



MISSISSIPPI TRIAL & APPELLATE JUDGES SPRING CONFERENCE

*Beau Rivage Resort & Casino - Biloxi, MS
Tuesday, April 26 - Thursday, April 28, 2016*

Spring Conference Agenda

Tuesday, April 26th

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| 10:30 a.m. | MJC Board of Governors Spring Meeting | <i>Oaks Board Room</i> |
| 1:00-1:30 p.m. | Registration | <i>Convention Center Lobby</i> |
| 1:30-1:45 p.m. | WELCOME & OPENING REMARKS
<i>Hon. Randy Pierce</i>
<i>Director</i>
<i>Mississippi Judicial College</i>

<i>Mike Wright</i>
<i>Program Manager</i>
<i>Mississippi Judicial College</i> | <i>Camellia Ballroom A</i> |
| 1:45-3:00 p.m. | ROLE OF THE JUDGE AND JUDICIAL DISCRETION (1.25 CJE)
<i>Hon. Reggie B. Walton</i>
<i>United States District Court Judge</i>
<i>Washington, D.C.</i> | |
| 3:00-3:10 p.m. | Break | |
| 3:10-4:00 p.m. | JUDICIAL LEGISLATIVE UPDATE (1.00 CJE)
<i>Sen. Sean Tindell</i>
<i>Mississippi State Senate, District 49</i>
<i>Gulfport, Mississippi</i> | |
| 4:00-4:10 p.m. | Break | |
| 4:10-5:00 p.m. | COURTHOUSE & SECURITY ISSUES (1.00 CJE)
<i>(Joint Session with Mississippi Court Administrators)</i>
<i>Hon. Jim Hood</i>
<i>Mississippi Attorney General</i>
<i>Jackson, Mississippi</i> | |
| 5:30-7:30 p.m. | Welcoming Reception
for Spring Conference Participants | <i>Beau Rivage Pool Deck</i> |

Wednesday, April 27th

7:00-8:30 a.m. Continental Breakfast *Camellia Ballroom A*

8:30-9:20 a.m. Plenary Session - Part I
HOT TOPICS IN THE USE OF ELECTRONIC INFORMATION IN CIVIL AND CRIMINAL PROCEEDINGS (1.00 CJE)
Hon. Ronald J. Hedges
Ronald J. Hedges, LLC
Hackensack, New Jersey

9:20-9:30 a.m. Break

9:30-10:30 a.m. Plenary Session - Part II
ETHICAL ISSUES FOR JUDGES INVOLVING ELECTRONIC INFORMATION (1.00 CJE)
Hon. Ronald J. Hedges

10:30-10:45 a.m. Break

10:45-11:45 a.m. **CONFERENCE OF JUDGES ADMINISTRATIVE SESSIONS (1.00 CJE)**
o *Appellate*.....*Oaks Board Room*
o *Chancery*.....*Azalea A*
o *Circuit*.....*Azalea B*
o *County*.....*Azalea C*
o *Senior Status*.....*Azalea D*

12:00-1:15 p.m. **CONFERENCE OF JUDGES LUNCHEON** *Camellia Ballroom A*

1:30-4:30 p.m. Breakout Sessions:

CHANCERY JUDGES AFTERNOON BREAKOUT *Azalea A-B*

1:30-2:20 p.m. **Eliminate the “He said, She said.” Keeping High Conflict Families Out of Court. (1.00 CJE)**
Kevin Dorsey
OurFamilyWizard
Minneapolis, MN

2:20-2:30 p.m. Break

2:30-3:20 p.m. **Family Law Issues After *Obergefell v. Hodges* (1.00 CJE)**
Prof. David Calder
University of Mississippi School of Law
University, Mississippi

3:20-3:30 p.m. Break

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3:30-4:30 p.m	<p>Discussion of Guardianship Issues (1.00 CJE) (Joint Session with County Judges)</p> <p><i>Moderator:</i> Rodger Wilder <i>Batch & Bingham LLP</i> <i>Gulfport, Mississippi</i></p> <p><i>Panelists:</i> Prof. David Calder <i>University of Mississippi School of Law</i> <i>University, Mississippi</i></p> <p>Hon. Jacqueline Mask <i>First Chancery Court District Judge</i> <i>Tupelo, Mississippi</i></p> <p>Hon. Sharon Sigalas <i>Jackson County Court Judge</i> <i>Pascagoula, Mississippi</i></p>
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CIRCUIT JUDGES AFTERNOON BREAKOUT		<i>Azalea C-D</i>
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1:30-2:20 p.m.	<p>Mississippi Criminal Case Law Update (1.00 CJE) (Joint Session with County Judges)</p> <p>Leslie Lee <i>Office of the State Public Defender</i> <i>Jackson, Mississippi</i></p>
2:20-2:30 p.m.	Break
2:30-3:20 p.m.	<p>Discussion of Plain Error Cases (1.00 CJE) (Joint Session with County Judges)</p> <p>Hon. George C. Carlson, Jr. <i>Retired Justice, Mississippi Supreme Court</i> <i>Batesville, Mississippi</i></p>
3:20-3:30 p.m.	Break
3:30-4:30 p.m	<p>Mississippi Parole Board Discussion (1.00 CJE)</p> <p>Steven Pickett <i>Mississippi Department of Corrections</i> <i>State of Mississippi Parole Board</i> <i>Jackson, Mississippi</i></p>

COUNTY JUDGES AFTERNOON BREAKOUT

1:30-2:20 p.m.	Mississippi Criminal Case Law Update (1.00 CJE) (Joint Session with Circuit Judges) <i>Leslie Lee</i> <i>Office of the State Public Defender</i> <i>Jackson, Mississippi</i>	<i>Azalea C-D</i>
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3:20-3:30 p.m.	Break	
3:30-4:30 p.m.	Discussion of Guardianship Issues (1.00 CJE) (Joint Session with Chancery Judges) <i>Moderator:</i> <i>Rodger Wilder</i> <i>Batch & Bingham LLP</i> <i>Gulfport, Mississippi</i> <i>Panelists:</i> <i>Prof. David Calder</i> <i>University of Mississippi School of Law</i> <i>University, Mississippi</i> <i>Hon. Jacqueline Mask</i> <i>First Chancery Court District Judge</i> <i>Tupelo, Mississippi</i> <i>Hon. Sharon Sigalas</i> <i>Jackson County Court Judge</i> <i>Pascagoula, Mississippi</i>	<i>Azalea A-B</i>

Thursday, April 28th

Conference of Chancery Court Judges Study Committee Meeting Agenda

7:30-8:30 a.m.	Continental BreakfastAzalea A-B
8:30-9:20 a.m.	Appointment of Counsel in TPR Cases (1.00 CJE) <i>Prof. Shirley Kennedy</i> <i>Mississippi College School of Law</i> <i>Jackson, Mississippi</i>
9:20-9:30 a.m.	Break
9:30-10:20 a.m.	Update on Bankruptcy in Chancery Court Proceedings (1.00 CJE) <i>James L. Henley, Jr.</i> <i>Standing Chapter Thirteen Bankruptcy Trustee</i> <i>Jackson, Mississippi</i>
10:20-10:30 a.m.	Break
10:30-11:30 a.m.	Discussion of Chancery Court Issues: Limited Guardianship Statutes (0.50 CJE) <i>Hon. Deborah Gambrell</i> <i>Tenth Chancery Court District Judge</i> <i>Hattiesburg, Mississippi</i> Issues with Inherited Property (0.50 CJE) <i>Hon. Denise Owens</i> <i>Fifth Chancery Court District Judge</i> <i>Jackson, Mississippi</i>

Conference of Circuit Court Judges Study Committee Meeting Agenda

7:30-8:30 a.m.	Continental Breakfast.....Azalea C-D
8:30-9:20 a.m.	Mississippi Civil Case Law Update (1.00 CJE) (Joint Session with County Judges) <i>Prof. Farish Percy</i> <i>University of Mississippi School of Law</i> <i>University, Mississippi</i>
9:20-9:30 a.m.	Break

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9:30-10:20 a.m.	Discussion of RID and Re-Entry Programs (1.00 CJE) (Joint Session with County Judges) <i>Discussion Leaders:</i> Hon. Prentiss Harrell <i>Fifteenth Circuit Court District Judge</i> <i>Purvis, Mississippi</i> Anthony Schmidt, Jr. <i>Mississippi Department of Corrections</i> <i>Jackson, Mississippi</i>
10:20-10:30 a.m.	Break
10:30-11:30 a.m.	Discussion of Circuit Court Issues: Sentencing of Juveniles in Capital Cases: Parole v. No Parole (1.00 CJE) <i>Discussion Leader:</i> Hon. Charles Webster <i>Eleventh Circuit Court District Judge</i> <i>Clarksdale, Mississippi</i>

County Court Judges Study Committee Meeting Agenda

7:30-8:30 a.m.	Continental Breakfast..... <i>Azalea C-D</i>
8:30-9:20 a.m.	Mississippi Civil Case Law Update (1.00 CJE) (Joint Session with Circuit Judges) Prof. Farish Percy <i>University of Mississippi School of Law</i> <i>University, Mississippi</i>
9:20-9:30 a.m.	Break
9:30-10:20 a.m.	Discussion of RID and Re-Entry Programs (1.00 CJE) (Joint Session with Circuit Judges) <i>Discussion Leaders:</i> Hon. Prentiss Harrell <i>Fifteenth Circuit Court District Judge</i> <i>Purvis, Mississippi</i> Anthony Schmidt, Jr. <i>Mississippi Department of Corrections</i> <i>Jackson, Mississippi</i>
10:20-10:30 a.m.	Break

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	Discussion of County Court Issues:	<i>Magnolia E</i>
10:30-11:30 a.m.	<i>Collins v. Westbrook</i> (1.00 CJE) <i>Discussion Leader:</i> <i>Hon. Ed Hannan</i> <i>Madison County Court Judge</i> <i>Canton, Mississippi</i>	

11:30 a.m. Evaluation and Conclusion of Spring Conference



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