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THURSDAY AUGUST 3, 2023

7:30 am to 8:15 am CHECK IN/CONTINENTAL SHELF BREAKFAST

Ebb and Flow

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8:20 am to 8:45 am **OPENING REMARKS**

From Sea to Shining Sea

Jeff Civins, *Chair*, Texas Environmental Superconference

Bruce Fogarty, EarthX

Sally Mills Perry, Chair, Air & Waste Management Association, Southwest Section

Julie Nahrgang, Executive Director, Water Environment

Association of Texas

Danny G. Worrell, ABA Section of Environment, Energy & Resources

Peter Wahl, Chair, Environmental & Natural Resources Law

Section, State Bar of Texas

[Sample Skit]

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MODERATOR: Carolyn Ahrens, Of Counsel, Booth & Associates, P.C.

8:45 am to 9:15 am

CASE LAW UPDATE

Deep Sea Dive

Jason A. Hill, Counsel, Hunton Andrews Kurth LLP

9:15 am to 10:15 am

NEW WATER FOR TEXAS

Water Water Anywhere

Debra Tsuchiyama Baker, Managing Partner, Baker Wotring LLP

L'Oréal Stepney, P.E., Board Member, Texas Water Development

Board

Sarah Kirkle, Director of Policy and Legislative Affairs, Texas Water

Conservation Association

10:15 am to 10:30 am

BREAK

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[Skit 1]

10:30 am to 11:30 am

AIR QUALITY/CLIMATE CHANGE

Red Sky at Morning

Jacob Gallegos, Senior Assistant Regional Counsel, EPA Region 6

Aaron H. Vargas, Assistant Regional Counsel, Multimedia Counseling

Division, EPA Region 6

Harrison Reback, Senior Associate, Baker Botts L.L.P.

Paul Ruiz, Director, Energy and Environmental Policy, American

Trucking Associations

11:30 am to 12:00 am

TCEQ TOXICOLOGIST

A Red Tide

Sabine Lange, Ph.D., DABT, Chief Toxicologist, TCEQ

[Skit 2]

12:00 pm to 1:15 am

LUNCH

Jimmy Buffet

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[Skit 3]

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	MODERATOR: Phillip Goodwin, <i>Director</i> , Houston Water Regulatory Compliance Branch
1:15 pm to 1:45 pm	LEGISLATION/SUNSET REVIEW Swimming in Red Tape
	Tina O'Jibway, Legislative Director and General Counsel, State Senator Robert Nichols
1:45 pm to 2:30 pm	EPA & TCEQ Amper Sand
	Stacey B. Dwyer, Deputy Regional Administrator, EPA Region 6
	Erin E. Chancellor, Director, Office of Legal Services, TCEQ
2:30 pm to 3:30 pm	CONTESTED CASE HEARING UPDATE Sink or Swim
	Marisa Perales, Partner, Perales, Allmon & Ice, P.C.
	Jamie L. Mauldin, Principal, Lloyd Gosselink Rochelle & Townsend
	Hon. Linda Horng Brite, <i>Administrative Law Judge</i> , State Office of Administrative Hearings
3:30 pm to 3:45 pm	BREAK Sponsored by Edge Engineering and Science, LLC
	[Skit 4]
3:45 pm to 4:15 pm	THE ROLE OF ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE IN PERMITTING AND ENFORCEMENT Turning the Tide
	Cheryl T. Seager, Director, Enforcement and Compliance Assurance Division, EPA Region 6
	Anne Idsal Austin, Partner, Pillsbury Winthrop Shaw Pittman LLP
4:15 pm to 5:00 pm	FALLOUT FROM THE OHIO TRAIN DERAILMENT Weathering the Storm
	Steven Cook, Of Counsel, Bracewell LLP
	Devin Sprinkle, AVP Environment, Hazardous Materials & Climate Change, Association of American Railroads
5:00 pm to 5:05 pm	CLOSING REMARKS All Ashore

[Skit 5]

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5:05 pm to 6:00 pm RECEPTION

Margaritaville

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CONTINENTAL SHELF BREAKFAST 7:30 am to 8:15 am

Bay Gulls

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8:15 am to 8:30 am **OPENING REMARKS**

Wading In

Jeff Civins, *Chair*, Texas Environmental Superconference

WELCOME

Riding the Wave

Kirk Watson, Mayor, City of Austin

[Announcement: Beach Movie Quiz Answers]

[Skit 6]

MODERATOR: Pam Giblin, *Senior Policy Advisor*, Climate Leadership

Council

8:30 am to 9:30 am **NATURAL RESOURCE DAMAGES**

A Seal of Approval

Scottie Aplin, Staff Attorney, Texas General Land Office

Jeffrey R. Wakefield Ph. D., Director of Economics, SWCA

Bill Jackson, Partner, Kelley Drye & Warren LLP

9:30 am to 10:15 am **ENERGY OVERVIEW**

A Rising Tide Raises All Ships

Dr. Scott W. Tinker, Director, Bureau of Economic Geology

10:15 am to 10:30 am **BREAK**

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[Skit 7]

10:30am to 12:00 pm **PATHWAYS TO NET ZERO**

Heat Wave

NUCLEAR

Martin O'Neill – Associate General Counsel, Nuclear Energy

Institute

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GEOTHERMAL

Dr. Kenneth Wisian, Associate Director -Environmental Division, Bureau of Economic Geology, The University of Austin Texas

CCS AND DIRECT CARBON CAPTURE

James "Jim" Dolphin, Partner, Kirkland & Ellis LLP

RENEWABLES--WIND AND SOLAR

Christine Fernandez Owen, *Partner*, Norton Rose Fulbright US LLP

HYDROGEN

Michael C. Lewis, *Senior Engineering Scientist*, Center for Electromechanics, The University of Austin Texas [Skit 8]

12:00 pm to 1:00 pm

LUNCH

"See" Food

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1:00 pm to 1:15 pm

TENRLS MEETING

Tidal Reports

MODERATOR: Cindy Bishop, President, C Bishop Law, PC

1:15 pm to 2:15 pm

DEVELOPING AND PRESENTING TECHNICAL EVIDENCE

For All Practical Porpoises

Rudy Johnson, Ph.D., Principal, Forense LLC

Adam Sencenbaugh, *Partner*, Haynes and Boone LLP

Craig R. Bennett, Partner, Jackson Walker LLP

2:15 pm to 3:15 pm

ETHICS

Between the Devil and the Deep Blue Sea

Michael S. Truesdale, Counsel, Enoch Kever PLLC

F. Witcher McCullough, Attorney-Mediator & Arbitrator

Patricia Peterson, *Vice President of Claims & Risk Management*, Texas Lawyers' Insurance Exchange (TLIE)

3:15 pm-3:20 pm

CLOSING REMARKS

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[Announcement: Skits Quiz Answers]

ICE CREAM SUNDAES

An Ice Breaker

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Wednesday ● August 2, 2023 Four Seasons Hotel ● Austin, Texas

WHITE COLLAR ENVIRONMENTAL CRIME "Sharks in the Water"

WEDNESDAY AUGUST 2, 2023

3:45 pm to 4:25 pm **CHECK IN**

4:25 pm to 4:30 pm Welcome: Mary Simmons Mendoza, Vice Chair, Texas Environmental

Superconference

4:30pm to 5:00 PM **Opening Remarks and Overview of Criminal Enforcement in**

Environmental Law:

John Cruden, Principal, Beveridge Diamond PC

MODERATOR: John Cruden, *Principal*, Beveridge Diamond PC

5:00pm to 6:30 PM Current Developments in Criminal Enforcement of Environmental Law

Topics to be discussed include current DOJ policies regarding corporate criminal defendants, managing parallel criminal and civil proceedings, representing the company or the employee – identifying the client, and protecting privilege issues in the aftermath of an investigation.

Nadira Clarke, Partner, Baker Botts, L.L.P.

Kevin D. Collins, Partner, Bracewell LLP

Jim Noble, Assistant US Attorney, Eastern District of Texas

Kristena Glenn, Assistant District Attorney, Harris County District Attorney's Office

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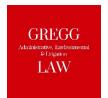








































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REGISTRATION: Registration is online only and is at https://www.texenrls.org/. Pricing and cancellation policy is online.

CLE:

Wednesday's Program: This course has been approved for Minimum Continuing Legal Education credit by the State Bar of Texas Committee on MCLE in the amount of 2.00 hours of CLE credit, all of which can be applied to the legal ethics/professional responsibility requirement. It also has been approved by the Texas Board of Legal Specialization for 2.00 hours for the following specialty fields: Administrative Law; Civil Trial Law; Civil Appellate Law; Oil, Gas and Mineral Law; and Real Estate Law.

Thursday and Friday's Programs: This course has been approved for Minimum Continuing Legal Education credit by the State Bar of Texas Committee on MCLE in the amount of 11.75 hours of CLE credit, of which 1.00 hour can be applied to the ethics requirement. It also has been approved by the Texas Board of Legal Specialization for 11.75 hours for the following specialty fields: Administrative Law; Civil Trial Law; Civil Appellate Law; Oil, Gas and Mineral Law; and Real Estate Law.

COURSE MATERIALS: Course materials are online. The online materials may be downloaded one week prior to the conference at the section's website, https://www.texenrls.org/superconference-materials/. A QR code of the website link is printed on your Superconference folder, scan for direct link to the materials.

PARKING: Conference attendees receive a discounted self-parking rate of \$ 20/day in the Four Seasons Hotel garage, but parking is very limited. Daily Valet Parking is \$22 and Overnight Parking is \$50. Information on parking alternatives can be found at www.texenrls.org. Overnight parking for hotel guests is an additional charge.

DRESS: Casual (It's Austin! It's summer! Given our beach theme, feel free to wear your favorite Hawaiian shirt.)

HOTEL: We've arranged a limited hotel block with discounted rates at the FOUR SEASONS HOTEL: 98 San Jacinto Blvd., Austin, Texas 78701. To book a room, please contact the Four Seasons—by phone (512-478-4500) or online www.fourseasons.com. Discounted rates for our hotel block are: City View – \$315/night and Lake View – \$365/night.

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QUESTIONS

If you have any questions, please contact: The Superconference at Superconference@haynesboone.com. For further information concerning the Environmental and Natural Resources Law Section of the State Bar of Texas, please visit: www.texenrls.org.