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Purpose and Scope

This program will provide practitioners with a comprehensive overview of the current legal landscape of LGBTQ+ civil rights in housing, education, employment, healthcare, and public accommodations. With a particular focus on recent legislation and court decisions, attendees will explore key developments in employment law, public accommodations, LGBTQ+ legal rights, reproductive rights law, and child welfare law. Featuring expert insights from legal scholars and practitioners, the program aims to equip participants with knowledge on how recent legal shifts impact business practices, civil rights, and the broader legal landscape.

AGENDA

7.25 hours including 2.5 ethics

8:00 Registration

Coffee & Pastries Provided

8:55 Welcoming Remarks

Course Director

Shelly L. Skeen, *Dallas*
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9:00 The Impact of Recent Supreme Court Decisions, State Laws, and Federal Executive Orders on LGBTQ+ Civil Rights 1.5 hrs (.5 ethics)

Moderator

Hon. Rudy K. Metayer, *Austin*
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Panelists

Elizabeth Sepper, *Austin*
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10:30 Barista Coffee Break Provided by Our Exclusive Partner Sponsor

10:45 The State of Identity Documents for Transgender and Nonbinary People .75 hr (.25 ethics)

Emory Powers, *Houston*
Adams & Reese

11:30 HIV Update: PrEP & Insurance .5 hr (.25 ethics)

Dr. John Carlo, *Dallas*
Prism Health

12:00 Break – Lunch Provided

12:15 Luncheon Presentation: Judges Panel 1 hr (.25 ethics)

Moderator

Hon. Charles A. Spain, *Houston*
Justice, 14th Court of Appeals (Ret.)

Panelists

Hon. Denise Hernandez, *Austin*
Judge, Travis County Court at Law #6

Hon. Aurora Martinez Jones, *Austin*
Judge, 126th District Court

Hon. Jerry Simoneaux, *Houston*
Judge, Harris County Probate Court #1

1:15 LGBTQ+ Legal History Trivia .5 hr

Matias Eduardo Garcia, *Austin*
Barnett & Garcia

Penny Robe, *Richardson*
Robe Law Firm

Shelly L. Skeen, *Dallas*
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Frederick Sultan, IV, *Austin*
Jackson Walker

1:45 Immigration Update .75 hr (.25 ethics)

Maddy Dwertman, *Austin*
Baker Botts

2:30 Networking Break

2:45 What You Need to Know About Parentage, Adoption, and ART Law for Your LGBTQ+ Clients .5 hr (.25 ethics)

Christine Henry Andresen, *Austin*
CHA Law Group

3:15 Legal Issues Facing Families of LGBTQ+ Youth .5 hr (.25 ethics)

Gabriella McDonald, *Austin*
Texas Appleseed

3:45 The State of Same Sex Marriage – What You Need to Know to Protect Your Client's Rights .75 hr (.25 ethics)

Valor McKinney, *Dallas*
Kastle Law

4:30 Estate Planning and Probate for LGBTQ+ Clients .75 hr (.5 ethics)

Elizabeth Brenner, *Austin*
Burns Anderson Jury & Brenner

Penny Robe, *Richardson*
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5:15 Adjourn



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