



## *Tentative Agenda*

# Mississippi Justice Court Judges Fall Conference

Silver Star Convention Center - Choctaw, MS

October 2-5, 2012

### Monday, October 1<sup>st</sup>

2:00-5:00 p.m.

MJCJA Board Meeting

*Silver Star Conference Center  
Executive Board Room*

### Tuesday, October 2<sup>nd</sup>

#### Professional Judicial Development

Practical Bench Skills *(Sessions from 2:00 to 5:00 p.m. are optional and require a registration fee.)*

1:00-2:00 p.m.

PJD Registration

*Silver Star Conference Center Lobby*

2:00 p.m.

Welcome and Introductions

*Silver Star Conference Center  
Meeting Room*

2:15-5:00 p.m.

#### **JUDICIAL DECISION MAKING**

Most people, especially members of the judiciary, strive to make decisions that are correct, fair, and ethical, and that are free from the influence of biases and prejudices. This two-part session will allow judges, in an informal setting, the opportunity to examine conscious and subconscious influences on decision-making.

*Dr. Laura Myers, Research Professor with the Social Science Research Center at Mississippi State University, will lead the discussion*  
[http://www.ssrc.msstate.edu/ssrc\\_staff/laura-b-myers/](http://www.ssrc.msstate.edu/ssrc_staff/laura-b-myers/)

### Wednesday, October 3<sup>rd</sup>

#### Professional Judicial Development

Practical Bench Skills *(Sessions from 8:30 to 11:30 a.m. are optional and require a registration fee.)*

7:00-8:30 a.m.

Continental Breakfast

*Silver Star Ballroom*

8:30-11:30 a.m.

**JUDICIAL DECISION MAKING, Continued**

11:45 a.m.

Lunch Served to PJD Participants

*Silver Star Ballroom*

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### Fall Conference Continuing Judicial Education

*(Sessions Wednesday afternoon, all day on Thursday, and Friday morning are required.)*

1:00-1:30 p.m.	Fall Conference Registration	<i>Silver Star Convention Center Lobby</i>
1:30 p.m.	<b>OPENING REMARKS</b> <i>Hon. Cynthia D. Davis</i> <i>Director, Mississippi Judicial College</i>  <i>Mike Wright</i> <i>Program Manager, Mississippi Judicial College</i>	<i>Silver Star Ballroom</i>
1:40 p.m.	<b>WELCOME</b> <b>MJCJA Officer Nominations</b> <i>Hon. Clark Secoy</i> <i>Sharkey County Justice Court Judge</i> <i>President, Mississippi Justice Court Judges Association</i>	
2:00-2:45 p.m.	<b>ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OPINION UPDATE (.75)</b>	
2:45-3:00 p.m.	Break	
3:00-4:00 p.m.	<b>COURT SECURITY CONSIDERATIONS (1.00)</b>	
4:00-4:15 p.m.	Break	
4:15-5:15 p.m.	<b>PANEL DISCUSSION OF BAIL BOND ISSUES (1.00)</b>	

### Thursday, October 4<sup>th</sup>

7:00-8:00 a.m.	Continental Breakfast	<i>Silver Star Ballroom</i>
8:00-8:30 a.m.	<b>Ballots Handed Out for MJCJA Officer Elections</b>	
8:30-9:30 a.m.	<b>MS COURT INTERPRETER CREDENTIALING PROGRAM (1.00)</b>	
9:30-9:45 a.m.	Break	
9:45-11:00 a.m.	<b>EVIDENTIARY ISSUES &amp; EFFECTIVE SENTENCING IN MISDEMEANOR CASES (1.25)</b> <b>Ballots Turned In for MJCJA Officer Elections</b>	
11:00-11:15 a.m.	Break	
11:15-12:00 p.m.	<b>SERVICES FOR JUSTICE-INVOLVED VETERANS (.75)</b>	
12:00 noon	MJCJA Business Meeting Luncheon <b>Introduction of New MJCJA Officers</b>	<i>Meeting Rooms 1-5</i>

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1:15-5:15 p.m.      **DRIVING UNDER THE INFLUENCE (4.00)**      *Silver Star Ballroom*

- Wet Session
- Field Sobriety Testing
- Intoxilizer 8000
- DUI Mock Trial
- MASEP Update

### **Friday, October 5<sup>th</sup>**

7:00-8:00 a.m.      Continental Breakfast      *Silver Star Ballroom*

8:00-9:30 a.m.      **LEGISLATIVE CHANGES TO THE DOMESTIC ABUSE ACT (1.5)**

9:30-9:45 a.m.      Break

9:45-10:45 a.m.      **JUDICIAL ETHICS (1.0)**

10:45-11:00 a.m.      Evaluation & Closing Remarks

11:00 a.m.      Awarding of Certificates

**Please be aware that this agenda is tentative, and until all sessions and speakers are confirmed, changes could be made. A final agenda will be sent to you, and posted on the MJC website as soon as possible.**