

Agenda

Assisting with the Defense of Criminal Cases in Texas State Courts

J. Rosenthal

- Assisting with initial client interview
- Opening the file: obtaining and organizing critical information
- Preparing representation, retainer and fee agreements
- Assisting the discovery process
 - Practical investigation techniques
 - Drafting and responding to discovery requests
 - Working with lay and expert witnesses
- Preparing and responding to pretrial motions
- Preparing for and assisting at trial
- Preparing for sentencing
- Assisting with criminal appeals

Handling Ethical Issues in Criminal Defense Practice

G. Westfall

- Representing co-defendants
- Payment of legal fees
- Maintaining client confidentiality

Assisting with the Defense of Federal Criminal Cases

P. McLain

- Overview of federal criminal procedure
- Preparing and filing documents in federal court
- Assisting with discovery
- Motion practice in federal court
- Preparing for and assisting at trial

Differences Between Criminal and Juvenile Law

B. Willett

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Live, Interactive Webinar - Monday, July 15, 2024

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Learning Objectives

You'll be able to:

- Prepare** representation, retainer and fee agreements.
- Assist** with discovery requests.
- Prepare** for and assist at trial.
- Prepare** for sentencing and assist with criminal appeals.
- Get tips on** assisting in federal criminal cases.
- Distinguish** between criminal and juvenile law.

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- Participate** in the discovery process
- Prepare** for trial and assist with criminal appeals

- Handle** ethical issues
- Assist** in the defense of federal criminal cases
- Distinguish** between criminal and juvenile law

Continuing Education Credits

- Paralegals**
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- National Federation of Paralegal Associations (NFPA)**
 - 6.0 CLE Credits
 - 5.0 General CLE Credits
 - 1.0 Ethics CLE Credit
- Texas Board of Legal Specialization**
 - Pending

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Faculty

Jeremy Rosenthal is the founding partner of Rosenthal Kalabus & Therrian. He is board-certified by the Texas Board of Legal Specialization in Criminal Law. Mr. Rosenthal was a Collin county prosecutor prior to founding Rosenthal Kalabus & Therrian. He has tried over 200 jury cases – virtually all criminal. Mr. Rosenthal has received not guilty verdicts at every level of state court from first-degree felonies to serious misdemeanors. He served on the board of directors for Texas Criminal Defense Lawyer’s Association (TCDLA), was two-time president of McKinney Bar Association, and is the current chairman of Collin County Bar Association’s Criminal Law Section. Mr. Rosenthal is also a member of the Texas State Bar College. He is currently the assistant editor for the *Voice for the Defense* publication. Mr. Rosenthal frequently lectures on criminal defense topics including handling criminal emergencies and trial advocacy. He earned his J.D. degree from SMU Law School.

Greg Westfall is a partner with Cantey Hanger LLP. Mr. Westfall’s practice focuses on white-collar criminal defense and civil litigation. He has practiced criminal defense in Texas and nationally for 30 years, specializing in complex criminal litigation in state and federal courts. He has tried more than 100 criminal cases, many of them “high profile,” and handled more than 50 criminal appeals at all levels. In 2010, Mr. Westfall added commercial litigation case work and has several civil trials and appeals among his experiences. He has represented many individuals through federal investigations into, among others, alleged violations of EPA regulations, hiring undocumented aliens, health care fraud, antikickback and import/export violations, and government contractor fraud. Mr. Westfall earned his J.D. degree, *summa cum laude*, from Texas Tech University.

Patrick J. McLain is the founder of the Law Office of Patrick J. McLain, PLLC. He is a retired Marine Corps military judge, and has been in the practice of criminal and military law since 1990. His first jury trials were tried in the deserts of Saudi Arabia during operations Desert Shield and Desert Storm. He ended his Government service as a federal prosecutor in Dallas, Texas, serving in the child exploitation crimes, computer crimes, and general federal crimes sections. The Law Office of Patrick J. McLain, PLLC is headquartered in Dallas where he represents clients in state criminal cases in Texas and federal crime cases in courts throughout the United States. Mr. McLain has handled thousands of cases and provides aggressive and tenacious representation. He also has a separate military law practice with offices across the country. Mr. McLain earned his J.D. degree from the University of Texas School of Law.

Brian J. Willett is the principal of Willett Law. He is one of only two double board-certified attorneys in criminal and juvenile law in Tarrant County, and one of only 12 double board-certified attorneys in criminal and juvenile law in the State of Texas. He has the unique perspective of successfully defending cases in the Texas state criminal courts, federal immigration courts and Texas civil juvenile courts. Mr. Willett is the author of three editions of his criminal law book. *Ignorance of the Law is No Excuse* and is currently working on the Silver Edition of this book. He earned his B.S. degree from the University of Iowa and his J.D. degree from Memphis State University School of Law.

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Texas Personal Injury Practice for Paralegals

Online | Monday, June 24, 2024 | 8:30 am - 4:00 pm EDT

Credits: Paralegals: 6.5 CLE Hours (Incl 1.0 Ethics Hour)
National Federation of Paralegal Associations (NFPA): Pending
Texas Board of Legal Education (TBLS): Pending

Agenda Topics:

- Understanding Texas Personal Injury Law
- Negotiating, Mediating, and Settling Personal Injury Cases
- Investigating and Evaluating a Personal Injury Claim
- Litigating Personal Injury Cases
- Handling Ethical Issues

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