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# Advanced Consumer & Commercial Law

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MCLE Course No: 174235409

Applies to the Texas Bar College and the Texas Board of Legal Specialization in Civil Appellate, Civil Trial, and Consumer & Commercial Law.



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## DAY 1

6 hours including 1.25 ethics

8:00 **Registration**  
Coffee & Pastries Provided

8:50 **Welcoming Remarks**  
**Course Director**  
Esther Chavez, *Austin*

9:00 **Transactional Defenses to the Deceptive Trade Practices Act** .75 hr (.25 ethics)  
Manny Newburger, *Chicago, IL*  
Barron & Newburger

9:45 **A Crash Course Through Arbitrations** .75 hr (.25 ethics)  
Xerxes Martin, *Dallas*  
Martin Golden Lyons Watts Morgan

10:30 **Networking Break Provided by Our Counsel Sponsors**

10:45 **Fair Debt Collection Update** .5 hr (.25 ethics)  
Robert Zimmer, *Austin*  
Zimmer & Associates

11:15 **Representing Consumers in Bankruptcy: Practice Tips and Ethical Considerations** .5 hr (.25 ethics)  
Théda W. Page, *Frisco*  
The Page Law Firm

11:45 **Break – Lunch Provided**

12:00 **Luncheon Presentation: Rooftop Solar & Consumer Protection** 1.25 hrs  
**Moderator**  
Martin Woodward, *Dallas*  
Kitner Woodward  
**Panelists**  
Chris Arnell, *Allen*  
Arnell Law  
Briana Gordley, *Austin*  
Texas Appleseed  
Edward Hynes, *Dallas*  
Federal Trade Commission

1:15 **Break**

1:30 **Auto Fraud** .5 hr  
R. Douglas Scott, *Arlington*  
Christensen Hsu Sipes, LLP

2:00 **Mark Kincaid Insurance Law Memorial Lecture: The Future of Appraisal After Safeco** .75 hr (.25 ethics)  
Matthew Kolodoski, *Dallas*  
Thompson Coe

Jonathan Lisenby, *San Antonio*  
Gravely PC

2:45 **Break**

3:00 **Stowers Greatest Hits (or Bloopers)** .5 hr  
Beverly Godbey, *Dallas*  
Amy Stewart PC

3:30 **Tiny Homes with Big Problems** .5 hr  
Eva Sikes, *Austin*  
Texas RioGrande Legal Aid

4:00 **Adjourn**

## Networking Social

4:00-5:30 p.m.

Hosted by the Consumer & Commercial Law Section

## DAY 2

6 hours including .5 ethics

8:30 **Coffee & Pastries Provided**

8:55 **Announcements**

9:00 **Deceptive Trade Practices Act & Arbitration Update** .75 hr  
Prof. Richard M. Alderman, *Santa Fe, NM*  
University of Houston Law Center

9:45 **Junk Fees and Drip Pricing** .5 hr  
Mark Tobey, *Austin*  
Husch Blackwell

10:15 **Networking Break Provided by Our Counsel Sponsors**

10:30 **Fair Credit Reporting Act Update** 1.25 hrs  
Bill Clanton, *San Antonio*  
Law Office of Bill Clanton, PC  
James Foley, *Fort Worth*  
Foley Law

Justin Sauls, *Dallas*  
McGlinchey Stafford

11:45 **Break – Lunch Provided**

12:00 **Luncheon Presentation: Privacy and Cyber Law Update** 1.25 hrs (.5 ethics)  
 Kara Altenbaumer-Price, Dallas  
 McGriff Insurance Services  
 Natalie DuBose, Irving  
 Haynes & Boone  
 Emily Westridge Black, Austin  
 A&O Shearman

1:15 **Break**

1:30 **Are U Surious? How Can a Loan's APR Be 400%? An Examination of Texas Usury Laws** .5 hr  
 Andrew E. Sattler, San Antonio  
 Sattler & Dwyre, PLLC

2:00 **Scams, Deception, & Fraud in the Banking System: Potential Remedies for Consumers** .75 hr  
 Carla Sanchez-Adams, Austin  
 National Consumer Law Center (NCLC)

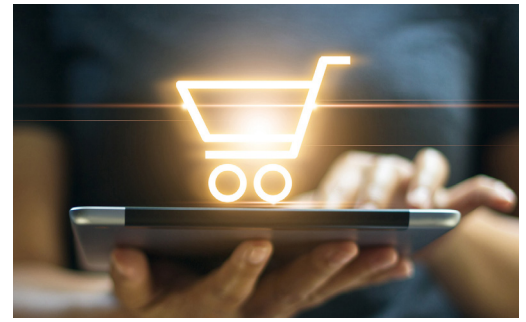
2:45 **Break**

3:00 **Legal Writing and Error Preservation** .5 hr  
 Chad Ruback, Dallas  
 Chad Ruback, Appellate Lawyer

3:30 **Business Interruption Claims During the Pandemic: Looking at Lessons Learned** .5 hr  
 Richard Faulkner, Dallas  
 Faulkner ADR Law

4:00 **Adjourn**

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- **Fiduciary Litigation\***  
[Live In-Person](#)  
 San Antonio • December 5-6, 2024  
 Kimpton Santo Hotel
- **Damages in Civil Litigation\***  
[Live Webcast](#)  
 Date to be Announced

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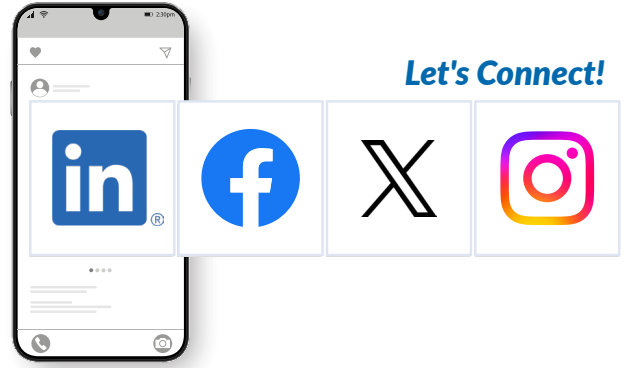
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### Live In-Person • Austin

#### Texas Law Center

1414 Colorado Street  
 Austin, TX 78701  
 (512) 427-1574

[TexasBarCLE.com](http://TexasBarCLE.com)

**Parking Map:** The Moody Bank/Deloitte Building at 400 West 15th Street offers public parking at a \$20 per day maximum or the Capitol Visitors Parking Garage at 1201 San Jacinto Boulevard offers a maximum daily charge of \$12.

### Not from Austin? We Suggest:

#### [DoubleTree Suites by Hilton Hotel Austin\\*](#)

303 West 15th Street  
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 (512) 478-7000

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1701 Lavaca Street  
 Austin, TX 78701  
 (512) 499-8881

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- Sponsored networking breaks each day
- Sponsored networking social on Thursday
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### Discounts

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