenchant Questions About Supreme Court Jurisdiction
- Six Really Important Recent Supreme Court Cases
- Constructing Petitioner's Brief
- Respondent's Strategies in the Supreme Court
- How to Convince the Supreme Court to Overturn Adverse Precedent

Faculty Includes:

- Four sitting Texas Supreme Court Justices and a recently-retired Texas Supreme Court Justice
- The Clerk of the Texas Supreme Court and two Texas Supreme Court staff attorneys
- The two top attorneys in the 2011 *Super Lawyers* survey
- Other respected appellate practitioners

COURSE BENEFITS INCLUDE:

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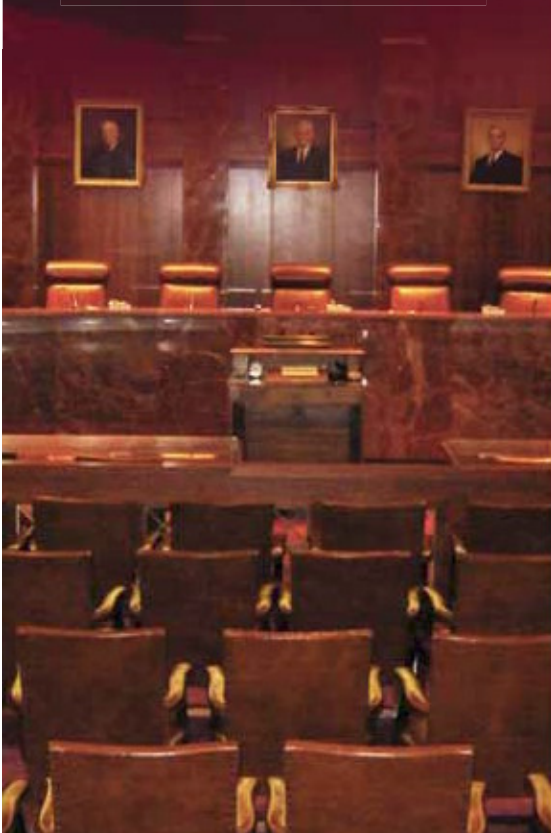
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Applies to the College of the State Bar of Texas and to the Texas Board of Legal Specialization in Civil Appellate Law and Civil Trial Law.

Friday 6.75 hours

8:00 **Registration and Continental Breakfast**

8:45 **Welcoming Remarks
Course Director**
Richard R. Orsinger, *San Antonio*
McCurley, Orsinger, McCurley,
Nelson & Downing

9:00 **Supreme Court Clerk's Office
and Court Procedure** .5 hr
Hon. Blake A. Hawthorne, *Austin*
Clerk, Supreme Court of Texas

9:30 **Some Trenchant Questions
About Supreme Court
Jurisdiction** .42 hr
Douglas W. Alexander, *Austin*
Alexander Dubose & Townsend

9:55 **Six Really Important Recent
Supreme Court Decisions** .5 hr
Nina Cortell, *Dallas*
Haynes and Boone

10:25 **Break**

10:40 **Granted and Pending Cases You
Should Know About** .5 hr
Pamela Stanton Baron, *Austin*
Attorney at Law

11:10 **Improving Your Chances That
Briefs Will Be Requested** .42 hr
Hon. Eva Guzman, *Austin*
Justice, Supreme Court of Texas

11:35 **Constructing Petitioner's Brief**
.5 hr
Warren W. Harris, *Houston*
Bracewell & Giuliani

12:05 **Break – lunch provided**

12:25 **Luncheon Presentation:
Electronic Resources for
Supreme Court Practice** .42 hr
Don Cruse, *Austin*
Law Office of Don Cruse

12:50 **Luncheon Presentation: How
to Stimulate Interest With Your
Legal Writing** .42 hr
Chad Baruch, *Dallas*
Assistant Principal
Yavneh Academy of Dallas
Law Office of Chad Baruch

1:15 **Break**

1:30 **Respondent's Strategies in the
Supreme Court** .5 hr
Hon. Scott A. Brister, *Austin*
Justice, Supreme Court of Texas (ret.)
Andrews & Kurth

2:00 **How to Convince the Supreme
Court to Overturn Adverse
Precedent** .42 hr
Hon. David E. Keltner, *Fort Worth*
Kelly Hart & Hallman

2:25 **The Roles of Staff Attorneys in
the Review and Drafting Process**
.42 hr
Heather Jones Holmes, *Austin*
Staff Attorney
Supreme Court of Texas

2:50 **Original Proceedings and
Emergency Relief: Process and
Procedures** .42 hr
Jennifer "Jen" Cafferty, *Austin*
Staff Attorney
Supreme Court of Texas

3:15 **Break**

3:30 **Persuasive Persuasive
Techniques** .42 hr
Hon. Don R. Willett, *Austin*
Justice, Supreme Court of Texas

3:55 **When and Why Do Per Curiam
Opinions Occur?** .33 hr
Hon. Debra H. Lehrmann, *Austin*
Justice, Supreme Court of Texas

4:15 **Pointers Based on 22 Years of
Being in the Process** .5 hr
Hon. Nathan L. Hecht, *Austin*
Justice, Supreme Court of Texas

4:45 **Adjourn**

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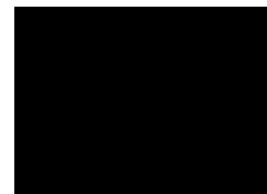
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