

Training / Seminar Approval Form

Department Name: District Attorney

Seminar Name: Prosecutor Trial Skills Course TDCAA

Purpose: Attorney CLE Required

Place: Sheraton Capitol Hotel Aulin, Texas

Date: July 9, 2023 - July 14, 2023

Who Will Be Attending:

Amy Collis

This Training/ Seminar is necessary for the following reasons:

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Required continuing education | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Job training |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Improve work performance | <input type="checkbox"/> Required certification |

Attach Registration Form and Complete the following information:

Amount of registration \$350.00 Date registration is due ASAP

- Return check to department head
- Request Treasurer to mail check with registration

If an advance is requested, attach a completed Johnson County Travel Form.

Department Head Signature: *Mary Cashin*

COMMISSIONERS COURT

SEND FORM TO COUNTY JUDGE'S OFFICE

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RECEIVED BY COUNTY JUDGE'S OFFICE _____ DATE: _____

APPROVED BY COMMISSIONER'S COURT: _____ DATE: **Approved**

Amy

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Prosecutor Trial Skills Course

July 9-14, 2023

Austin

27.25 hours of MCLE, including 3 hours of ethics

The host hotel:
Sheraton Capitol Hotel
701 E. 11th St.
Austin, TX 78701
888/627-8349

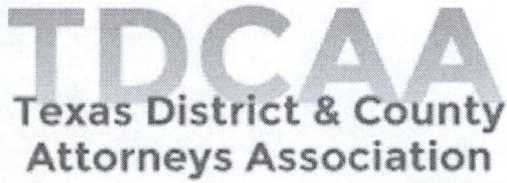
Rooms are
\$145 plus tax;
this rate is good
until June 21 or the
block is sold out,
whichever comes
first.

Anyone who is new to a prosecutor's office should plan to attend the Texas District and County Attorneys Association's Prosecutor Trial Skills Course this July in Austin. It's a full week of intensive training that prepares new prosecutors for their work both in the courtroom and out. Seasoned faculty advisors are assigned to small groups of attendees to answer questions and direct discussions at each table, and jury selection and opening statement are demonstrated by veteran prosecutors. New prosecutors won't want to miss this intensive, high-quality training customized especially for them!

Registration for this conference and other information is at tdcaa.com.

This program is funded by a grant from the Texas Court of Criminal Appeals and by the Texas District and County Attorneys Association.

INVOICE #	225609
Registered By: Amy Collis (acollis@johnsoncountytexas.org)	
Registration Date 6/13/2023 12:43:27 PM	Registration Amount \$350.00
Invoice Date 6/13/2023	Amount Paid \$0.00
Paid Date	Amount Due \$350.00



505 W. 12th St., Ste 100 • Austin, TX 78701 • 512-474-2436

Registration Invoice

To ensure that you receive credit **PLEASE ENTER YOUR BAR NUMBER and or PID NUMBER.**

Contact Information: If any pre-populated information need updating, please contact Kaylene Braden at kaylene.braden@tdcaa.com.

Title: Ms.

Badge Name: Amy

First Name: Amy

Last Name: Collis

Suffix:

Position: Asst. District Attorney

BAR Number:

PID Number:

Employer: Johnson County - DA

Office Address 1: 204 S. Buffalo Ave., Ste. 209

Office Address 2:

Office City: Cleburne

Office State: TX

Office Zip: 76033-5404

Office Phone:

Office Fax:

Cell Phone:

Office Email:

2023 Prosecutor Trial Skills Course - July

Event Date: 7/9/2023 4:00 PM
End Date: 7/14/2023 12:00 PM

-Full Registration \$350.00

Payment Method: Payment by Check

Prosecutor Trial Skills Course Agenda

Sunday, July 9 (2 hours CLE)

- 4:00 p.m. **Welcome & Course Introduction**
4:15 p.m. **The Ethical Prosecutor**
W. Clay Abbott, TDCAA DWI Resource Prosecutor, Austin
4:30 p.m. **Case Scenario / Group Introductions**
Faculty Directed at Each Table
6:15 p.m. **Adjourn to Opening Reception**
(provided by TDCAA)

Monday, July 10 (6.75 hours CLE)

- 9:00 a.m. **Identifying & Overcoming Cognitive Bias**
Jarvis Parsons, District Attorney, Brazos County
10:30 a.m. **Pre-Trial Issues**
11:30 a.m. **Faculty Discussion:**
How Does Your County Work?
Faculty Directed at Each Table
Noon **Lunch (provided by TDCAA)**
1:00 p.m. **The Evidence Primer**
Chris Gatewood, First Asst. Criminal District Attorney, Smith County
2:15 p.m. **Nuts and Bolts of Jury Selection**
By Ronny Dale Smith, Asst. Criminal District Attorney, Tarrant County
3:45 p.m. **Peremptory Strikes and Batson Challenges**
Glen Fitzmartin, Asst. Criminal District Attorney, Dallas County
4:30 p.m. **Case Scenarios**
Faculty Directed at Each Table
5:30 p.m. **Adjourn**

Tuesday, July 11 (6.25 hours CLE)

- 9:00 a.m. **DWI Caselaw Update**
Jessica Frazier, Asst. Criminal District Attorney, Comal County
10:45 a.m. **Hearings on Motions to Suppress**
Noon **Lunch (provided by TDCAA)**
1:00 p.m. **Case Scenarios**
Faculty Directed at Each Table
2:15 p.m. **Effective Opening Statements**
Allen Otto, Asst. District Attorney, Harris County
3:45 p.m. **Your VAC and You**
Jalayne Robinson, LMSW, TDCAA Victim Services Director
4:15 p.m. **Case Scenarios**
Faculty Directed at Each Table
5:00 p.m. **Adjourn**

Wednesday, July 12 (3 hours CLE)

- 9:00 a.m. **DWI: Presenting the Case**
Mariel Puryear, Asst. County Attorney, Williamson County
10:45 a.m. **Domestic Violence: Presenting the Case**
Kristin Burns, Asst. District Attorney, Brazos County
12:15 p.m. **Adjourn**

Thursday, July 13 (6.5 hours CLE)

- 9:00 a.m. **Punishment Evidence**
Herschel Woods, Asst. Criminal District Attorney, Dallas County
10:15 a.m. **Case Scenarios**
Faculty Directed at Each Table
11:00 a.m. **Probation Revocation Hearings**
Nicole Washington, Asst. District Attorney, Liberty County
Noon **Lunch (provided by TDCAA)**
1:00 p.m. **Plea Negotiation & Plea Bargaining Workshop**
3:15 p.m. **Predicates & Objections**
Erik Nielsen, Asst. District Attorney, Travis County
4:15 p.m. **Case Scenarios**
Faculty Directed at Each Table
5:00 p.m. **Adjourn**

5:00–5:45 p.m. Optional Class C Forum

W. Clay Abbott, TDCAA DWI Resource Attorney, Austin
This session is an opportunity for attendees who practice in justice or municipal courts to discuss current trends and issues they face in their practice. Attendance at this session is optional and no MCLE credit will be provided.

Friday, July 14 (2.75 hours CLE)

- 9:00 a.m. **Cross-Examination and Impeachment**
Lisa Stewart, Asst. District Attorney, Montgomery County
10:30 a.m. **Final Argument**
John Jordan, Asst. District Attorney, Harris County
Noon **Adjourn**

Payment options:

- \$350 Registration** (\$175 Registration fee + \$175 Association fee): For CAs, DAs, CDAs, C&DAs, and their office personnel. The TDCAA fee of \$175 is each participant's share of costs over and above what the grant allows (for example, excess costs of on-site meals and association overhead). In addition, this fee enables TDCAA to lock in discounted hotel rates for participants and entitles them to attend all association functions, including Sunday's reception and lunch on Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday.
- \$175 "Training Only" Registration:** For CAs, DAs, CDAs C&DAs and their office personnel. This fee does not allow an attendee to participate in receptions or lunches but entitles the attendee admittance to all training sessions.
- \$500 Registration:** For everyone else.

Merry Cashion

From: amy Collis
Sent: Wednesday, June 14, 2023 8:19 AM
To: Merry Cashion
Subject: booking is confirmed at Sheraton Austin Hotel at the Capitol

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Begin forwarded message:

On Tuesday, June 13, 2023, 7:02 PM, Sheraton Austin Hotel at the Capitol <customer.service@booking.com> wrote:

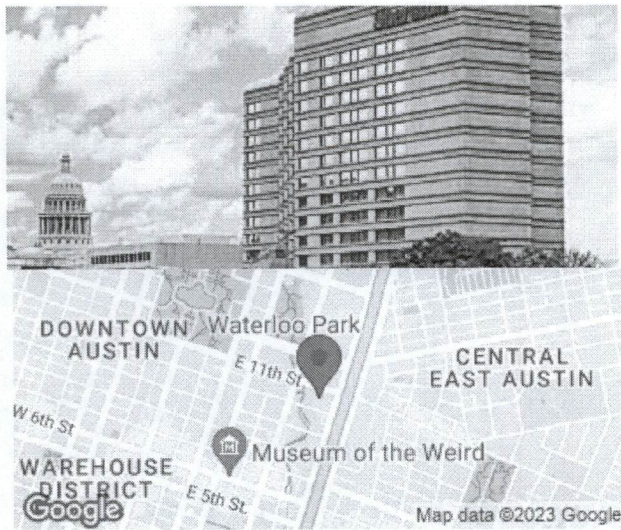
Booking.com

Confirmation: **3069985421**

Thanks, Amy! Your booking in Austin is confirmed.

- ✓ **Sheraton Austin Hotel at the Capitol** is expecting you on **July 9**
- ✓ Your **payment** will be handled by Sheraton Austin Hotel at the Capitol. The "**Payment**" section below has more details
- ✓ [Make changes to your booking or ask the property a question](#) in just a few clicks
- 🔒 Keep your PIN confidential as it can be used to modify or cancel your booking.

Sheraton Austin Hotel at the Capitol



Reservation details

Check-in	Sunday, July 9, 2023 (from 3:00 PM)
Check-out	Friday, July 14, 2023 (until 12:00 PM)
Your reservation	5 nights, 1 room
You booked for	1 adult
Location	701 East 11th Street, Austin, TX 78701, United States of America
Phone	+1 512-478-1111
Contact	Email property
Prepayment	You'll be charged a prepayment of the total price at any time.
Cancellation policy	Note that if canceled, modified, or in case of no-show, the total price of the reservation will be charged.

Cancellation cost

- from June 13, 2023 7:02 PM [CDT]: \$860.11
- This booking is non-refundable. Changing the dates of your stay isn't possible.

Price details

1 Guest room, 2 Double

17 % TAX is included.

US\$ 4.92 government tax per night is included.

Total Price

\$884.71

Guest room, 2 Double

This double room has air conditioning.

Guest name	Amy Collis
Max capacity	4 guests max, with a maximum of 4 adults. Your total price is based on the rate for the number of booked guests (1 adult). Extra prices may apply for additional guests – up to the max capacity.
Meal Plan	Breakfast costs \$20 per person per night. Lunch costs \$20 per person per night. Dinner costs \$20 per person per night.

Special Requests

I am travelling for business and I may be using a business credit card.