



Conference Agenda

Mississippi Justice Court Judges Spring Conference



Pearl River Resort's Silver Star Convention Center

Choctaw, Mississippi

April 3-5, 2019

Wednesday, April 3rd

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| 12:00-1:30 p.m. | Registration | Silver Star Ballroom Lobby |
| 1:30-1:40 p.m. | Welcome and Opening Remarks
<i>Hon. Randy Pierce</i>
<i>MJC Director</i>
<i>University, Mississippi</i>

<i>Ramey Smith</i>
<i>MJC Program Manager</i>
<i>University, Mississippi</i> | Silver Star Ballroom |
| 1:40-2:40 p.m. | Key Note Address:
Justice Courts in a Changing Justice System (1.00)
<i>Hon. Nathan Hecht</i>
<i>Chief Justice</i>
<i>Texas Supreme Court</i>
<i>Austin, Texas</i> | |
| 2:40-2:50 p.m. | Break | |
| 2:50-4:05 p.m. | Due Process: What is it and Why Does it Matter? (1.25)
<i>Randall Sarosdy</i>
<i>General Counsel</i>
<i>Texas Justice Court Training Center</i>
<i>Austin, Texas</i> |  |
| 4:05-4:15 p.m. | Break | |
| 4:15-5:15 p.m. | Do's & Don'ts in Judicial Campaigns (1.00)
<i>Hon. Kenny Griffis</i>
<i>Mississippi Supreme Court Justice</i>
<i>Jackson, Mississippi</i> |  |

Thursday, April 4th

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| 7:00-8:00 a.m. | Breakfast | |
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Thursday, April 4th

8:00-9:30 a.m. **Panel Discussion on Justice Court Issues (1.50)**

Facilitator:

Bill Charlton

MJC Research Counsel II

University, Mississippi

Panelist:

Hon. Gay Polk-Payton

Forrest County Justice Court Judge

Hattiesburg, Mississippi

Hon. Bill Freeman

Scott County Justice Court Judge

Forest, Mississippi

Hon. Peggy Phillips

Lowndes County Justice Court Judge

Columbus, Mississippi

9:30-9:45 a.m. Break

9:45-10:15 a.m. **DUI Non-Adjudications/Expungements (0.50)**

Lora Hunter

General Counsel

Mississippi Department of Public Safety

Jackson, Mississippi

10:15-10:45 a.m. **Functions of the Criminal Information Center (0.50)**

Lt. Charlie Hill

Deputy Director

Mississippi Criminal Information Center

Jackson, Mississippi

Kristen Harris

Mississippi Criminal Information Center

Jackson, Mississippi

10:45-11:00 a.m. Break

11:00-12:00 p.m. **Initial Appearances/Bail/Denying Bail/Preliminary Appearances (1.00)**

Hon. Kelly Luther

Circuit Court Judge

Third Circuit Court District

Ripley, Mississippi

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Thursday, April 4th

12:00-12:45 p.m. Buffet Lunch

12:45-1:30 pm. MJCJA Business Meeting

1:30-3:45 p.m. **DUI Responder Panel Discussion (2.00)** 

Rob Banks

MS TIDE Director

Mississippi DRE & SFST State Coordinator

Oxford, Mississippi

MSgt. Kenneth McGruder

Driver's License Services

Mississippi Department of Public Safety

Jackson, Mississippi

Molly Miller

Traffic Safety Resource Prosecutor

Office of the Mississippi Attorney General

Jackson, Mississippi

Anthony Schmidt

General Counsel

Mississippi Department of Public Safety

Jackson, Mississippi

3:45-4:00 p.m. Break

4:00-5:00 p.m. **Domestic Orders/Abuse Issues (1.00)** 

Paula Broome

Special Assistant Attorney General

Jackson, Mississippi

Friday, April 5th

7:00-8:30 a.m. Breakfast

8:30-9:00 a.m. **Judicial Performance Commission Annual Report (0.50)**

Rachel Michel

Senior Staff Attorney

Mississippi Commission on Judicial Performance

Jackson, Mississippi

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Friday, April 5th

- 9:00-10:00 a.m. **Judicial Ethics (1.00)**
John L. Herzog, Jr.
Assistant District Attorney
Fourth Judicial Circuit
Greenville, Mississippi
- 10:00-10:30 a.m. Break & Hotel Check-out
- 10:30-11:30 a.m. **Growing Weeders into Leaders (1.00)**
Jeff McManus, CGM, ISA Certified Arborist
Director of Landscape Services, Airport & Golf Services
University of Mississippi
University, Mississippi
- 11:30 a.m. Closing Remarks
- 11:45 a.m. Awarding of Certificates