



The Paralegal Division of the State Bar of Texas



Texas Advanced Paralegal Seminar

A Three Day Multi-Track CLE

September 22, 2021 – September 24, 2021

The Omni Colonnade – San Antonio, TX

REGISTRATION

(Registration is **ONLY** available online [HERE](#))

Three-Day Registration

- Admission to all CLE programs, socials and attendee luncheon
- Seminar materials downloaded prior to event and available on TAPS App
- Admission to the Thursday Exhibit Hall featuring legal products and services
- Complimentary Continental Breakfast on Thursday and Friday
- Complimentary ticket to the Friday Annual Meeting Luncheon
- Complimentary ticket to the Wednesday Welcome Social and Thursday Networking Social

One-Day Registration

- Admission to one day of CLE (Wednesday/Thursday socials and Friday Luncheon are an additional fee)
- Seminar materials downloaded prior to event and available on TAPS App

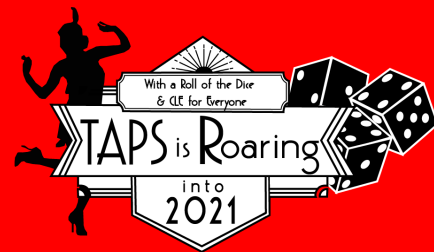
HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS

The Omni at the Colonnade is located at 9821 Colonnade Boulevard, San Antonio, TX. The hotel reservation deadline is August 30, 2021. Reservations must be booked and cancelled through The Omni. Guest room rate is \$135.00 for single/double. All guest rooms are listed under TAPS 2021. To reserve a guest room, either [register online](#), or call 1-800-843-6664 and reference the group code TAPS 2021. Note: If the desired room you are reserving is not available online, please call 1-800-843-6664. The hotel offers free Self-Parking and Valet at \$15.00 per day.

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SOCIALS

The Excitement of TAPS is just getting started with “MAKE A BET ON YOUR VENDORS” on Wednesday night at the Omni. There will be networking with our wonderful vendors. Enjoy the cocktail hour (cash bar) with drinks and snacks while you visit. TAPS is just beginning; we still have plenty of time for more CLE and fun!



On Thursday “BE A HIGH ROLLER AT THE TAPS CASINO.... CELEBRATING 40 YEARS”. Enjoy a high stakes evening of socializing with your TAPS friends, dinner and entertainment by Gerald’s Casino! You will also have the opportunity to visit one on one with your TAPS High Roller [Sponsoring Vendors](#). This will be a fun filled evening and celebration of the Paralegal Division’s 40th Year!



Keynote Speaker

KEY NOTE SPEAKER

Justice Beth Watkins



Justice Watkins was elected to Place 2 on the Fourth Court of Appeals in 2018. Before joining the Court, she represented clients in more than 200 appeals to state and federal appellate courts, including the United States Supreme Court, the Texas Supreme Court, the United States Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit, and most intermediate appellate courts in Texas. Justice Watkins has been Board Certified in Civil Appellate Law since 2008.

Justice Watkins is a committed community servant. She is a Past President of the San Antonio Bar Association, San Antonio Bar Foundation, and Community Justice Foundation. She has served on the State Bar of Texas Grievance Committee, the Amicus Committee of the Texas Trial Lawyers Association, and the Boards of Directors of the San Antonio Trial Lawyers Association and St. Mary's Law Alumni Association. She is a Life Fellow of both the San Antonio Bar Foundation and Texas Bar Foundation. She currently serves on the Board of Editors for the Texas Bar Journal.

In addition, Justice Watkins has held several teaching positions at her alma mater, St. Mary's University School of Law. She currently teaches constitutional law. She also taught legal research and writing to first-year law students from 2006 to 2016. From 2005 through 2008, she served as the Associate Director of the Office of Academic Excellence, and from 2015 until 2017, she served as the law school's Institutional Legal Research Manager.

Justice Watkins was born and raised in San Antonio. She enjoys her hometown's vibrant arts, culture, and restaurant scene. In her free time, she loves to visit far-flung locales and experience new and different cultures.

KEY NOTE ADDRESS:
"When Life Closes a Door"

FRIDAY MORNING SPECIAL SESSION

"40 Years and Counting—Leading into the Future"

Take advantage of this unique "open mic" time with charter members, past presidents, and other leaders of the Paralegal Division who have served in numerous capacities for the past 40 years. Do you have questions you would like to ask regarding our profession; do you have ideas for the future of our profession? This is a great time to share information and ideas as we head into the next decade of the Paralegal Division, the paralegal profession and beyond.

Be a Part of TAPS 2021 and PD's 40th



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Highlighted Speakers



Shari Y. Mao

Shari Y. Mao is a partner and attorney at Jackson Walker. Ms. Mao received her J.D., magna cum laude from St. Mary's University School of Law and was admitted to the Bar in 2012. Ms. Mao is one of the only Mandarin speaking attorneys in San Antonio. Ms. Mao represents entrepreneurs, privately held clients and government agencies in a variety of corporate matters including entity formation and corporate governance to financing and divestitures. Ms. Mao serves as counsel in mergers and acquisitions, business formation and corporate structuring, restructuring, financing options and succession planning. Ms. Mao during law school interned for Chief Judge Fred Biery, United States District for the Western District of Texas and as a student attorney at St. Mary's Center for Legal and Social Justice.



Corey F. Wehmeyer

Corey F. Wehmeyer represents energy industry participants in trials, arbitrations and disputes. Clients include operators, working interest owners, mineral owners, drilling contractors, oil field service companies, pipeline companies, refiners, and mining companies. He has handled matters in Texas, Oklahoma, Louisiana, and North Dakota. He also represents clients in general real property and commercial litigation matters. As lead attorney, Corey has tried oil and gas jury trials to multi-million dollar verdict and judgment for clients, and has also secured take nothing defense verdicts. Corey is also an appellate attorney and has successfully represented energy clients in oral argument and briefing before the Supreme Court of Texas, and many intermediate courts of appeal. He is Board Certified in Oil, Gas and Mineral Law by the Texas Board of Legal Specialization.

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Ryan Searles

Ryan Searles, is a Senior Security Consultant, and works with IMEG Corp. Mr. Searles received a BS in Terrorism and Counterterrorism from Henley-Putnam University. Mr. Searles brings more than 17 years of professional experience in the "in the field" security force protection and risk management for multiple jurisdictional responses for local, state, regional and national levels. He has conducted domestic and global operations across five continents and managed enterprise wide risk management programs to protect life and safety, critical infrastructure, property and equipment. He has extensive knowledge in Public Policy, OSHA, Work-Place Violence, Active Shooter Response Training, Project Management and Incident Command System application.

These and many other speakers will provide up to 13 hours of advanced level CLE at TAPS 2021 - Don't Miss Out!

REGISTER EARLY AND SAVE!

Deadline for early registration is August 10, 2021. All online registrations received beginning August 11, 2021 will be subject to a \$35 late fee. On-Line Registration ends September 10. Registration is available **ONLINE ONLY** at txpd.org/taps-home/. Credit card, check or money order is accepted as payment. There is a \$5.00 handling fee for payment by check or money order. After September 10, 2021 only on-site registration will be accepted.

To be eligible for member pricing you must be a member of the Paralegal Division or apply for membership no later than August 10, 2021.

TAPS PRICES

Three-Day Registration

PD Member Registration Fee \$350*

Non-PD Member Registration Fee \$450*

One-Day Registration

PD Member Registration Fee \$200**

Non-PD Member Registration Fee \$300**

Additional Fees/Information

Box Lunch on Thursday \$25

* Registration Fee includes ticket to Wednesday social, Thursday social and Friday luncheon

** Social and luncheon tickets for the day of CLE can be purchased at an additional fee

TAPS T-Shirt - Complimentary with registration

Social Tickets (prices per person)

WEDNESDAY: "Make a Bet on Your Vendors"

One-Day Attendee \$20

Wednesday Social added Guest \$30

THURSDAY: "Be a High Roller at the TAPS Casino – Celebrating 40 Years"

One-Day Attendee \$65

Thursday Social added Guest \$75

FRIDAY LUNCHEON: "Against All Odds"

One-Day Attendee/Guest \$50

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SCHEDULE



SPONSORS

Wednesday, September 22

Registration 8:00 AM–4:00 PM

Presentations 9:00 AM–5:00 PM

Social 5:15 PM–6:45 PM

Thursday, September 23

Registration 7:00 AM–4:00 PM

Exhibit Hall 7:00 AM–2:00 PM

Presentations 9:00 AM–5:00 PM

Social 6:30 PM–9:30 PM

Friday, September 24

Registration 8:00 AM–10:00 AM

Presentations 8:15 AM–11:30 AM

Luncheon 11:45 AM–1:30 PM

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