

# Travel Approval Form

**Department:** 18th District Court  
**Event Name:** Texas Association for Court Admin. - 48th Annual Education Conf.  
**Location:** Margaritaville Lake Resort - Conroe, TX  
**Event Dates:** 10-29-2024 - 11-1-2024  
**Purpose:**  Required Continuing Education/Certification  
 Job Training  
 Other: \_\_\_\_\_

**Court Decision:**  
This section to be completed by County Judge's Office



June 24, 2024

**Name of Attendees:**  
Megan Braucht \_\_\_\_\_  
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**Required Documents Checklist:**

**\*\* Same-Day Travel - Commissioners Court Approval is not required \*\***

**Overnight Travel**

- Travel Approval Form
- Registration Information or Confirmation
- Itinerary, Agenda, or Breakdown
- Hotel Information, Confirmation, or Hotel Reservation Request Form

**For Out of State Travel, please also include:**

- Cost Estimation Breakdown for Trip with Airfare, Rental Car, Meals, Hotel, Etc.
- Narrative as to why the Out of State Travel is necessary

**Signature of Elected Official/Department Head:** 

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# Texas Association for Court Administration

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About TACA 48th Annual Education Conference

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## 48th Annual Education Conference

Start **10/29/2024**  
1:00 PM

End **11/01/2024**  
10:00 AM

Location Margaritaville Lake  
Resort, 600 Margaritaville  
Park Way, Montgomery,  
TX 77356

### Registration

- Late Non-Member  
Fee - \$450.00
- Late TACA Member  
Fee - \$375.00

### Topics Covered: 2024 TACA Annual Conference Agenda

- Managing the Multigenerational Mix
- Ethics & How to Deal with Difficult People
- Creating a Win-Win Path to Success
- Legislative & OCA Updates
- OCA - Court Security
- Plenaries on various topics!

### Who Should Attend:

- Court Coordinators
- Court Administrators

- **Non-member Fee - \$425.00**
- **TACA Member Fee - \$350.00**

- **Court Managers**
- **Court Secretaries**
- **Judges**
- **Support Staff**

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### **Conference Location:**

Margaritaville Lake Resort - Lake Conroe  
600 Margaritaville Park Way  
Montgomery, TX 77356

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### **Host Hotel Information:**

Margaritaville Lake Resort Lake Conroe  
600 Margaritaville Park Way  
Montgomery, TX 77356  
936-448-4400

**\*\*Please see below regarding room information.**

Reserve your room by September 26, 2024, to secure the TACA rate. Call the reservation department at 936-448-4400 and notify them you are with the Texas Association for Court Administration.

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### **Cancellation Policy:**

I. A full refund of fees paid will be authorized when a written request for cancellation of conference or program is received by the TACA Secretariat at least 31 days prior to the scheduled start of the program.

II. A refund of 70% of the fees paid will be authorized when a written request for cancellation of conference or program is received by the TACA Secretariat more than 5 days but less than 31 days prior to the scheduled start of the program.

III. A refund of 30% of the fees paid will be authorized when a written request for cancellation of conference or program is received by the TACA Secretariat less than 5 days prior to the scheduled start of the program.

Texas Association for Court Administration  
 48<sup>th</sup> Annual Education Conference  
 October 29 - November 1, 2024  
 Theme: Chartering the Path to Success

**Tuesday, October 29, 2024**

Time	Event	Speaker	Room	Person to contact Speaker
11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.	Registration			
1:00 p.m. – 1:15 p.m.	<b>Welcome Opening Remarks Presentation of Colors</b>	Judge Robert Trapp		
1:15 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.	General Session <b>Managing the Multigenerational Mix</b>	Mark Taylor		
3:15 p.m. – 4:45 p.m.	General Session <b>Ethics &amp; How to Deal with Difficult People</b>	Judge Kathleen Hamilton		

**Wednesday, October 30, 2024**

Time	Event	Speaker	Room	Person to contact Speaker
7:30 a.m.	Registration			
8:30 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.	General Session <b>Creating a Win-Win Path to Success</b>	Nancy Baird		
10:15 a.m. -11:45 a.m.	General Session <b>Legislative &amp; OCA Updates</b>	Megan Lavoie		
11:45 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.	<b>Luncheon</b> Introduction of Candidates Presentation of Certificates			
1:00 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.	General Session	<i>TBD</i>		
2:45 p.m. – 4:15 p.m.	Workshop Round I			
	<b>Misdemeanors</b>	<b>Judge John Hafley</b>		
	<b>Veterans Court-Empowering Veterans, Changing Lives: Insights from the VALOR Program</b>	Judge John Roach		
	<b>AJ Duties-Criminal Dockets</b>	Judge Virgil B. Walker		
	<i>TBD</i>	<i>TBD</i>		

Thursday, October 31, 2024

Time	Event	Speaker	Room
7:30 a.m.	Registration		
8:30 a.m.–10:00 a.m.	Workshop Round I		
	<b>Topic Criminal</b>	Dean Stanzione	
	<b>Texas Advocacy Project-Understanding Protective Orders in Texas</b>	Amanda Elkanick Oder & Micala Clark	
	<b>Child Protective Services</b>	Judge Amy Tucker	
	<i>TBD</i>	<i>TBD</i>	
10:15 a.m.–11:45 a.m.	Workshop Round II		
	<b>OCA-Language Accessibility</b>	Leonardo Perales	
	<b>Probate</b>	Judge Claudia Laird	
	<b>Specialty Court - PEARLS</b>	Judge Rosie Alvarado	
	<b>Topic Criminal</b>	Dean Stanzione	
11:45 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.	LUNCH		
1:00 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.	Workshop Round I		
	<b>Mental Health Dockets</b>	Ft. Bend County ADA Donna Mahmoudi	
	<b>Road to Retirement</b>	Richard Ashcraft	
	<b>Human Trafficking</b>	Harris County ADA Janna Oswald / ADA Lucas Baty	
	<b>Texas Rule 145</b>	Wayne Yang	
2:45 p.m. – 4:15 p.m.	Workshop Round II		
	<b>Road to Retirement</b>	Richard Ashcraft	
	<b>A Week in the Life of a Civil Court</b>	Judge Kristin Bays	
	<b>Juvenile Timelines &amp; Deadlines</b>	Judge Scharlene W. Valdez	
	<b>Dealing with Difficult People &amp; Difficult Issues</b>	Judge Clifford Brown	
4:15 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.	<b>TACA Business Meeting</b>		
6:30 p.m. – 8:30 pm	Halloween Costume Party		

**Friday, November 1, 2024**

Time	Event	Speaker	Room		
8:30 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.	General Session- <b>OCA - Court Security</b>	Hector Gomez			
10:15 a.m.	<b>Conference Group Picture &amp; Conference Adjourns</b>				



**SUCCESS! YOUR ROOM IS BOOKED.**

Check MTFROST81@GMAIL.COM to view your confirmation email.

Thanks, MEGAN! Your itinerary number is 23717B7920496

**ROOM 1 CONFIRMATION #: 10649SE929522**

**Confirmed**

Thank you for choosing our property. We look forward to your arrival.

## Room Details

**Margaritaville Lake Resort Lake Conroe**

600 Margaritaville Pkwy  
Montgomery, Texas 77356  
1-936-448-4400

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