

Hospital Association, which offers two days of health law CLE to those interested in broadening their practice, maintaining their practice focus, or preparing for the specialization examination. This year's 37th annual conference will be held October 6-8, 2024, at the AT&T Hotel and Conference Center in Austin. The Health Law Section provides stipends to law students to attend the conference to encourage students to explore careers in health law. Members of the section write and evaluate the Texas Board of Legal Specialization's health law specialization examination and provide weekly e-newsletters that track proposed and adopted Texas rules and regulations. These updates are accessible on the section's website (texhealthlaw.org). This year, the section will continue to offer in-person educational and outreach programs to members. The section is eager to encourage and support membership. Please contact a member of the Health Law Council to get involved or to learn more about the section.

HISPANIC ISSUES

Angelica Hernandez, Chair

The Hispanic Issues Section continued its tradition of access to justice fundraising (approximately \$50,000) by hosting a statewide Zoom "LawTería" on September 14, 2023. Some participants held watch parties in El Paso, Houston, and San Antonio. Judicial "celebrity callers" included Appellate Judge Amparo Guerra (Houston), U.S. District Judge David A. Morales (Corpus Christi), Appellate Judge Denisse Garcia (Dallas), and Chief U.S. District Judge Alia Moses (Del Rio). CLE programming included the 70th anniversary of the landmark U.S. Supreme Court case *Hernandez v. Texas*, hosted on January 25, 2024, at St. Mary's University School of Law. Panelists included Chief Appellate Judge Dori Contreras (Corpus Christi), Appellate Judge Gina M. Benavides (Corpus Christi), and former Supreme Court of Texas Justice David M. Medina (Houston). The March 28 CLE with former El Paso mayor, lawyer, and author Raymond Caballero discussed the U.S.

Supreme Court case *Jencks v. United States*. The section recognized outstanding achievement of attorneys, judges, legislators, and organizations and presented awards at its annual meeting. At the annual meeting, HIS—the first affinity State Bar of Texas section—celebrated its 45th anniversary, inviting all past chairs and providing panel discussions on the legal history of the organization and its founders and members.

IMMIGRATION AND NATIONALITY LAW

Teresa Coles-Davila, Chair

The Immigration and Nationality Law Section has completed the updates to the Immigration Consequences of Criminal Convictions Chart resource for section members originally drafted in 2008 by Jodi Goodwin and Thomas Esparza. The chart can be found on the section's website at texasimmigrationandnationalitylaw.com. Log in with your bar number and password. The section council will appoint a committee yearly to oversee chart updates in collaboration with St. Mary's University School of Law Center for Legal and Social Justice. Please email suggested updates to texascrimmchart@gmail.com. The section provides free CLE to members through its monthly fourth Tuesday lunch CLE programs and spring and fall legal writing workshops. The section also provides a free crossover CLE with the Family Law Section in the spring and is in the planning stages for a crossover CLE with the Criminal Law Section in the fall. Over the past year, the section has collaborated with law schools and American Immigration Lawyers Association Texas for professional development and social events. The section continues to encourage and announce pro bono and low bono representation opportunities in collaboration with nonprofit organizations and community outreach efforts. Only those authorized by federal law are permitted to practice immigration law.

INSURANCE LAW

Robert Cunningham, Chair

The Insurance Law Section celebrated its 25th anniversary in 2023-

2024. The section is grateful for 25 years of leadership and member contributions that achieved the section's notable growth and successes. Mindful of this legacy, current officers and council, committee volunteers, and section sponsors continued to expand and improve programs established by the section's distinguished predecessors. Notable 2023-2024 achievements included the first Texas Board of Legal Specialization insurance law specialization exam, held in October. The section congratulates those newly certified for their recognized expertise. The new Young Lawyers Subcommittee provides support for section activities, working with the Publications and CLE committees on outreach to younger section members, including a free webinar on practical issues faced by young lawyers. Winners of the annual law school writing competition received scholarship funds, along with "best-in-class" as designated by insurance law faculty. Member benefits included: Networking happy hours around Texas, the preeminent *Journal of Texas Insurance Law*, bi-weekly *Right Off the Press*, expanded LinkedIn social media, a new online comprehensive overview seminar, the ever-popular annual Advanced Insurance Law Course & Casino Night, multiple webinars, a revamped website, and the section's first newsletter featuring prominent titans of Texas insurance law. Join in! Inquire to admin@insurancelawsection.org.

INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY LAW

Devika Kornbacher, Chair

The Intellectual Property Law Section progressed the three pillars of its mission: educate, connect, and serve. The section moved from in-person advanced IP and IP litigation CLEs to online presentations covering timely topics such as tackling counterfeits, copyright and social justice, and the circuit split on the discovery rule (educate) with regionally hosted in-person networking receptions afterwards (connect). The reception during the International Trademark Association leadership meeting was a