



HNBA 2011 Annual Convention: Forging the Future Together

COMPREHENSIVE AGENDA

August 31, 2011 – September 3, 2011

Wednesday, August 31, 2011

Registration Hours: 3:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Location: Lone Star Foyer

5:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.

Dallas Bar Association reception for HNBA Board of Governors and Dallas Hispanic Bar Association (DHBA) – *By invitation only*

Location:

Belo Mansion & Pavilion
2101 Ross Avenue
Dallas, Texas 75201

6:30 p.m.-8:30 p.m.

Welcome Reception

Location:

Neiman Marcus
1618 Main Street
Dallas, TX 75201

Remarks: The Honorable Thomas E. Perez, Assistant Attorney General for the Civil Rights Division, U.S. Department of Justice

Awards: HNBA Affiliate Organization of the Year and HNBA Regional President of the Year

Thursday, September 1, 2011

Registration Hours: 7:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Location: Lone Star Foyer

Exhibit Hall Hours: 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Location: Lone Star Foyer



8:00 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.

Plenary Breakfast

Location: Lone Star Ballroom

Consumer Protection

Moderator: Robert Estrada, Senior Managing Director, Estrada Hinojosa Investment Bankers

Panel: Hector Balderas, New Mexico State Auditor
The Honorable Edith Ramirez, Commissioner, Federal Trade Commission

Keynote remarks: The Honorable Janet Napolitano, U.S. Secretary of Homeland Security

CLE PROGRAMMING

9:30 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.

Business Track:

Location: Lone Star A1

How the New Federal Health Care Law Will Affect the Business Community

This panel will discuss the legal aspects of the new federal health care legislation and its impact on businesses.

Moderator: Monica P. Navarro, Associate Professor, Thomas M. Cooley Law School

Panel: Nathan Cortez, Assistant Professor of Law, Southern Methodist University Dedman School of Law
Peter D. Ricoy, Special Counsel, Schwabe Williamson & Wyatt
Julian Rivera, Brown McCarroll

Dispute Resolution/Litigation Track:

Location: Lone Star A2

Business Bankruptcy Issues for Non-Bankruptcy Lawyers

This panel will address various basic bankruptcy related topics for the non-bankruptcy lawyer including consideration in anticipation of a bankruptcy filing, the key parties in bankruptcy cases, the automatic stay, the claims allowance process, the plan confirmation process, and the distinctions between adversary proceedings and contested matters.

Moderator: The Honorable Manuel Leal (Ret.), Former U.S. Bankruptcy Judge, S.D. Texas, currently Professor of Law, Thurgood Marshall School of Law at Texas Southern University, Houston, Texas



Panel: **Omar Alaníz**, Baker Botts, LLP, Dallas, Texas
Yolanda Cornejo García, Partner, Weil Gotshal & Manges LLP, Dallas, Texas
Jim LeShaw, Partner, Greenberg Traurig LLP, Miami, Florida
Victor Vilaplana, Partner, Foley Lardner LLP, San Diego, California

Public Interest/Service Track:

Location: Lone Star A3

The Successful Lawyer's Playbook, How to Leverage Your Strengths to Flourish in Work and Life

This interactive presentation shows you how to craft a career plan by setting meaningful goals and leveraging your strengths to gain the skills necessary to reach them. You will also learn how to use the latest research on work engagement, positive psychology and neurobiology to increase your levels of overall well being and success in life and work, so you don't burn out along the way. Attendees will leave with a better understanding of how to access their unique strengths profile, and how to use this profile to create a more successful career and a healthier, happier life.

Presenter: **Cindy Pladziewicz**, Founding member of *Professional Development Perspectives*, and Professional Certified Coach (PCC)

Criminal Law:

Location: Lone Star A4

Human Trafficking: 21st Century Slavery

Human trafficking and sex trafficking have often been referred to as modern day slavery. The victims of these heinous crimes are typically immigrants, women, and children. While innocence and trust cannot be restored to those who are abused and exploited, this panel will discuss the challenges of investigating and prosecuting these cases, recurring victim-witness issues, and the tolls available to federal and state law enforcement to ensure that justice is done.

Moderator: **Barbara A. Martinez**, Assistant U.S. Attorney and Chief of Special Prosecutions Section, United States Attorney's Office for the Southern District of Florida

Panel: **The Honorable Luis C. deBaca**, Ambassador-At-Large, Office to Monitor and Combat Trafficking in Persons, U.S. Department of State
The Honorable Wifredo A. Ferrer, U.S. Attorney, Southern District of Florida
The Honorable Thomas E. Perez, Assistant Attorney General for the Civil Rights Division, U.S. Department of Justice
Maria Sanchez-Gagne, Assistant Attorney General, Office of the New Mexico Attorney General, and Director of the Border Violence Division.

10:45 a.m. – 11:45 a.m.



Business Track:

Location: Lone Star A1

Securities Law Developments

There have been significant developments in the area of securities law. This panel will discuss the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act of 2010 and the implementing regulations adopted by the Securities and Exchange Commission, amongst other topics.

Moderator: **Patricia Villarreal**, Partner-In-Charge, Jones Day, Dallas, TX

Panel: **Eduardo S. Espinosa**, Partner, K&L Gates LLP
Sarah E. Saldaña, Deputy Criminal Chief, U.S. Attorney's Office for the Northern District of Texas; Nominated by President Obama to be the U.S. Attorney for the Northern District of Texas, awaiting Senate confirmation.

Dispute Resolution/Litigation Track:

Location: Lone Star A2

Effective Oral Advocacy for Litigators

Moderator: **Lisa Blue Baron**, Partner, Baron & Blue, Dallas

Panel: **Laurel Bellows**, Principal, The Bellows Law Group, P.C.
Ophelia Camiña, Partner, Susman Godfrey LLP
The Honorable Eva Guzman, Justice, Texas State Supreme Court

Public Interest/Service Track:

Location: Lone Star A3

Out of the Shadows: Immigration Issues for the Latino LGBT Community

This panel discussion will discuss the legal context that Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender Latino immigrants have to navigate. From the rights of bi-national same sex couples to access to family reunifications options, workplace protections against discrimination for LGBT immigrants, to the rights of LGBT immigrant detainees, this workshop will discuss the current state of the law and recent developments, new advocacy campaigns, and potential options for relief for LGBT Latino immigrants.

Moderator: **Kenneth Upton**, Supervising Attorney, Lambda Legal, South Central Regional Office

Panel: **Martha Gonzalez**, Staff Attorney, Human Rights Initiative
Iván Espinoza-Madrigal, Staff Attorney, Lambda Legal
John Nechman, Partner, Katine & Nechman LLP
Dan Torres, Staff Attorney, California Rural Legal Assistance; National Center for Lesbian Rights



Criminal Law:

Location: Lone Star A4

Prosecution, Ethics and the Media

The purpose of this course is to prepare prosecutors on what their ethical responsibilities are in dealing with the media with respect to any of their cases. High profile cases and the special issues that arise will be discussed. Also, the proper balance between the public's right to know and the confidentiality of a case will be covered. Additionally, the panel will discuss effective ways of utilizing the media to communicate the prosecution's role and providing the public with useful information while still complying with ethical obligations.

Moderator: **Lemuel L. Martinez**, 13th Judicial District Attorney, Rio Rancho, New Mexico

Panel: **Claudia Castro**, Assistant State Attorney, Cook County, Illinois
Michael A. Ramos, District Attorney, San Bernardino County, California
Henry R. Valdez, Supervising Deputy District Attorney, Sandoval County, New Mexico

12:00 p.m. – 1:30 p.m.

**HNBA Commission on the Status of Latinas in the Legal Profession
Third Annual Awards Luncheon**

Location: Lone Star Ballroom

Keynote remarks: *Sylvia Mendez*, Civil Rights Activist

Awards: *Latina Attorney of the Year, Latino Attorney of the Year, and 2011 Latina Commission Award*

CLE PROGRAMMING

1:45 p.m. – 2:45 p.m.

Business Track:

Location: Lone Star A1

Corporate Governance Issues

This program will focus on issues that are critical to the boards of directors and the management of public companies, such as the SEC's new regulations on shareholder proposals and whistleblower protection. It will also cover issues relating to executive compensation and shareholder voting on executive compensation.

Moderator: **Pablo Schneider**, Contributing Editor, *Latino Leaders Magazine*



Panel: **The Honorable Nelson A. Diaz**, Former Judge of the Philadelphia Court of Common Pleas; Partner, Dilworth Paxson LLP
 Marc R. Treviño, Co-Managing Partner, Executive Compensation & Benefits Practice Group, Sullivan & Cromwell
 Reynaldo A. Valencia, Associate Dean, St. Mary’s School of Law

Dispute Resolution/Litigation Track:

Location: Lone Star A2

Arbitration vs. Litigation: What's Really the Best Alternative for Your Client?

This panel discussion will explore whether arbitration continues to be a viable alternative to litigation, including contrasts between the two approaches concerning: strategic considerations; length of time from commencement to disposition; applicable procedures; cost; and the advantages and disadvantages of each.

Moderator: **The Honorable Carlos R. Moreno** (Retired), Former Associate Justice of the California Supreme Court; Of Counsel, Irell & Manella LLP

Panel: **The Honorable David Medina**, Justice, Texas Supreme Court
 Yvette Ostolaza, Partner, Weil, Gotshal & Manges
 Rudy Rodríguez, Jr., Partner, Gruber Hurst Johansen Hail Shank, LLP

Public Interest/Service Track:

Location: Lone Star A3

Sanctuary Cities as a National Concern and the Impact of State and Local Legislation on Immigration

Cities in the United States began designating themselves as sanctuary cities during the 1980s. The first policy was first initiated in 1979 in Los Angeles to prevent police from inquiring about the immigration status of arrestees so that officers would not initiate police action, with the objective of discovering the alien status of a person. Since then, with the growing crisis caused by the broken immigration system at the federal level, states have begun to develop a patchwork of laws aimed at addressing if and how to conduct reviews of residents’ immigration status. This year, the Administration has also issued new guidelines on its program to review the legal status of individuals who are arrested, called “Secure Communities”. The panel of experts will explore the legal arguments used by existing sanctuary cities, the legal implications of the existing patchwork of local and state laws, and the mechanics of programs like Secure Communities and how they are implemented at the local and state level.

Moderator: **The Honorable Juan Jasso**, Dallas County Justice of the Peace

Panel: **The Honorable Rafael Anchia**, Texas State Representative and Partner, Haynes & Boone LLP
 Chief David Brown, Chief of Police, City of Dallas



The Honorable Delia Jasso, Member, City Council, City of Dallas

Criminal Law:

Location: Lone Star A4

Identity Theft

Reports of data breaches and identity theft fill the pages of the news media. This panel will address the legal issues surrounding these topics.

Moderator: **John A. Menchaca**, Senior Vice President and General Counsel, CSIIdentity Corporation

Panel: **Paula Pierce**, Managing Attorney, Texas Legal Services Center
Steven Toporoff, Attorney, Division of Privacy and Identity Protection, Bureau of Consumer Protection, Federal Trade Commission
Gary Tromblay, Deputy Criminal Chief for General Crimes, Office of the United States Attorney for the Northern District of Texas

LAW STUDENT PROGRAMMING

2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Career Fair Preparation Workshop

Location: Houston AB

This is a unique opportunity for law students to meet with HNBA attorneys who will provide practical advice on resume writing and interview skills. Attorneys will also be available to review students' resumes and answer questions on interview tips.

Moderator: **David Maldonado**, Senior Vice President, Special Counsel, Inc.

Panel: **Francisco Cerezo**, Hiring Partner, Foley & Lardner LLP
Valerie Jackson, Director of Diversity and Inclusion, K&L Gates
Jason Krieser, Hiring Partner, Jones Day
David Shulte, Hiring Partner, Thompson Knight

Mock Interviewers: **Rick Barrera**, Associate, The Malhotra Law Firm
Jose Perez, Associate, Smith, Sovik, Kendrick, & Sugnet, PC
Peter M. Reyes, Jr., Senior Intellectual Property Attorney, Cargill, Corporation

CLE PROGRAMMING

3:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Business Track:



Location: Lone Star A1

Recent Developments in Patent Law

This panel will discuss recent developments in the area of patent law. It will cover recent patent cases decided by the Federal Circuit, the Federal Trade Commission's proposed revisions to "patent notice" contained in its March 2011 report entitled *The Evolving IP Marketplace: Aligning Patent Notice and Remedies with Competition*, and discuss Section 337 litigation before the International Trade Commission.

Moderator: **Brianna Hinojosa-Flores**, Patent Attorney, Research in Motion; City Councilmember, Coppell, TX

Panel: **William Cohen**, Deputy General Counsel, Federal Trade Commission
Krista Contino Krahn, Law Clerk to The Honorable Jimmie V. Reyna, U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit
Nathan Kelley, Associate Solicitor, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office
Ian Taronji, Associate, Adduci, Mastriani & Schaumberg, LLP

Dispute Resolution/Litigation Track:

Location: Lone Star A2

Three Hot Topics in Employment Law

The panel will address three important topics of interest in the field of employment law: a legal update from the EEOC; legal implications of social media at the workplace; and employment issues affecting the Hispanic workforce.

Moderator: **Jaime Ramón**, Partner, K&L Gates

Panel: **Robert A. Canino**, Regional Attorney, Equal Employment and Opportunity Commission (EEOC), Dallas
Angelina LaPenotiere, Partner, Carrington Coleman
Victor Viramontes, National Senior Counsel, Mexican American Legal Defense and Education Fund

Public Interest/Service Track:

Location: Lone Star A3

Looking at Latino Political History through the Lens of *Hernandez v. Texas*. Still a Class Apart?

The *Hernandez v. Texas* and *Brown v. Board of Education* cases, decided within a two-week period, send different signals as to the Court's rationale for finding a Fourteenth Amendment violation. *Hernandez* lacks the direct proof of discrimination that *Brown* abundantly possesses. However, *Hernandez* found the circumstantial evidence to be quite compelling. The Court concluded it was incredulous that during a period of twenty-five years, a county with a fourteen percent Latino population



could not find even one Latino to serve on a jury. The statistics alone seem to pave the road to the Court's language that the "result bespeaks discrimination." While *Hernandez* leaves room to argue that discriminatory impact evidence suffices to prove a violation of equal protection, later Supreme Court precedents create in civil rights attorneys a concern that they need the smoking gun of an overtly racist act to prove their equal protection claim. The panelists will discuss the *Hernandez* case and its development as well as ideas as to how the holding can be applied to issues like educational opportunity and others which confront the Latino community, the nation's largest and still growing ethnic minority group.

Moderator: **Ruben C. DeLeon**, DeLeon Law Group, PC

Panel: **Mercedes Olivera**, Journalist, The Dallas Morning News
Lupe Salinas, Professor, TSU Law

Criminal Law:

Location: Lone Star A4

Elderly Exploitation and the Criminal Justice Perspective

This presentation will give an overview of common financial crimes and the successes and difficulties in prosecuting these crimes when the victim is elderly. Real case studies of actual prosecutions will be presented.

Panel: **Amy Croft**, Assistant District Attorney with the Dallas County District Attorney's Office
Donna Strittmatter, Assistant District Attorney with the Dallas County District Attorney's Office

4:00 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.

Mid Year Planning Committee Reception

Location: Austin Ballroom 2

Hosted by: Lowenstein Sandler LLP and Sedgwick LLP

5:00 p.m. BUSES BEGIN TO DEPART FOR SOUTHERN METHODIST UNIVERSITY

6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.

Evening Reception

Location:
Southern Methodist University Dedman School of Law
3315 Daniel Avenue, Dallas, TX



Welcome remarks: Dean John B. Attanasio, Southern Methodist University Dedman School of Law

Keynote remarks: Laurel Bellows, Principal, The Bellows Law Group, P.C; President-Elect of the American Bar Association

Awards: Latino Judge of the Year, Latina Judge of the Year, and the Presidential Award

6:50 p.m. BUSES BEGIN TO DEPART FOR MEADOWS MUSEUM

7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

Private Tour of the Meadows Museum for HNBA Convention attendees

10:00 p.m. – close

HNBA Young Lawyers Division After Party

Location:

Wild Salsa

1800 Main Street, Dallas, TX 75201

Friday, September 2, 2011

Registration Hours: 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Location: Lone Star Foyer

Exhibit Hall Hours: 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Location: Lone Star Foyer

Career Fair: 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Location: Lone Star Ballroom B

All interviews will be held in 30 minute intervals

8:00 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.

Plenary Breakfast:

Location: Lone Star Ballroom

Remarks: The Honorable Todd Robinson, Deputy Assistant Secretary, U.S. Department of State
Mr. Robinson will focus on how the Department would like to partner with Spanish-speaking attorneys to help solve some of the incredible challenges the Americas are facing in terms of transnational crime.

Picking the Casey Anthony Jury in the Day and Age of Instantaneous Mass Media



Interviewer: Lisa Blue Baron, Partner, Baron & Blue

Panel: Jose A. Baez, Esq., The Baez Law Firm
Geraldo Rivera, Journalist and Attorney

Remarks: Barry Sorrels, Partner, Sorrels, Udashen & Anton

CLE PROGRAMMING

9:30 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.

Business Track:

Location: Lone Star A1

Corporate Compliance and Business Ethics Programs

In-house counsel and compliance professionals are responsible for developing, reviewing and implementing effective corporate compliance and ethics programs. Compliance with laws and the organization's policies are critical components of effective risk management. Additionally, in-house counsel and compliance professionals are responsible for advising their clients on how to obtain business and close transactions. These objectives can often create ethical dilemmas for the lawyer as closing a transaction or approving a decision may fall into the "gray zone" of complying with law. This panel will discuss corporate programs designed to comply with U.S. and global laws as well as how they manage those ethical dilemmas.

Moderator: Maria Fernandez, Senior Counsel and Trust & Compliance Officer, IBM Corporation

Panel: Rosario Hepppe, Senior Director, Corporate Compliance, Fluor Corporation
Brendyn Ryan, Microsoft Corporation
Mauro M. Wolfe, Duane Morris LLP
Rafael X. Zahralddin, Elliott Greenleaf

Dispute Resolution/Litigation Track:

Location: Lone Star A2

Current Trends/Changes in Intellectual Property Litigation

Intellectual property laws are changing rapidly in response to new technologies. In this session, Intellectual Property Litigation attorneys offer insights into new developments in trademarks, patents, right of publicity and more, with a particular focus on how these developments apply to technology companies.

Moderator: Dr. Jose Melendez, Founder and CEO of Patent Calls, Inc.

Panel: Hilda Galvan, Partner, Jones Day



Dora Peñagaricano, Capital Member, McConnell Valdés, LLC
Giselle Ruiz Arthur, Corporate Trademark Counsel, Trademark & Copyright Group,
DuPont Legal

Public Interest/Service Track:

Location: Lone Star A3

Exonerations: The Dallas Experience

This panel will address the vision and implementation of the Dallas County District Attorney's Office's internationally recognized Conviction Integrity Unit (CIU). Additionally, the panel will present the CIU's work and accomplishments and feature a CIU exoneree, Patrick Waller, who was wrongfully convicted and served nearly 16 years in a Texas prison for crimes he did not commit.

Panel: **Cynthia R. Garza**, Dallas County Assistant District Attorney
Patrick Waller, Dallas County Exoneree
Craig Watkins, Dallas County District Attorney

Judicial Summit/Bench and Bar:

Location: Lone Star C4

Path to the Federal Bench

The moderator and panelists will discuss the important qualifications of candidates for the federal bench, federal requirements, and strategies necessary for a successful confirmation process. This panel will provide the perspective of an expert in judicial selection and nominations processes, a candidate that has experienced this process, and organizations that work for added diversity on the bench. This is also an opportunity to learn more about the HNBA's judicial endorsements program, its recent publication "Path to the Federal Bench", and the great success achieved in the last few years by the HNBA with the growing nominations and confirmations of Latino candidates.

Moderator: **Robert Raben**, Founder and Principal, The Raben Group

Panel: **Zaida Arguedas**, Deputy Executive Director, League of Women Voters
The Honorable Lucy Haeran Koh, U.S. District Court for the Northern District of California
The Honorable Marco Hernandez, U.S. District Court for the District of Oregon
Zinelle October, Associate Director for Student Chapters, American Constitution Society for Law and Policy

10:45 a.m. – 11:45 a.m.

Business Track:

Location: Lone Star A1



Global Business Transactions

Businesses operate today on a global basis. This panel will discuss the intricacies of conducting business, and preparing transactional documents, on a global basis.

Moderator: **Jaime Areizaga-Soto**, Candidate for State Senate of Virginia, Former Appointee in the Office of the General Counsel, U.S. Agency for International Development

Panel: **Wilson Chu**, Partner, K&L Gates
Carmela Hernandez, Associate, Baker & McKenzie
Florentino Ramirez, Sr., Ramirez & Associates
Marcos G. Ronquillo, Partner, Godwin Ronquillo PC

Dispute Resolution/Litigation Track:

Location: Lone Star A2

Legal Writing

Moderator: **Chad Baruch**, Law Office of Chad Baruch, Dallas, TX

Panel: **The Honorable Albert Díaz**, Judge, U.S. Court of Appeals for the 4th Circuit
The Honorable Irma C. Ramírez, U.S. Magistrate Judge, Northern District of Texas

Public Interest/Service Track:

Location: Lone Star A3

Health Care Reform – Legal Debate over Federalism/Interstate Commerce

Moderator: **Miriam Montesinos**, Partner, Sheppard Mullin

Panel: **Denise Rios Rodriguez**, Partner, Foley & Lardner LLP
Henry Talavera, Partner, Hunton & Williams LLP

Judicial Summit/Bench and Bar:

Location: Lone Star C4

Contempt and Sanctions: Spare the Rod, Spoil the Profession?

Moderator: **The Honorable M. Kent Sims**, Dallas Civil District Courts

Panel: **The Honorable Eva Guzman**, Justice, Texas Supreme Court
The Honorable Paul Davis, District Judge, Austin – Senior Judge 200th District Court, Travis County, Presently visiting Judge, Mediator and Arbitrator



12:00 p.m. – 1:45 p.m.

Hispanic General Counsel Roundtable Luncheon

Location: Lone Star Ballroom

Hispanic General Counsel from Corporate America and a non-profit organization will discuss their career paths and the current legal issues that are important to them in their organizations (what keeps them up at night) and as Hispanics.

Moderator: **Walfrido “Wally” J. Martinez**, Managing Partner, Hunton & Williams; former Senior Vice President and General Counsel of Diageo

Panel: **Carlos Hernandez**, Chief Legal Officer and Secretary, Fluor Corporation
Regina Montoya, Senior Vice President and General Counsel, Dallas Children’s Medical Center
Gloria Santona, Executive Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary, McDonald’s Corporation
John Torres, Executive Vice President/Chief Legal Officer, Lennox International

Keynote Remarks: **Mayor Julian Castro**, San Antonio, Texas

Award: **Corporate Partner of the Year**

CLE PROGRAMMING

1:45 p.m – 2:45 p.m.

Business Track:

Location: Lone Star A1

U.S. Antitrust and Global Competition Laws

Representatives from the federal government and in-house counsel will discuss recent developments in U.S. antitrust enforcement laws and among global competition authorities.

Moderator: **Peter M. Reyes, Jr.**, Senior Intellectual Property Counsel, Cargill, Incorporated

Panel: **Armando Irizarry**, Counsel for Intellectual Property, Anticompetitive Practices Division, Bureau of Competition, Federal Trade Commission
Peter Mucchetti, Assistant Chief, Litigation I Section, Antitrust Division, U.S. Department of Justice

Dispute Resolution/Litigation Track:

Location: Lone Star A2



Twitter Me This or Why We Can't Be Friends? The Impact of Social Networking in Discovery & Trial

The impact of social media (Facebook, Twitter, LinkedIn, etc.) continues to grow in legal matters including litigation and trial. Social media use has involved all participants in lawsuits including judges, jurors, consultants, attorneys, reporters, and witnesses. Use of social media leaves mines of data online. This information can be of great use in building case themes and defenses. This panel discussion will explore: the discoverability and admissibility of information and evidence obtained from social networking sites, including recent judicial decisions; ethical implications of “friending” opponents in litigation; discovery and trial tips; and best practices for litigants and counsel regarding the use of social networking sites.

Moderator: **Thomas Warnock, Sr.**, Senior Counsel, DuPont

Panel: **Sean Andrade**, Partner, Baute Crochetiere & Maloney LLP
Camilo Echavarria, Partner, Davis Wright Tremaine LLP
David C. Shonka, Principal Deputy General Counsel, Federal Trade Commission

Public Interest/Service Track:

Location: Lone Star A3

Birth-right Citizenship and the 14th Amendment

This panel will provide an overview of existing legislation aimed at eliminating birth-right citizenship and interpretation of the naturalization clause of the 14th Amendment. This panel will provide a legal analysis of the legislation threatening to end birthright citizenship and current developments.

Moderator: **Diana S. Sen**, Senior Counsel, LatinoJustice PRLDEF

Panel: **Aracely Muñoz Petrich**, Director, ABA Commission on Hispanic Legal Rights & Responsibilities
Jenny Rivera, Professor of Law, The City University of New York (CUNY)
Thomas A. Saenz, President, Mexican American Legal Defense and Education Fund
Daniel Stein, President, Federation for American Immigration Reform

Judicial Summit/Bench and Bar:

Location: Lone Star A4

Why Do Bad Things Happen to Good Judges?

Moderator: **The Honorable Catharina Haynes**, Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals

Panel: **The Honorable Carlos Lopez**, Former State District Judge; Shareholder, Vincent, Lopez, Serafino, Jenevein
The Honorable Lana Myers, Justice, 5th District Court of Appeals



The Honorable Irma C. Ramírez, U.S. Magistrate Judge Northern District of Texas

3:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Business Track:

Location: Lone Star A1

The White House Executive Appointments Project

The White House Presidential Personnel Office is pleased to attend the annual conference for the Hispanic National Bar Association and discuss opportunities to work for the President. This presentation will focus on the Presidential appointments process and answer the questions individuals may have about joining the Administration. The Obama Administration is committed to finding the best and brightest people to fill roles across all agencies, and at every level, in order to drive the kind of creativity, innovation and change that President Obama intends to bring to Washington.

Panel: **Biz Scott**, Special Assistant to the President, Presidential Personnel Office

Dispute Resolution/Litigation Track:

Location: Lone Star A2

Belted or Unbelted?: Seat Belt Issues in Product Liability Claims

The question of whether or not seat belts are worn by occupants during a collision becomes an issue in evaluating compliance with restraint laws, determining comparative negligence, and assessing alleged defect in occupant protection systems in product liability claims. A general overview of the seat belt issues will be presented, including a discussion of the role of the biomechanics expert in injury causation analysis and the evaluations an expert may rely on to assess seat belt usage and effectiveness. Case studies will be presented highlighting various restraint scenarios, including accidents where non-use or misuse of seatbelts resulted in enhanced injuries and those where seat belt usage would not have affected injury outcome.

Moderator: **Yesenia Cardenas**, Associate, Bowman and Brooke LLP

Panel: **Benny Agosto, Jr.**, Partner, Abraham, Watkins, Nichols, Sorrels, Agosto & Friend
Keith Graffam, Founding Partner, Graffam & Biaggi
Lisette Ruberté, Senior Associate, Exponent

Public Interest/Service Track:

Location: Lone Star A3

Overview of Current Immigration Legislation and Enforcement

The panel will provide an overview of the current status of immigration legislation at the state and federal level, and an analysis of the constitutionality of such laws, impact on civil rights, and a review of



recent administrative briefings and memoranda adding guidance for the office of U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement.

Moderator: **Lillian Rodriguez López**, President, Hispanic Federation

Panel: **Jim Ferg-Cadima**, Regional Counsel, Mexican American Legal Defense and Education Fund
Hector Sanchez, Executive Director, Labor Council for Latin American Advancement
Brent Wilkes, National Executive Director, League of United Latin American Citizens

Judicial Forum:

Location: Lone Star A4

Implicit Bias: Analyzing Power

As a society, we often believe that individuals and/or their communities are solely responsible for their conditions. Through the analysis of institutional power, participants will learn to identify and unpack the systems external to the community that create the internal realities that many people experience daily.

Facilitator: **The People's Institute for Survival and Beyond**

4:00 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.

HNBA Young Lawyers Division Meeting

Location: TBD (also accessible via telephone conference)

4:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Champagne Cocktail Reception by the LGBT Section of the HNBA

Location: TBD

Hosted by: American Eagle and Latitudes

5:00 p.m. – **BUSES BEGIN TO DEPART TO DALLAS COWBOYS STADIUM**
****Please view transportation schedule at Registration in lobby and at Concierge desk for specific pick-up/departure schedule and location.*

6:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m.

Reception at Dallas Cowboys Stadium

Location: Dallas Cowboys Stadium



Welcoming remarks: Wayne Watts, Sr. Executive VP & General Counsel, AT&T

Keynote address: The Honorable John Cornyn, United States Senator from Texas

Award: Ohtli Award

Saturday, September 3, 2011

Youth Symposium Registration: 8:00 a.m. – 8:30 a.m.

Location: Lone Star Foyer

Attorney Registration Hours: 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Location: Lone Star Foyer

Exhibit Hall Hours: 9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Location: Lone Star Foyer

8:00 a.m. – 8:50 a.m.

Continental Breakfast

Open to Law Students, Youth Symposium, and Convention Attendees

Location: Lone Star A4

Welcoming Remarks: Diana Sen, HNBA President

YOUTH SYMPOSIUM SCHEDULE

9:00 a.m. - 9:45 a.m.

High School Student Track

Location: Lone Star A2

Why Should I Attend Law School?

Students will hear interesting stories from attorneys on why they chose the profession, their personal background, and attorney life.

Moderator: Florentino A. Ramirez, Ramirez & Associates

Panel: Benny Agosto, Jr., Partner, Abraham, Watkins, Nichols, Sorrels, Agosto & Friend
Martin Garza, Partner, K&L Gates
The Honorable Eva Guzman, Justice, Supreme Court of Texas



College Student Track

Location: Lone Star A3

What It Takes To Get Into Law School

Students will receive detailed information from law school admissions staff, attorneys, and law students regarding the Law School Admissions Test (LSAT) preparation, essay tips, law school life, and the post-law school bar examination.

Moderator: Jason Almonte, U.S. Department of the Treasury

Panel: Natacha Carbajal, Baker & Hostetler LLP
Bianca Garcia, President-Elect of the HNBA Law Student Division; University of Texas School of Law, Austin, TX
Lori Rodge, Director of Admissions, Texas Wesleyan School of Law

9:50 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.

High School Student Track

Location: Lone Star A2

What it Takes to Become an Attorney

Students will hear from attorneys of diverse backgrounds and in different fields of the law as to how they entered the legal profession and the skills and tools that are necessary to pursue a legal career.

Moderator: Victoria Neave, Weil, Gotshal & Manges

Panel: Gloria Bahamon, University of North Texas
Veronica Marie, Southern Methodist University Dedman School of Law
Diana Sen, HNBA President

College Student Track

Location: Lone Star A4

Break-out Discussion Groups

Undergraduate students may choose from one of the following attorney panels that will expose students to the plethora of different practice areas available for attorneys.

- *Private Practice v. Public/Non-Profit Practice*
- *Criminal v. Civil Practice*
- *Transactional v. Litigation Practice*
- *Public Servants: Judges & Elected Officials*
- *Small/Solo Firm v. Medium/Large Firm Practice*



1. Private Practice v. Public/Non-profit Practice

Moderator: Juliette Gallegos

Panel: Sean Andrade, Partner, Baute, Crochetiere & Maloney
Karina Ayala-Bermejo, Vice President of Human Resources and General Counsel at Metropolitan Family Services
Richard Graffam, Capital Member, McConnel Valdez LLC
Gerardo Rojas, U.S. Department of Education, Office for Civil Rights

2. Criminal v. Civil Practice

Moderator: Steve Gonzalez, Esq.

Panel: The Honorable Roberto Cañas, Judge, Criminal Court No. 10, Dallas, TX
Cynthia Mares, Regulatory Counsel, Colorado Supreme Court
Victor Marquez, The Marquez Law Group

3. Public Servants: Judges and Elected Officials

Moderator/ Speaker: Sarah Saldaña, Deputy Criminal Chief, U.S. Attorney's Office for the Northern District of Texas; Nominated by President Obama to be the U.S. Attorney for the Northern District of Texas, awaiting Senate confirmation.

Panel: The Honorable Francisca Cota, Judge, City of Phoenix Municipal Court
Brianna Hinojosa Flores, City Councilmember, Coppell, TX

10:45 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

Joint Interactive Session

Location: Lone Star A1

Trial Demonstration

Facilitator: Jose Ortiz, U.S. Department of Education, Dallas, TX

Panel: The Honorable Roberto Cañas, Judge, Criminal Court No. 10, Dallas, TX
Brandon McCarthy, Office of the U.S. Attorney for the Northern District of Texas
Aisha Saleem, Office of the U.S. Attorney for the Northern District of Texas

Student Analysis of Hypothetical Legal Scenarios



Facilitator: Steve Gonzalez, Esq.

Introduction: Benny Agosto, Jr., Esq.

11:30 a.m.

Closing

Keynote remarks: The Honorable Eva Guzman, Justice, Texas Supreme Court

Closing remarks: Juliette Gallegos & Jose Ortiz, Youth Symposium Chairs

LAW STUDENT DIVISION PROGRAMMING

Location: Lone Star C2

8:30 a.m. - 9:30 a.m.

Session I: The Job Search: Strategies for Finding a Job Now, and in the Future

Moderator: Arturo Errisuriz, Assistant Dean for Career Services, Texas Wesleyan University School of Law

Panel: Amanda Ellis, Vice President of Search, Special Counsel, Inc.
Sarah E. Saldaña, Deputy Criminal Chief, U.S. Attorney's Office for the Northern District of Texas; Nominated by President Obama to be the U.S. Attorney for the Northern District of Texas, awaiting Senate confirmation.
Elisabeth Wilson, Associate, Winstead, PC

9:45 a.m. - 10:45 a.m.

Session II: Professionalism and Etiquette: What You Should Know to Successfully Transition to the Legal Profession

Moderator: Carlos Morales, Partner, Friedman & Feiger, LLP

Panel: Natacha Carbajal, Associate, Baker & Hostetler, LLP
Laura Hernandez, Assistant Professor of Law, Baylor Law School
The Honorable Aurora Madrigal, Associate Judge at Office of Court Administration

11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Location: Lone Star C2



Thinking of Starting Your Own Practice One Day? The Nuts and Bolts of Hanging Your Own Shingle.

Moderator: Lynn Davis Ward, Attorney & CPA, Ward & Turton,

Panel: The Honorable Denise Garcia, 303rd Judicial District Court, Family Division
The Honorable Graciela Olvera, 256th Judicial District Court, Family Division

ATTORNEY AND LAW STUDENT PROGRAMMING

Location: Houston AB

9:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.

Film Screening: *Sowing the Seeds of Justice*

Sowing the Seeds of Justice paints a portrait of Cruz Reynoso, a man who felt the sting of injustice as a child and later, as a lawyer, judge and teacher, fought for over five decades to eradicate discrimination and inequality for all. *Sowing the Seeds of Justice* begins with Cruz Reynoso's childhood where he was born into a Spanish-speaking farm worker family of eleven children. It shows his struggle to be educated, leading to his graduation from Pomona College in 1953 and from UC Berkeley Law School in 1958. He then became the first Latino Director of California Rural Legal Assistance in 1969, Founder of the HNBA in 1971, and later one of the first Latino law professors in the country at the University of New Mexico Law School. His ascent to the California Supreme Court was a singular achievement, when he was appointed by Governor Jerry Brown as the first Latino justice on that bench. Then in a heated recall campaign whose central issue was the death penalty, Reynoso and two other justices lost their seats. As Vice Chair on the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights, he provided leadership in the only investigation of voting rights abuses in the 2000 election in Florida. He received the country's highest civilian honor, the Presidential Medal of Freedom, for his lifelong devotion to public service and today at 80, he continues to teach law at UC Davis Law School and to actively participate in community organizations throughout the state of California.

Moderator: Diana S. Sen, National President of the Hispanic National Bar Association, Senior Counsel, Latino Justice PRLDEF

Panel: The Honorable Cruz Reynoso, Founder of the HNBA, Professor of Law, U.C. Davis School of Law
The Honorable Lorenzo Arredondo, Judge Lorenzo Arredondo Justice Center, Founder of HNBA
Donato Tapia, HNBA History Committee Co-Chair, U.S. Dept of Education Attorney, co-Founder of HNBA

11:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Location: Houston AB

Diversity – The Growing Hispanic Population in the United States



The Hispanic population is now the fastest growing demographic in the country, and the youngest. The Latino population has doubled and tripled over the last ten years, mostly in non-traditionally Hispanic areas. Today, 1 in 3 kindergartners is Hispanic, and by 2023 that number will be 50% nationwide. These demographic changes demonstrate the growing power of Latinos as an electorate, consumer market, and as advocates. Andres Ramirez discusses the potential impact of these shifts and current re-districting issues facing Latino communities throughout the country.

Speaker: **Andres Ramirez**, Founder and Principal, Ramirez Group

12:00 p.m. - 1:30 p.m.

Networking Lunch: Joint Luncheon with Attorneys and Youth Symposium Participants

Location: Lone Star Ballroom

Keynote Speaker

Award: Law Student Organization of the Year

2:00 p.m. – 4:00 pm

Attorney and Law Student Programming - ABA Co-Sponsored*

Location: Houston AB

Pathways to Employment

This showcased panel is in Co-Sponsorship with the **American Bar Association** (ABA) and features experienced lawyers who will discuss career opportunities in private practice, government service, as corporate in-house counsel, and in the international area for lawyers and law students.

Moderator: **Jaime (“Jim”) Taronji**, Attorney, Office of the General Counsel, Federal Trade Commission

Panel: **Marcelo Bombau**, ABA Section of International Law, M. & M. Bomchil
David Maldonado, Senior Vice President, Special Counsel, Inc.
Richard Parker, Special Counsel, U.S. Department of Justice
Veta Richardson, President and CEO of the Association of Corporate Counsel
Major General Butch Tate, Deputy Judge Advocate General, U.S. Army
Glenn West, Managing Partner, Weil, Gotshal & Manges

4:30 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.

The iPad for Lawyers



This presentation is hosted by the HNBA Young Lawyers Division (HNBA-YLD) and features an expert in technology and legal practice. Tom Mighell is a Senior Consultant with Contoural, Inc., where he helps companies with their records management, e-discovery and litigation readiness issues. Tom publishes two blogs on technology: Inter Alia (www.inter-alia.net), a legal technology blog, and iPad 4 Lawyers (www.tommighell.com/ipad), a companion blog to his new book *iPad in One Hour for Lawyers*, now available from the ABA. He co-authored *The Lawyer's Guide to Collaboration Tools and Technologies* along with Dennis Kennedy, who is also his co-host on the popular “Kennedy-Mighell Report”, a legal technology podcast.

Presenter: Tom Mighell, Senior Consultant, Contoural, Inc.

6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

Location: Lone Star C4

VIP Reception and Swearing in of the Board of Governors
By invitation only

General Reception

Location: Lone Star A3-A4

7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

Awards Gala Dinner

Location: Lone Star Ballroom

Keynote Remarks by The Honorable Jimmie V. Reyna, Judge, U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit

Award: HNBA Lifetime Achievement Award

Swearing-in of HNBA President and President-Elect

Entertainment until midnight.

12:00 a.m. – 2:00 a.m.

HNBA Law Student Division Dallas Social

Location:

The Iron Cactus Mexican Grill & Margarita Bar
1520 Main Street, Dallas, TX 75201



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