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***HPA's Advanced CLE
Paralegal Conference
2017***

**Friday, April 21, 2017
Galveston Island Convention Center**

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Hotel Accommodations, Parking and Directions

A block of rooms has been reserved for our event at Hilton Galveston Island Resort, which is adjacent to the Convention Center. The room rate is \$139 on Thursday and Friday night for a double room, **if booked before March 31, 2017**. Hilton Galveston Island Resort **will not** honor these rates after that date. Complimentary Wi-Fi in your room is included. A charge will appear on the room invoice, but it will be credited upon check-out. Complimentary parking is located behind the hotel.

For directions and reservations, please visit www.galvestonhilton.com. The group code is HPA



Welcome to Galveston Island



Mixing business with pleasure is easy on Galveston Island where state-of-the-art meetings facilities are surrounded by a tropical paradise complete with 32 miles of sparkling Gulf Coast beaches, adventure attractions, rich history, unique shopping and culture. Galveston is home to one of the largest collections of well-preserved Victorian architecture in the country and is Texas' premier cruise port. Located just 50 miles south of Houston, this small island possesses all the charm of a historic beach town while offering modern amenities. For more information on Galveston Island contact the Galveston Island Convention & Visitors Bureau at 866-505-4456 or visit www.meetgalveston.com.

Conference Agenda

- 7:30 - 8:30 **Registration** (*Pre-function Area - 1st Floor*)
- 7:30 – 3:30 **Exhibitors Hall Open** (*Pre-function Area - 1st Floor*)
- 8:00 - 10:00 **Continental Breakfast** (*Pre-function Area - 1st Floor*)
- 8:20 – 8:30 **Welcome and Announcements**
- 8:40 – 9:40 **Tactical Civil Procedure – Applying the Texas Rules to Save Your Clients Time and Money**
Frank Carroll, Esq, Roberts Markel Weinberg Butler Hailey PC, Houston, TX.
- 9:40 – 10:00 **Mid-Morning Break** (*Pre-function Area - 1st Floor*)
- 10:40 - 11:00 **Hiding in Plain Sight - Do You Know What's Lurking in the Shadows of Your Legal Documents?**
Mia Breaux Lorick, Esq., Roberts Markel Weinberg Butler Hailey PC, Houston, TX
- 11:00 – Noon **Ethical Issues: When a Firm Has A BYOD (Bring your own device) Policy**
Cassie McGarvey, Esq.
Sanders Willyard LLP
Houston, TX
- 12:00 – 1:15 **Luncheon** (*Pre-function Area - 1st Floor*)
- TRACK 1** **TRACK 2**
- 1:15 – 2:15 **You Lost Me at Gigabyte: Electronic Forensic Protocol & Working with Computer Forensic Examiners**
Kasi Chadwick, Esq.
Boyar Miller,
Houston, TX
- 2:15 – 3:15 **A Guide to Predictive Coding In E-Discovery**
Benjamin L. S. Ritz, Esq.
Staff Attorney, First Court of Appeals
Houston, TX
- 3:15 – 3:30 **Mid-Afternoon Break** (*Pre-function Area - 1st Floor*)
- 3:30 – 4:30 **How to Collect Attorney Fees without Getting Disbarred**
Jessica Z. Barger, Esq., Wright & Close
Marie Jamison, Esq., Wright & Close
Houston, TX
- 4:30 - 5:30 **Bingo Grand Prize Winner Announced and Sunset Social**
- Workplace Changes Under President Trump: What to Expect**
Joseph G. "Chip" Galagaza, Esq.
Jackson Lewis, PC
Houston, TX
- What's New in Bankruptcyland?**
Deanna Lyn Longo, Esq.
Linebarger, Goggan, Blair & Sampson
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- Special Session for Students**
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This advanced full-day conference is taught by attorneys and professionals in the legal industry, is specifically designed for paralegals and other legal professionals, and includes time for your questions. Fees include a continental breakfast, lunch, afternoon snack and course materials. Wi-Fi in the Conference Center is complimentary.

Mail Registration Deadline: April 14, 2017. All registration forms post-marked after April 14, 2017, will incur a \$10 late registration fee.



Registration Form

REGISTRATION DEADLINE Is Friday, April 14, 2017

REGISTRATION FEES:

\$100 for HPA members
\$135 for non-members
\$ 60 for students

EARLY BIRD REGISTRATION: extended to April 14, 2017

\$85 for HPA members
\$120 -for non-members

A late fee of \$10 will be assessed on all forms post-marked after April 14, 2017. Walk-ins the morning of the Seminar will be accepted upon payment of late fees, providing space and materials are available. Your registration fee includes course materials in electronic format (including speaker biographies and hand-outs), continental breakfast, lunch, afternoon snack, and entry to Thursday's Welcome Social and Friday's Sunset Social.

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I plan to attend _____ Thursday's *Island Time* Social
I plan to attend _____ Friday's Sunset Social

TO REGISTER, make your check payable to: **Houston Paralegal Association** and mail a completed registration form and payment to: **Ruth Conley, Andrews Kurth Kenyon LLP, 600 Travis, Suite 4200, Houston, TX 77002**. For questions, contact HPA at **admin@hpatx.us**. Or, pay online via PayPal or by credit card, at www.hpatx.us

CANCELLATION AND REFUND POLICY: Registrants who find that they cannot attend and would like a refund must send their request in writing **before April 17, 2017**. Tuition fee refunds (less \$35 pre-paid luncheon fee) are granted, if received in writing by April 17, 2017. Please email your requests to admin@hpatx.us.



Join us on Thursday at our "Island Time" Welcome Social

When: Thursday, April 20, 2017
Place: Crystal C Ballroom
Hilton Galveston Island Resort
Time: 6:00 pm - 7:30 pm



Meet Our Speakers



Jessica Barger is a partner at Wright & Close. Her litigation practice focuses on insurance defense and coverage, products liability, premises liability, personal injury, and commercial lawsuits in state and federal court. She earned her Juris Doctor at South Texas College of Law - Houston and served as Associate Note & Comment Editor for Law Review and as a Brief Writer for the Varsity Moot Court team.

Frank O. Carroll, III is a trial and appellate attorney at Roberts Markel Weinberg Butler Hailey PC representing individuals and corporations in a variety of legal disputes ranging from catastrophic injury to complex commercial litigation. He completed his undergraduate studies at The University of California at San Diego and earned his Juris Doctor from the University of Houston Law Center. He is the Editor-In-Chief of TexAppBlog.com, an appellate law blog for non-appellate lawyers.

Kasi Chadwick is an associate in the litigation group at Boyer Miller representing clients in complex litigation commercial disputes in both federal and state courts, specializing in business litigation and e-discovery. She completed her undergraduate studies at The University of Texas and earned her Juris Doctor from the University of Houston Law Center, where she was a member of the University of Houston Mock Trial Team. Kasi's written work has been published in the Houston Journal of Health Law and Policy.

Joseph "Chip" Galagaza - is a principal in the Houston office of Jackson Lewis, PC. He. He earned his Juris Doctor from Southern Methodist University and is Board Certified in Labor and Employment Law by the Texas Board of Legal Specialization. He has represented employers in a wide variety of labor and employment law matters before both administrative agencies and in state and federal courts.

Deanna Longo is an associate at the Houston office of Linebarger Goggan Blair & Sampson where she has successfully represented clients in commercial real estate, bankruptcy and litigation. She completed her undergraduate studies at Rice University and earned her Juris Doctor from the University of Houston Law Center. She is a member of the Houston Association of Consumer Bankruptcy Attorneys and has served as a volunteer lecturer and financial management mentor for high school students.

Mia Lorick is an associate at Roberts Markel Weinberg Butler Hailey PC in their is a trial and appellate section. She completed her undergraduate studies at North Carolina School of the Arts and earned her Juris Doctor from the University of Houston Law Center. At law school, she served as a Notes and Comments Editor on the Houston Business and Tax Law Journal and was President of the Black Law Students Association.

Cassie McGarvey is a partner at Sander Willyard LLP. Her current practice is focused on breach of contract and business tort actions; real estate, employment disputes, and energy-related matters, both onshore and offshore. She is interested in the intersection of technology and the law. She speaks on the ethics of technology and preserving confidential information in the digital age..

Benjamin Ritz is a briefing attorney at the First Court of Appeals in Houston, Texas, where he assists judges in the screening of cases and the drafting of opinions and judgments. He completed his undergraduate at Colby College and graduated second in his class from South Texas College of Law-Houston. He is a member of the Sedona Conference and recently published an article entitled: *Will This Dog Hunt?: An Attorney's Guide to Predictive Coding* in the South Texas Law Review.



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