



50 YEARS OF EXCELLENCE IN TEXAS COURT ADMINISTRATION

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 13

11:00–1:00pm Registration

Lobby

1:00–1:30pm **Opening Remarks**
Posting of Colors
Welcome

Grand Ballroom A

Tricia Austin, TACA Chair
Travis County Constables PCT 2–Benjamin Coe
Mayor Kirk Watson

1:30–3:00pm **GENERAL SESSION**

Grand Ballroom A

Excellence in Leadership: Driving Performance in Court Administration and Coordination
Brian Brown

3:00–3:15pm Break

3:15–4:45pm **GENERAL SESSION**

Grand Ballroom A

The Four C's of Court Administration:
Change, Culture, Communication, and Collaboration
Dean Stanzione

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 14

7:30am Registration

8:30–10:00am **GENERAL SESSION**

Grand Ballroom A

Past, Present, and Future:
50 Years of Excellence in Court Administration
David Slayton

10:00–10:15am Break

10:15–11:45am **GENERAL SESSION**

Grand Ballroom A

Ethics
Judge Lora Livingston

11:45am–1:00pm	TACA Business Luncheon Introduction of Candidates Presentation of Certificates Raffle Drawings to Follow Business Meeting	Grand Ballroom B
1:00–2:30pm	GENERAL SESSION Texas Legislative & Rule Updates Impacting Courts Megan Lavoie	Grand Ballroom A
2:30–2:45pm	Break	
2:45–4:15pm	WORKSHOP ROUND I	
	Civil Procedures Judge Randy Johnson & Katie Chancia	San Marcos
	Road to Retirement Melissa Lopez Garcia	San Antonio
	Odyssey Lab Heather Bishop & Nathan Armentrout	Trinity A&B
	OCA Reporting/Timelines Alejandra Pena & Sammy Smith	Sabine

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 15

8:30–10:00am	WORKSHOP ROUND I	
	Effective Communication for Court Professionals Judge Clifford Brown	Trinity A
	Criminal Misdemeanor Judge Cody Henson, Raegan Allen & Jayme Ingram	San Antonio
	Juvenile Judge Jacqueline Herr Valdes	San Marcos
	CPS Judge Melissa DeGerolami & Virginia Rocamontes-Luce	Sabine
10:00–10:15am	Break	
10:15–11:45am	WORKSHOP ROUND II	
	Criminal Felony Judge Catherine Torres- Stahl	Sabine
	Handling Challenging Communications Judge Brandy Mueller	San Antonio

Specialty Courts Panel*Trinity*

Judge Jackie Valdes, Erin Morgan, Judge Aurora Martinez Jones, Brent Dorrough, Judge Lela Lawrence Mays & Angella Powers

Probate Guardianship*San Marcos*

Judge Christopher Everett & Kaitlyn Phillips

11:45–1:00pm **Awards Luncheon**
Introduction of 2025–2026 Board
Committee Awards/Other Awards

Grand Ballroom B

1:00–2:30pm **WORKSHOP ROUND I**

Rural Courts Panel:*San Marcos***Managing Volume, Complexity, and Coordination**

Judge Cody Henson, Jennifer Bunting & Sunni Tilson

Urban Courts/Criminal Panel:*Grand Ballroom A***Managing Volume, Complexity, and Coordination**

Judge Ron Rangel, Tricia Austin, Dana Winston & Neva Gonzalez

Urban Courts/Civil Panel:*Trinity***Managing Volume, Complexity, and Coordination**

Judge Inna Klein & Rey Garcia

Urban Courts/Family Panel:*San Antonio***Managing Volume, Complexity, and Coordination**

Judge LaTosha McGill Clayton, Angella Powers & Jeanandria Beard

2:30–2:45pm Break

2:45–4:15pm **WORKSHOP ROUND II**

Indigent Defense*Sabine*

Kenitra Brown & Joel Lieurance

OCA-Enhancing Language Access in Texas Courts*San Marcos*

Leonardo Perales

Human Trafficking*Trinity A*

Kirsta Melton

Civil/Family*San Antonio*

Judge Patricia Y. O’Caña-Olivarez

4:15–5:30pm **TACA Business Meeting**

Grand Ballroom B

6:30–11:00pm **50th TACA Anniversary Gala**
Advance RSVP or Ticket Required

Grand Ballroom A

6:30pm **Pre-Reception (Cocktails)**

7:00pm **Dinner**

8:00pm **Entertainment**

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 16

7:30–8:30am **Bon Voyage Breakfast**

Grand Ballroom A

8:30–10:00am **GENERAL SESSION**
S.T.O.P - Safety Training for Office Personnel:
Departmental Awareness
Leo Perez

Grand Ballroom A

10:00am **TACA Group Picture /Conference Adjourns**

