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30th ANNUAL TEXAS ENVIRONMENTAL SUPERCONFERENCE

“A Texas State of Mind”

**Thursday-Friday, August 2-3, 2018
Four Seasons Hotel**

Thursday, August 2, 2018

8:00 – 8:35 REGISTRATION/CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST – *“Armadillo World Headquarters”*

8:35 – 9:00 OPENING REMARKS – *“Waltz Across Texas”*

Jeff Civins, Texas Environmental Superconference
Rebecca Skiba, Environmental and Natural Resources Law Section, State Bar of Texas
Kevin Smith, Air & Waste Management Association, Southwest Section
Julie Nahrgang, Water Environment Association of Texas
Mike McClellan, Texas Association of Environmental Professionals
Michael Byington, The Environmental Health and Safety Audit Center of the IIA
Danny Worrell, ABA Section of Environment, Energy & Resources
Bruce Fogerty, EARTHx



Moderator: Peter Gregg, DuBois, Bryant & Campbell L.L.P.

9:00 – 9:30 ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION UNDER THE TRUMP ADMINISTRATION
“Talking Turkey”

Andrew R. Wheeler, Deputy Administrator, EPA DC

9:30 – 10:15 SB 709 and Contested Case Hearings – *“If you’re going to play in Texas”*

Lisa Dyar, Winstead PC
Booker Harrison, TCEQ

10:15 – 10:30 BREAK – *sponsored by Golder Associates*



Moderator: Danny Worrell, Katten Muchin Rosenman LLP

10:30 – 11:00 AIR QUALITY – *“The Skies of Texas”*

William Wehrum, Assistant Administrator for Air and Radiation, EPA DC

11:00 – 12:00 AIR QUALITY PANEL – *“The Bluest Skies in Texas”*

Megan Berge, Baker Botts
Terry Salem, TCEQ

Ilan Levin, Environmental Integrity Project

12:00 – 1:15 LUNCH – *sponsored by ERM*



Moderator: Laura Whiting, Foley Gardere

1:15 – 1:45 HOT ISSUES – “*All the Way to Texas*”

Matthew Leopold, General Counsel, EPA DC

1:45 – 2:30 EPA – TCEQ – “*Don’t Fence Me In*”

Anne Idsal, Regional Administrator, EPA Region 6
Bryan Shaw, Chair, TCEQ

2:30 – 3:15 CLIMATE CHANGE – “*Galveston O’ Galveston*”

Allison Wood, Hunton Andrews Kurth LLP
Matt Morrison, Pillsbury Winthrop Shaw Pittman LLP

3:15 – 3:30 BREAK – *sponsored by Geosyntec*



Moderator: Shelly Doggett, Office of the Texas Attorney General

3:30 – 4:30 INVERSE CONDEMNATION/TAKINGS – “*Come and Take It*”

Ken Cross, Office of the Texas Attorney General
Drew Miller, Kemp Smith
Jose E. de la Fuente, Lloyd Gosselink Rochelle & Townsend, P.C.

4:30 – 5:15 EMERGING CONTAMINANTS – “*Whiskey River*”

Sarah Wightman, Marten Law
Janet Anderson, Integral Consulting

5:15 – 6:00 RECEPTION – “*Big Bend*” -- *sponsored by Ensaf*

Friday, August 3, 2018

8:00 – 8:30 CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST – *“Armadillo by Morning”*

8:30 – 10:00 30 YEARS OF ENVIRONMENTAL REGULATION – 1988-2018
“Remember the Alamo”

A discussion of substantive and administrative changes and predictions for the future



Moderator: Cindy Smiley, Smiley Law Firm

John Cruden, Beveridge & Diamond, PC

Pam Giblin, Climate Leadership Council

Kinnan Golemon, KG Strategies, LLC

Jim Blackburn, Professor in the Practice of Environmental Law, Rice University

Paul Seals, Guida, Slavich & Flores, P.C.

10:00 – 10:15 BREAK – *sponsored by Ramboll*



Moderator: Cindy Bishop, C Bishop Law PC

10:15 – 10:45 VOLKSWAGEN’S ERRORS OF EMISSION—GETTING BACK ON THE ROAD
“Texas in My Rear View Mirror”

Joshua Roseman, Jones Day

10:45 – 11:45 ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES IN THE OIL PATCH – *“Texas Tea”*

Taylor Holcomb, Vinson & Elkins

Mary Mendoza, Haynes and Boone, LLP

Sue Snyder, COO, Enviro Water Minerals Company

11:45 – 1:00 LUNCH -- *co-sponsored by Terracon and Exponent*

1:00 – 1:15 SBOT ENRLS Meeting – *“Keep Austin Weird”*



Moderator: Phillip Goodwin, Assistant City Attorney, City of Houston

1:15 – 1:45 CASE LAW UPDATE – *“Best Little Court House in Texas”*

Tobias Smith, Clark Hill Strasburger

1:45 – 2:15 SUPERFUND UPDATE – *“Back to the Basics of Love (Canal)”*

Steven Cook, Deputy Assistant Administrator, Office of Land and Emergency Management, EPA DC

2:15 – 3:30 ETHICS – *“Does Ethics Ever Cross Your Mind”*

Consultant-Attorney Interface -- Debra Baker, Baker • Wotring LLP

Transactional Ethics Concerns -- Tim Wilkins, Bracewell

Corporate Social Responsibility –David Lear, Executive Director of Sustainability, Dell Inc.

The Mickey Leland Internship Program – Giving Forward -- Debra Mamula,

Senior Policy Advisor, Office of the Lt. Governor and

Ramiro Garcia, Deputy Director, Office of Compliance and Enforcement, TCEQ

3:30 ADJOURN—*“On the Road Again”*

SUNDAES--*sponsored by LCA Environmental*

Wednesday Program, August 1, 2018

THE ENVIRONMENTAL FORECAST FOR POST-HARVEY TEXAS

“Deep In The Heart of Texas”

Sponsored by Langan

6:00 -- 6:05 PM OPENING REMARKS

Carolyn Ahrens, Booth, Ahrens & Werkenthin

6:05 – 6:30 PM HURRICANE HARVEY: A LOOK BACK

Jeff Lindner, Harris County Flood Control District

6:30 --7:15 PM PANEL ONE: WEATHERING THE STORM
MANAGING IMMEDIATE ENVIRONMENTAL RISKS

Moderator: Phillip Goodwin, Assistant City Attorney, City of Houston

A PORT IN THE STORM

Sarah Garza, Director of Environmental Planning & Compliance, Port of Corpus Christi Authority

STATE OVERSIGHT DURING DISASTER EVENTS

Kelly Keel Linden, Coastal and East Texas Area Director, TCEQ

DISRUPTION AT SUPERFUND AND RCRA FACILITIES –

Constance Westfall, Clark Hill Strasburger

7:15-- 8:00 PM PANEL TWO: THE WINDS OF CHANGE —
NAVIGATING THE NEW NORMAL

Moderator: Lydia González Gromatzky, Hunton Andrews Kurth LLP

CHARTING THE PATH FORWARD TO RESILIENCY

Kim Mickelson, Senior Assistant City Attorney for the City of Houston

RISK MANAGEMENT AND INSURABILITY AFTER HARVEY –

Mark Lawless, McGuireWoods LLP

BEST PRACTICES FOR FACILITY PREPAREDNESS AND RISK
MITIGATION

Anthony B. Cavender, Pillsbury Winthrop Shaw Pittman LLP

Information

CLE: The Superconference has been approved for Minimum Continuing Legal Education credit by the State Bar of Texas Committee on MCLE in the amount of 11.75 credit hours, of which 1.5 credit hours will apply to legal ethics/professional responsibility credit. The CLE # for the 30th Annual Texas Environmental Superconference is 174018042. The Wednesday evening program has been approved for 2 credit hours; its CLE # is 174018052. Both programs have also been certified by the Texas Board of Legal Specialization for continuing legal education requirements for attorneys and legal assistants in the following specialty fields: Administrative Law; Civil Trial Law; Civil Appellate Law; Oil, Gas and Mineral Law; and Real Estate.

PARKING: Conference attendees receive a discounted self-parking rate of \$16/day in the Four Seasons Hotel garage, but parking is very limited. Information on parking alternatives can be found at <http://www.texenrls.org>. Overnight parking for hotel guests is an additional charge.

DRESS: Casual (It's Austin!)

HOTEL: A limited block of rooms has been reserved at the Four Seasons Hotel at a special group rate of \$249/night for a city view or \$289/night for lake view. Rates are effective through the weekend. Reservations must be made no later than July 11, 2018; the deadline for changing and cancelling reservations without penalty is July 25. In past years the room block has sold out well in advance of the deadline for registering. Once the room block is filled, the rate will be higher. For reservations and to request these special rates, please contact the hotel directly by phone at 512.685.8100 or online at www.fourseasons.com, using as a code: Group Name: Texas Environmental Superconference 2018 Block Rate Code: 180731TEX

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Payment may be made by credit card online or by check, payable to State Bar of Texas – Texas Environmental Superconference. If paying by check, you must first register online and select “pay by check” option and follow the directions on the website for mailing in a payment.

Check payments must be received by July 13, 2018 or your registration will be cancelled.

All online registrants will receive a confirmation email. Please bring the confirmation email with you to the conference. If you do not receive an email within 24 hours of online registration, please contact Superconference as you may not be registered.

REGISTRATION DEADLINE: Register early! Don’t be left out! Registration is limited to 500 attendees and is on a first come first served basis. Registration received after July 13, 2018, if still open, will be an additional \$35.00

CANCELLATION POLICY: Registrants will receive a full refund if cancellation notice is received by July 13, 2018. After this date, a \$150 cancellation fee will be assessed. Cancellations after July 24, 2018 will not receive a refund, but you may substitute an attendee by notifying Superconference prior to August 1, 2018.

REGISTRATION OPTIONS:

All Registrants will receive meals, as noted on program, and an electronic version of the course materials. Registrants may opt for printed materials as well – at an extra charge of \$75.00.

Non-Government without printed course materials \$ 530.00

Government without printed course materials \$ 220.00

Full time Student without printed course materials \$ 135.00

For those not attending but who wish to purchase course materials, course materials can be purchased for \$ 175.00.

If you have any questions, please contact:

The Superconference at 512.867.8507 or superconference@haynesboone.com

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