

Travel Approval Form

Department: District Clerk

Event Name: 26th Annual GCAT Collections
Conference

Location: San Antonio, Texas

Event Dates: 9/22/2025-9/25/2025

Purpose: ☐ Required Continuing Education/Certification
☒ Job Training
☐ Other: _____

Name of Attendees:

Bonnie Lain Alison Farquhar

Court Decision: This section to be completed by County Judge's Office
 5-27-25

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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Tuesday, September 23rd, 2025 – thru- Thursday, September 25th, 2025

Educational Information about Texas Laws changing as government expands,
Liberty and Justice and Collecting Fees
Conference Registration Form

Deadline Date August 1, 2025

X \$195.00 Member Fee _____ \$250.00 Non-Member Fee _____ \$ 600.00 Vendor Fee

Name: Bonnie Iain Government Entity: Johnson County District Clerk

Address: 204 S. Buffalo City: Cleburne State: Tx Zip: 76033

Office Telephone: 817-556-6839 Email Address: blain@jocotx.org

T-shirt size: Adult L late fees for Registration \$25.00 must be paid before attending conference.

Make Checks payable to GCAT PO Box 171, Bryan, Texas 77806. For more Information please go to www.govcat.net call a board member or Tanya Skinner at (979)-361-4297 also her email is tskinner@brazoscountytexas.gov , **No Credit Cards** will be accepted only Cash or Checks Only.



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Name: Alison Farquhar Government Entity: Johnson County District Clerk

Address: 204 S. Buffalo City: Gleburne State: Tx Zip: 76033

Office Telephone: 817-556-6839 Email Address: afarquhar@jocotx.org

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**26TH ANNUAL GCAT CONFERENCE
DRURY PLAZA
RIVERWALK
SEPTEMBER 22,23,24,25,2025**

**THE SILVER LINING TO
COLLECTION**

Monday, September 22,2025

GCAT Board of Directors annual meeting 6:00 pm

Tuesday, September 23 ,2025 Topic for Classes Rooms for meetings

8:30 am- 11:00a.m.	Registration	Hotel Lobby	
1:00p.m.	President Opening Remakes	San Antonio I	
1:00p.m.-1:15 p.m.	Annual General Membership Meeting		
1:30p.m.-3:00 p.m.	Motivational Speaker Speaker: Brandi Ray	San Antonio 1	1.5
3:00 p.m.-3:30 p.m.	Afternoon Break		
3:30 p.m. -4:30 p.m.	Legislative Updates 2025/2026 Jim Lehman	San Antonio 1	1.0
Enjoy your evening			

Wednesday, September 24,2025 **Breakout Day**

8:30 a.m.	Morning Welcoming		
8:30 a.m.- 9:30 a.m.	Determining Indigence Judge Mark Hocker, Lubbock CCL# 1	San Antonio 1	1.0
9:30 a.m.-10:00 a.m.	Morning Break		
10:00 a.m.-11:45a.m.	City Presentation/Legislative updates Ed Splaine College Station	San Antonio 1	1.75
10:00 a.m-11:45a.m.	County & District Collections Ideas Speaker:	San Antonio	
12:00 p.m.-1:45 p.m.	Luncheon & Awards		
2:00 p.m.- 3:30 p.m.	Ethic for Court Personal Judge Laura Weiser **needs room night before**	San Antonio II	1.5
3:30 p.m.-4:00 p.m.	Afternoon Break		

4:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m.	New Collectors 2 Years and Less Speaker:	San Antonio II	1.0
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4:00 p.m.-5:00p.m.	Seasoned Collectors New Ideas, New Techniques Speaker:	San Antonio I	1.0
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Thursday, September 25,2025

Classrooms for Meetings

8:30 a.m.-9:30 a.m.	Topic? Speaker: Thea Whalen	San Antonio 1	1.0
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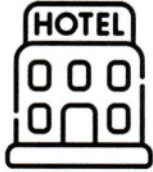
9:30-a.m.-9:45 a.m.	Morning Break (15 minutes Beverages Only)		
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9:45 a.m.-11:00 a.m.	How to Flag a License & Why you would Flag And Why Would You NOT Flag a License Speaker:	San Antonio 1	1.25
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11:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.	TDCJ Collections/ Restitution Collections Speaker:	San Antonio 1	1.0
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12:00 p.m.	Closing Statements		
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Total hours for credit 11 total credited hours.



TRAVEL HOTEL RESERVATION REQUEST

(EMAIL TO PURCHASING at pur@johnsoncountytexas.org)

DATE: 05/19/2025

DEPARTMENT: District Clerk

PERSON SENDING REQUEST: Kaylee Hill EXT: 1145

Person (s) Name Attending:

*If LEOSE Funds are being used to pay for the room upon check out, please check LEOSE FUNDS below:

☐ LEOSE FUNDS

1. Bonnie Lain

2. Alison Farquhar

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Function Attending: 26th Annual GCAT Conference

Hotel Name: Drury Plaza San Antonio Riverwalk

Hotel Address: 105 South St. Mary's Street

City: San Antonio

State: Texas

Zip: 78205

Hotel Phone# 210-270-7799

Special Requirements:

Conference Hotel Block Code: 10126099

Conference/Training Website: <https://gcatexas.org/events.asp>

How many rooms needed: 2

Date of Check In: 9/22/25

Date of Check Out: 9/25/25

NOTE: When the Purchasing Department reserves the hotel room, payment will be processed and paid for on the travel credit card. **ALL Travel PO's MUST be in place prior to travel.** The hotel receipt will need to be receipted on your PO upon return. If the traveler does not obtain a hotel receipt upon check out, it's the travelers responsibility to call the hotel and obtain a copy for receipting.