

Dallas Association of Young Lawyers
Presents
Openings a Closings - A Trial Skills Program

Thursday, August 12, 2010
3:00 - 6:00 p.m.
George Allen Sr. Courthouse

The DAYL Courtroom Skills CLE is back. This year participants are invited to learn how to make a winning closing argument. Sign-in begins at 3:00 p.m. in the Merrill Hartman Courtroom at the George Allen Sr. Courthouse. This year participants may choose between a civil case hypothetical and a criminal case hypothetical to base their closing argument. 2.5 hours of CLE is expected to be approved.

The CLE will begin with a panel discussion on closing arguments with the **Honorable Martin Hoffman** (Judge of the 68th District Court), **Trey Cox** (partner at Lynn Tillotson Pinker Cox, L.L.P.) and **Michael K. Hurst** (partner at Gruber Hurst Johansen & Hail, L.L.P.). The participants will then see closing arguments by **Andy Sommerman** (Sommerman & Quesada) and **Stephen W. Gwinn** (Suzanne Calvert & Associates).

Experienced volunteer attorneys, including **Linda Turley, Scott B. Frenkel, Krisi Kastl, Jim Mitchell, Melissa Bellan, Andy Payne, Mary Alice McLarty,** and **Chris Lewis**, will guide participants on preparing their own closing arguments based upon a fact pattern from our previous CLE. Finally, DAYL members will be assigned to different courtrooms to perform their own mock closing argument.

The following judges have volunteered to participate: **Hon. Marty Lowy, Hon. Ken Tapscott, Hon. Ken Molberg, Hon. Lorraine Raggio, Hon. Gena Slaughter, Hon. Emily Tobolowsky, Hon. James Stanton, Hon. Susan Hawk, Hon. Jeff Rosenfield,** and **Hon. Elizabeth Crowder.**

There is limited space available and will be on a first-come, first- paid basis. If you'd like to sit in as a spectator only, the cost is \$15. CLE is available to spectators.

The cost to attend is only \$30 for DAYL members and \$40 for non-members. To register for the seminar, please complete the information below and return it with your payment.

For more information, please contact Cherie Harris at cherieh@dayl.com or 214-220-7420.

Registration Form - Openings and Closings

Name: _____ Email: _____

- Enclosed is my check for \$_____ made payable to the DAYL.
- Please charge my credit card: Please check one: Visa _____ MasterCard _____ AMEX _____
- I request a ___ Civil Hypothetical ___ Criminal Hypothetical
- I would like to sit in as a spectator for \$15.

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Security Code _____ Dollar Amount: _____ Credit Card Billing ZIP: _____

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