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Judges to Convene in Austin for Criminal Justice Conference

The 24th Annual Criminal Justice Conference will be held May 19-21, 1993, at the Doubletree Hotel in Austin, Texas. The conference, sponsored by the Texas Center for the Judiciary, Inc. in cooperation with the Court of Criminal Appeals, will offer attending judges up to nine hours of continuing judicial education.

The conference, under the direction of the Honorable Bill M. White, Judge of the Court of Criminal Appeals, will feature the Honorable Charles E. Moylan, Jr., of Baltimore, Maryland. Judge Moylan is a well-respected jurist, lecturer, and author. Many of you have heard Judge Moylan at previous conferences and are aware of his dynamic style.

He lectures throughout the country on various topics of criminal/constitutional law. The focus of his day-long presentation in Austin will be "Recent Impact Decisions of the U.S. Supreme Court, Search and Seizure, and Confessions."

Other presentations will include updates on the recent Court of Criminal Appeals decisions by Presiding Judge

McCormick, criminal law matters pending in the 73rd Legislature by Tom Krampitz of Austin, sentencing issues by Judge Larry Gist of Beaumont, and gang activity by Judge Sharen Wilson of Fort Worth.

The deadline to register for the conference is April 30. If you have any questions, please contact the Texas Center for more information.

SCHEDULE

Wednesday, May 19 4:00 p.m.- Registration 6:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m. Reception 7:00 p.m. Dinner Tuesday, May 20 8:30 a.m.- Recent Impact Decisions of 4:30 p.m. the U. S. Supreme Court, Search and Seizure, and Confessions Hop. Charles E. Maylon, I.

Hon. Charles E. Moylan, Jr. Judge, Court of Special Appeals Baltimore, MD

Friday, May 21 8:30 a.m.- Go

8:30 a.m.- Gang Activity
9:15 a.m. Hon. Sharen Wilson

Judge, Criminal District Court #1
Fort Worth

Friday, continued

9:15 a.m.- Sentencing
10:00 a.m. Hon. Larry J. Gist
Judge, Criminal District Court
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10:15 a.m.- Criminal Law Legislation
Tom Krampitz, Esq.
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11:00 a.m.- Recent Decisions of the
12:00 Noon Court of Criminal Appeals
Hon. Michael J. McCormick
Presiding Judge, Court of

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Conference Adjourns

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Texas Center and Judicial Section Honor Outgoing Officers

Outgoing Chair Justice Linda B. Thomas presided over the Texas Center and Judicial Section Annual business meetings in El Paso, September 24, 1992, during which the outgoing officers were presented with plaques for their service to the Judiciary. Honored for their service on the Executive Committee of the Judicial Section of the State Bar of Texas were Judge David L. Hodges of Waco and Judge Guy E. Jones of Texarkana. Honored for their service on the Boad of Directors of the Texas Center for the Judiciary, Inc., were Justice Jack Hightower of Austin, Judge Robert D. Jones of Austin and Judge James Edward Klager of Corpus Christi.



Judge Weldon Kirk, then Vice-Chair of the Section and Center, presented a plaque to Justice Thomas honoring her year of service as the Chair.

Please remember to mark your calendars. The 1993 Judicial Section Annual Conference will be held September 21-24 at the Hyatt Regency Hotel in Houston, Texas.

Texas College of Advanced Judicial Studies Held In Austin March 7-10, 1993

When 540 judges from across the state registered for the first Texas College of Advanced Judicial Studies, the 103-member faculty from across the United States knew they had their work cut out for them--and they performed admirably.

This was the largest educational endeavor ever sponsored by the Texas Center, featuring 11 different courses running simultaneously in four different hotels in downtown Austin during a legislative session, and from all indications it was a resounding success. The College was under the direction of Dean Michael E. Keasler, Judge of the 292nd District

Court in Dallas, and was held this year in lieu of the five spring regional conferences which the Texas Center normally sponsors. Present plans call for the return to regional conferences in the spring of 1994.

Participating as Course Directors for the College were Judges Glen M. Ashworth, John T. Boyd, Don R. Emerson, James M. Farris, Cynthia Stevens Kent, V. Sue Koenig, Lamar McCorkle, Scott D. Moore, Bea Ann Smith, and Suzanne Stovall, and Former Justice Richard N. Countiss. The Course Directors were responsible for selecting course topics, content, and speakers.



Judges work on homework assignments as a part of the Judicial Writing course. The Texas Court Reporters Association provided adminstrative support for the course. Pictured (l-r): Justice Alfonso Chapa, 4th Court of Appeals, San Antonio; Judge Pete Perez, 372nd District Court, Fort Worth; Judy Miller, Vice-President, Texas Court Reporters Association; Justice Jack Brookshire, 9th Court of Appeals, Beaumont; Judy Werlinger, Past-President, Texas Court Reporters Association; and Judge Marion M. Lewis, 135th District Court, Victoria.

Survey of Out-of-State Judicial Education Programs

All judges who have attended judicial education programs outside of Texas in the recent past are urged to write the Texas Center to let us know where you went, what the program was like, and whether you thought the curriculum was something that would be beneficial to the judges in Texas.

New ideas, new programs, and new ways to present them will keep us in the forefront of judicial education. PLEASE LET US HEAR FROM YOU.

Ethics Opinions

NO. 145

Political Activity of Judge's Staff Issued November 17, 1992

Q. Should a judge permit members of the judge's office staff to participate in political activities such as publicly supporting a candidate for election, acting as a campaign manager, and fund raising?

A. No. Canon 7(3) provides that a judge shall not authorize the public use of the judge's name to endorse another candidate for any public office. The reasons for that rule are stated in the first paragraph of the answer in Opinion 130. Canon 3B(2) provides that a judge should require the judge's staff, as well as other court officials subject to the judge's direction and control, to observe the standards of the Code.

The Committee concludes that such political activity by a member of a judge's office staff would imply, or would be likely to give the appearance of, the judge's support for the candidate.

RELATED OUESTIONS:

The inquiring judge also asks whether a judge should permit a staff member to contribute money to a candidate. The Committee concludes that to permit such a contribution would be appropriate only under the circumstances that would allow the judge to contribute, that is, when the judge is satisfied that neither the contribution nor the public record thereof will receive public attention before the election.

The inquiring judge also mentions the uncertain nature of a "judge's direction and control" over a county employee on the judge's office or court staff. The Committee does not reach the issue of how that direction and control should be exercised, because it involves questions of law and because it arises in so many different situations and circumstances that it cannot be addressed in general terms.

Therefore, this opinion is limited to

the conclusion that for a judge to permit or to condone such political activity by a staff member would be inconsistent with the ethical standards of the Code of Judicial Conduct.

NO. 146

Extrajudicial Recommendations to Board of Pardons and Paroles Issued November 17, 1992

Q: Should a judge who has no professional connection with a criminal case make a recommendation to the Board of Pardons and Paroles concerning parole of the defendant?

A: No. Canon 2B provides that a judge should not use or permit the use of judicial prestige for the benefit of the judge or others. The Committee concludes that if the judge has no professional connection to the case, such a recommendation by a judge would be, or at least would give the appearance of being, an attempt to use judicial prestige for the benefit of another. This would be true even if the judge has some personal basis for the recommendation, because there is no realistic way to separate the prestige of the judge's office from the judge's personal affairs. Compare Opinion 73.

NO. 147

Participation in Plan to Encourage Jurors to Donate Jury Pay Issued November 17, 1992

Q: Should a judge participate in a plan to advise jurors that they may make a voluntary donation of their jury pay to a "Children's Protective Services Fund?"

A: No. Canon 5B(2) provides that a judge shall not solicit funds for any educational, religious, charitable, fraternal, political, or civic organization. Canon 4C

provides that a judge should not personally participate in public fund raising activities for an organization devoted to the improvement of the law, the legal system, or the administration of justice. Opinions 10, 58, 131, and 137 (Question 4) construe this Canon 4C provision.

There is another consideration if the court on which the judge serves has jurisdiction in cases involving the protection of children. Canon 2A provides that a judge should promote public confidence in the impartiality of the judiciary. The Committee concludes that a judge's participation in raising money for the protection of children would create the appearance of partiality in cases involving accusations of abuse of, or failure to protect, children. (Compare Opinion 126).

The Committee concludes that a judge should not participate in advising jurors that they may donate their jury pay to any cause.

NO. 148

Service on Both County Juvenile Board and Texas Juvenile Probation Commission Issued November 17, 1992

FACTS ASSUMED: A district judge is the judge of a court designated as a juvenile court and serves on the County Juvenile Board, which has the statutory duty and authority to employ juvenile probation department staff members, designate the titles of employees, and set their salaries. The same judge also serves on the Texas Juvenile Probation Commission, which has the statutory duty and authority to allocate and distribute to juvenile boards the funds appropriated by the Legislature and to give technical assistance and training to juvenile boards and juvenile probation departments. A pertinent statute provides that two members of the Commission shall be district judges who are judges of juvenile courts.

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Silicone Breast Implant Litigation

Efforts are underway to increase coordination and exchange of information among judges handling silicone breast implant litigation. Please send copies of any orders or discovery plans for multiple breast implant cases to:

Hon. Ann Cochran Judge, 270th District Court 301 Fannin Houston, TX 77002

Harris County has established a computer bulletin board for the full text of orders and deposition schedules in its master silicone breast implant file. The bulletin board is reached by modem at (713) 755-6709.

State Bar Meeting to be Held in Fort Worth

"Lawyers United to Serve" is the theme of this year's State Bar of Texas Annual Meeting which will be held June 16-19, 1993, in Fort Worth. The conference will offer continuing legal education credit hours for attending lawyers and judges.

This year the State Bar has instituted a new "menu-style" pricing structure. This new structure should enable you to sign up for only those courses which are of specific interest to you. You can sign up for as many division meetings as you would like, purchase tickets to priced events and view the exhibit hall. Three all-day major CLE seminars on Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday are priced individually as are breakfasts, lunches, and parties. The State Bar hopes that this new pricing structure offers an affordable way to attend the annual meeting.

For more information on the Annual Meeting, see the April issue of the *Texas Bar Journal*, or telephone the State Bar at (512) 463-1517.

Ethics Opinions

Q: When acting as a member of the Commission should the judge vote on questions which affect funding for the juvenile probation department supervised by the Juvenile Board on which the judge serves and on questions concerning funding formula and guidelines that apply to all juvenile boards?

A: Yes. Canon 3B(1) provides that a judge should diligently discharge all administrative responsibilities. The statutory arrangement manifests a legislative intent to coordinate the Commission's work with that of local juvenile boards, as well as a legislative assumption that the arrangement itself does not create a conflict of interest.

However, this Committee observes that there may be circumstances under which such a judge may decide that it would be appropriate in order to avoid the appearance of partiality for the judge to abstain from voting on a specific matter that would have an apparent and substantially greater impact on the judge's own probation department than on other departments generally.

NO. 149

Service As Justice of the Peace in One County and As Reserve Deputy Sheriff in Another Issued November 17, 1992

Q: Should a Justice of the Peace serve as a Reserve Deputy Sheriff in another County.

A: No. The Committee concludes that service by a Justice of the Peace as a law enforcement officer would be inconsistent with the provisions of Canons 1 and 2 concerning the impartiality and independence of the judiciary.

New Judges College Held in Huntsville

In December, the Texas Center provided "college training" to 41 new judges from across the state. This week-long course held in Huntsville each year offers new judges up to 30 hours of continuing legal education, and specifically provides courses helpful to those judges new to the bench.

The course format combined lectures with group breakout sessions and covered various topics such as ethics for judges, working with the media, philosophy and the decision making process, the administrative duties of judges, docket management, effective trial management, and issues in family violence cases.

The new judges also

toured the Ellis II and
Wynne Units of the Institutional Division of
the Texas Department
of Criminal Justice.

The college faculty, under the direction of Justice Linda B. Thomas of the 5th Court of Appeals in Dallas, is composed of trial and appellate judges from across the state.



New judges attend a general session at the College.

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The Substance Abuse Felony Program Offers A New View From the Bench

Editor's Note:

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Time and again we see previously convicted offenders back before the bench for new offenses and probation revocations. No matter what offenses they are charged with, experience tells us that the real basis for their criminal behavior is substance abuse. If the offender could stay away from drugs and alcohol, he or she might have a chance in life. The criminal justice system has not had the resources needed to get to the core of addiction problem. Now, thanks to the Governor and the 72nd Legislature, the opportunity to change that scenario is afforded. HB 93 established the Substance Abuse Felony Program (SAFP). Briefly, SAFP provides long-term substance abuse treatment in special prison facilities for non-violent felony offenders if there is an indication that drug or alcohol abuse significantly contributed to the current offense. Indeterminate sentences of not less than 6 months, nor more than 12 months, can be imposed followed by a period of confinement in the institutional division which is either probated or discharged upon release.

Operation of the program is a joint Texas Department of Criminal Justice and Texas Commission on Alcohol and Drug Abuse (TCADA) effort which provides security and treatment for substance abusers. Moreover, the program provides something newcontinued substance abuse treatment in the local community after release. For years, studies have shown that the greater the time spent in treatment, the greater the chance of success. SAFP is on the right course.

TCADA has contracted with experienced providers to operate highly structured treatment programs involving

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extensive individual and group counseling and education. Individual counselors will be assigned to each offender, and personalized treatment plans will be Treatment will focus on developed. reorienting the offender away from substance abuse through intensive counseling, accountability for actions, Alcoholics and Narcotics Anonymous, and educational and vocational programs. Counseling is directed at having offenders examine substance abuse in their lives and identify changes needed for recovery. Strategies to handle the temptation of returning to drugs after release to the community are developed. The program is intense and requires hard work to succeed.

One of the most important and significant features of SAFP is continuing treatment after release from prison. As part of probation, TDCJ will provide special case managers to help the offender re-enter the local community. This will include participation in a community treatment program. The aftercare continues the substance abuse treatment and gives support to help stay drug free.

The Legislature provided 12,000 SAFP treatment beds. In October 1992, the first 500 beds were made available in Jester I in Houston and at Sycamore in Gatesville.

This is a brief overview of SAFP. With this program, sentencing can provide treatment that will enable offenders to break the cycle of substance abuse and crime. The length and intensity of the in-prison treatment plus the continuing aftercare provides the way to overcome drug dependency and the motivation to change life-styles.

SAFP is a program that must succeed so that offenders can be treated and have a chance to lead productive lives--so that crime and drugs can be reduced in our communities, so that our prisons will not be overcrowded, and so that our streets will have fewer criminals. SAFP will attack the root cause of many of our criminal justice problems.

Texas Bar Foundation Honors Judge B.B. Schraub as Outstanding Jurist

Judge B. B. Schraub of Seguin received the 1992 Outstanding Jurist Award from the Texas Bar Foundation. A plaque and a \$1,000 award were presented at the Judicial Section Annual Conference held in El Paso in September.

Judge Schraub, Presiding Judge of the 3rd Administrative Judicial Region, was nominated for the honor by Judge Robert T. Pfeuffer of New Braunfels for his many years of service to the judiciary and the legal community. William O. Whitehurst, Chairman of the Texas Bar Foundation, presented Judge Schraub with the award.

Judge Schraub graduated from St. Mary's University School of Law in 1954.



Pictured with Judge B.B. Schraub is Mrs. Estella Schraub and son Fred.

He served as Municipal Judge in Seguin in 1961, Guadalupe County Judge, and then became Judge of the County Court at Law in Guadalupe County from 1967 until 1971. He served as Judge of the 25th District Court in Seguin from 1971 until 1991. Judge Schraub was appointed Regional Presiding Judge of the 3rd Administrative Judicial Region in 1990 and currently is serving in that capacity.

Judge Schraub continues to be very active in his profession--as a member of the Guadalupe County Bar Association, South Central Texas Bar Association and the American Bar Association. He serves on the faculty of the National Judicial College in Reno, Nevada and recently was appointed to the Board of Directors of the NJC.

In 1980-1981, Judge Schraub was elected and served as Chairman of the Judicial Section of the State Bar of Texas and the Texas Center for the Judiciary Board of Directors. He was a member of the Texas Adult Probation Commission from 1983 until 1990; and Chair of the National Conference of State Trial Judges, Judicial Administration Division.

Judge Schraub gives of his time in local activities as well. He is Past-President of the Seguin Lions Club, and the Seguin and Guadalupe County United Fund. He is a former commissioner of Seguin's Public Housing Authority.

JUDICIAL CALENDAR

Constitutional County Judges Education Course May 4-7, 1993 Lubbock Plaza Hotel, Lubbock

Criminal Justice Conference May 19-21, 1993 Doubletree Hotel, Austin

Trial Court Management Seminar June 21-25, 1993 University Hotel, Huntsville

Judicial Section Annual Conference September 21-24, 1993 Hyatt Regency Hotel, Houston Texas Association for Court Administration Annual Conference October 19-22, 1993 Omni Hotel, Austin

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Will Barber 5th Court of Appeals, Dallas Succeeding Jeff Kaplan

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Judge Henry G. Braswell

Judge Henry G. Braswell of Paris died September 15, 1992. He was 63 vears old. He received a B.A. from the University of Texas in 1950, and his LL.B. from the University of Texas School of Law in 1953. At age 25, he was elected Lamar County Judge and served from 1955 until 1958. Then, he joined the staff of the Attorney General's office in Austin and served there until 1962. Braswell returned to private practice until 1969, at which time he was appointed judge of the 6th District Court, where he served until his death. Judge Braswell served as president of the Lamar County Bar Association, a member of the State Bar Grievance Committee, and as a director of the State Junior Bar. Last year, the Paris Education Foundation honored him for an endowment he established at the Paris Independent School District. He was on the Board of Regents for the Paris Junior College. Judge Braswell served as Chairman of the Lamar County Juvenile Board for 15 years, the Chairman of the Lamar County Child Welfare Board, and the leader of the Democratic Party Executive Committee in Paris.

Judge Donald Carroll

Judge Donald Carroll of Tyler died August 21, 1992. He was 63 years old. He attended Henderson County Junior College, Baylor University and Baylor University School of Law. Carroll was in private practice until 1973, at which time then Governor Doph Briscoe appointed him to the 7th District Court. Judge Carroll served on that bench until 1986 and then returned to his private law practice.

Judge W. C. Davis

Judge W. C. Davis of Austin died April 5, 1993. He was 71 years old. He received his LL.B. frim Baylor University in 1948. He also attended Texas A & M University during the summers of 1941 and 1942. He practiced law for several years, then from 1955 until 1959, he served as Judge of the City of Bryan Municipal Court. In 1958, he was elected County Judge of Brazos County and occupied that office until his appointment to the 85th District Court in 1967. He served as district judge until 1978, at which time he was appointed to the Court of Criminal Appeals in Austin. He served on that court until his retirement in 1990. Judge Davis was a member of the State Bar Committee on Legal Services for the Indigent, Travis County Bar Association, Vice-President of the State Junior Bar, and President of the Brazos County Bar Association. Judge Davis was very active in civic organizations and served on the following boards: Bryan Lions Club, Brazos Valley Development Council, Bryan City Mission, Bryan-College Station Chamber of Commerce, Bryan Junior Chamber of Commerce, Brazos County March of Dimes, Brazos County Savings Bonds, and Allen Academy.

Judge C. E. Long, Jr.

Judge Charles E. Long, Jr., of Dallas died August 18, 1992. He was 81 years old. Long received his B.S. from Washington and Lee University in 1932 and his J.D. from Southern Methodist University in 1935. He served as Assistant City Attorney of Dallas from 1938 until 1942; Counsel to the Judiciary Committee of the U.S. House of Representatives from 1945 until 1946; Civil District Attorney in 1947. In 1950, Long entered private practice with the firm of Touchstone, Long and Bernays. In 1953, he was appointed judge of the 134th District Court in Dallas. He served on that bench until his retirement in 1977.

Judge Charles J. Murray

Judge Charles Joseph Murray of Fort Worth died December 30, 1992. He was 73 years old. He attended Texas Christian University and received his J.D. from Southern Methodist University in 1950. Murray was appointed to the 17th District Court in 1963 and retired from that bench in 1989 after a 26-year tenure. In addition to his district court duties, Judge Murray was appointed Presiding Judge of the 8th Administrative Judicial Region in 1978. The administrative district oversees 54 courts in 16 Texas counties. Judge Murray was the first recipient of the "Outstanding Jurist Award" given by the Texas Bar Foundation. The award was presented to Judge Murray in 1988 at the Judicial Section Annual Conference. retiring from the bench, Judge Murray joined the law firm of Shannon, Gracey, Ratliff & Miller. In 1987, Judge Murray was named outstanding alumnus by SMU's law school. He was past president of the Fort Worth-Tarrant County Bar Association, the Colonial Country Club and was a member of the Fort Worth Petroleum Club.

Judge Truman Roberts

Judge Truman Roberts of Austin died March 16, 1993. He was 76 years old. He attended Baylor University School of Law and received his law degree in 1949. From 1950 until 1956, he served as Hamilton County Attorney; then from 1957 until 1961 he served as District Attorney. In 1961 he was elected Judge of the 52nd District Court. In 1971, Judge Roberts began serving on the Court of Criminal Appeals and served on that court until his retirement in 1982. He continued to serve as a visiting judge until the time of his death. Judge Roberts was Chairman of the Judicial Section of the State Bar of Texas in 1968-69, President of the District and County Attorneys Association, and president of the Baylor Law Alumni Association. In 1973, he was named "Lawyer of the Year" by Baylor University School of Law.

Judge Peter S. Solito

Judge Peter S. Solito of Houston died April 5, 1993. He was 73 years old. continued on page 15

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He attended the University of Texas School of Law and received his LL.B. in 1942. After graduating from law school, he began a civil law practice in Houston. In 1967 Solito was appointed to the Harris County Domestic Relations Court #4 in Houston. He served on that court until 1975 at which time he became Judge of the 208th Criminal District Court. In 1977, Judge Solito was elected to the 164th District Court and served on that court until his retirement. In 1983, his fellow district judges elected him as administrative judge over the civil district courts in Houston. In 1986, Judge Solito served as Chairman of the Judicial Section of the State Bar of Texas and the Texas Center for the Judiciary, Inc. In 1989, the Texas Bar Foundation honored Judge Solito with the "Outstanding Jurist Award" for service to the bench and bar.

Chief Justice Claude C. Williams

Chief Justice Claude C. Williams of Dallas died September 24, 1992. He was 86 years old. He received his J.D. from Baylor University School of Law in 1930, and from 1943 until 1945 served in the Counter-Intelligence Corps of the Army. He began practicing law in McLean, Gray County, and in 1957, Williams was appointed judge of the 160th District Court in Dallas. He was elected to the 5th Court of Appeals in 1959 and served as chief justice of that court from 1970 until 1976. He retired in 1976, but continued to serve as a visiting trial That same year, Williams was iudge. chosen "Lawyer of the Year" by the Baylor University School of Law and received the George Washington Medal from the Freedom Foundation at Valley Forge, Pennsylvania. Chief Justice Williams was a member of the Committee on Public Relations of the State Bar, and chairman of the Committee of American Citizenship of the State Bar. He served on boards and committees for the YMCA, Boy Scouts of America, and the Caruth Rehabilitation Center. He was a trustee on the Baylor University Medical Center, Baylor College of Dentistry, and Scottish Rite Hospital for Children.

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