



# 16<sup>th</sup> Annual Hal Jackson Memorial Jolly Roger Criminal Law

Co-sponsored with Denton Criminal Defense Lawyers Association

Denton, Texas: Friday December 15, 2023: 6.0 CLE including 1.0 Ethics

## Course Directors

- Patty Tress, Denton
- Gina Morgan, Denton
- Jeep Darnell, El Paso

## Overview

Traditionally, ranch life called for all of the ranch hands working for an outfit to dedicate themselves to the brand, in other words, the marking of the ranch where they were employed, by working as hard as they could to help the ranch succeed. Cowboys worked from sunup to sundown, come snow, rain, sleet, hail, or blistering sun. From day to day cowboys could be on horseback pushing cattle, down on the ground fixing fences, or in the corrals branding and working cattle. Working on a ranch still requires that the ranch hands know how to do every job to achieve success. The hit TV series Yellowstone has brought the idea of this way of life to popular culture in a very dramatic fashion. However, the old adage of working as hard as someone can at their craft to achieve success lives on. This course will harken back to the days when ranches dominated the Texas lifestyle to help teach the attendee how to hone their craft as a criminal defense lawyer through work and grit.

## Agenda

### Friday, September 15, 2023

- 7:30 am *Continental Breakfast & Registration*
- 8:15 am **Opening Remarks** ~ Patty Tress & Gina Morgan
- 8:30 am **Gathering the Heard: Voir Dire** ~ Andrew Decker
- 9:15 am **Working from Sunup to Sundown: Open and Closing** ~ Clay Steadman
- 10:15 am *Break*
- 10:30 am **A Ranch Hands Work Isn't Always Glamorous: Pre-Trial Investigations** ~ Brian Ehrenberg
- 11:15 am *Lunch Line*
- 11:30 am **Lunch Presentation – Staying Mentally Strong for the Days Work: Mental Health** ~ Jessica Canter
- 12:30 pm *Break*
- 12:45 pm **Ranch Life is Always Changing: Technology in the Court Room** ~ Gina Morgan
- 1:30 pm **A Good Horse Always Makes for a Good Ranch Hand: Experts & Witnesses** ~ Porscha Brown
- 2:15 pm **Why Do We Ride for the Brand? | Client Relationships & Communications** ~ Cris Estrada
- 3:15 pm *Adjourn*

*This course is funded by a grant from the Texas Court of Criminal Appeals*

## Reserve My Space I Materials

### Registration by 12/15/2023 – Electronic Materials

- \$40** including \$20 tuition (for all classes, continental breakfast plus lunch and materials) plus a \$20 **voluntary payment** to support TCDLA.
  - Criminal Defense Attorney
  - Judge
  - Mitigator
  - Paralegal
  - Investigator
  - Social Worker
- If you do not wish to make the **voluntary payment**, please remit only \$20 and mark this box.

### Registration after 12/15/2023 - Electronic Materials

- \$80** including \$60 tuition (for all classes, continental breakfast and materials) plus a \$20 **voluntary payment** to support TCDLA.
- If you do not wish to make the **voluntary payment**, please remit only \$60 and mark this box.

## Meeting/Lodging Location

The seminar will be held at the Springhill Suites Denton located at 1434 Centre Place Drive, Denton, TX 76205. Accommodations are \$95 per night single or \$105 per night double. **Hotel cut-off date is November 24, 2023 or until room block is full, whichever occurs first.** Please call (904) 383-4100 for reservations and mention the TCDLA room block.

## Register:

**Online** [www.tcdla.com](http://www.tcdla.com)  
**Phone** 512.478.2514  
**Fax** 512.469.0512  
**Mail** 6808 Hill Meadow Drive | Austin, Texas 78736

## Questions & Concerns

Email: [Smartinez@tcdla.com](mailto:Smartinez@tcdla.com) or call 512.478.2514

[www.tcdla.com](http://www.tcdla.com)

## Contact Information

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
 Bar Number \_\_\_\_\_  
 Street Address \_\_\_\_\_  
 City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
 E-mail \_\_\_\_\_  
 Cell \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

## Join TCDLA #tcdlastrong #onevoice

- New Member and Second-Year Member \$100
- New Member Endorser: \_\_\_\_\_
- Renew Membership \$180
- Prefer not to participate in auto renewal

For your convenience, TCDLA uses AUTO-RENEWAL for all membership dues, using your checking account or credit card. You will be automatically enrolled in the auto-renewal program, so you do not have to do anything while continuing to enjoy membership benefits every year! You can always opt out of auto-renewal anytime by simply emailing [mrendon@tcdla.com](mailto:mrendon@tcdla.com) or by checking the opt-out option above.

**Payment**  Check  Credit Card

Credit Card Number \_\_\_\_\_ Expiration Date \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

## General Information

(Please read before registering) you may not register for this program if you are a full-time law enforcement officer, prosecutor, or currently acting as a prosecutor or special prosecutor in a capital case (unfortunately, no exceptions).

\*Tuition will be used to cover future expenses of TCDLA's grant programs or to provide for items that the grant cannot sufficiently cover.

\*\*Voluntary contributions go to support the Texas Criminal Defense Lawyers Association (TCDLA), a nonprofit organization and will go directly to TCDLA's private fund account.

CANCELLATION POLICY: Written notice must be received 5 business days prior to the program (E-mail: [mschank@tcdla.com](mailto:mschank@tcdla.com)). After this date, no refunds, but the substitution of attendees will be permitted with prior approval. Registrants who paid tuition and are not entitled to a refund can receive the course materials. Note: Tuition waiver recipients must attend the program to receive materials.

Tax Notice: \$36 of your annual dues (\$19 if a student member) is for a one-year subscription to the VOICE for the Defense. Dues to TCDLA are not deductible as a charitable contribution but may be deducted as an ordinary business expense.