

TEXAS EMINENT DOMAIN



Where Progress & Property Rights Converge

March 27-28, 2025 • Austin Country Club • Austin

Thursday, March 27

8:00 Registration and Networking Breakfast

8:30 Introduction and Welcome

Overview of Day One

Nick Laurent, Esq., Program Co-Chair and Andrew York, Esq., Program Co-Chair Barron, Adler, Clough & Oddo, Austin

8:45 Case Law Update

2024-2025

Caroline Geiger, Esq., Assistant Attorney General Transportation Division, Office of the Texas Attorney General, Austin

Joshua Longi, Esq., Assistant Attorney General Transportation Division, Office of the Texas Attorney General, Austin

10:15 Networking Break

10:30 Legislative Update

A Look at the Bills Filed During the Regular Session of the 89th Texas Legislature that Impact the Practice of Eminent Domain Law

Sarah Munson, Esq., Special Counsel for Attorney Development

Transportation Division, Office of the Texas Attorney General, Austin

11:00 **Economic Units**

How Far Is Too Far?

Ramon Molina, Esq.

Ross Molina Oliveros, San Antonio

11:45 Site Improvements and the Cost to Cure

Appraisal Issues in Eminent Domain Cases

Chris Hornsby, MAI, Principal

Hornsby and Company, Austin

Paul Hornsby, MAI, SRA, President

Hornsby and Company, Austin

12:30 Networking Lunch Break (Included) Sponsored by:







1:30 Condemnation in Place

The What, When, and How of It

John Baker, Esq.Baker Moran, Plano

2:15 Telling the Taking Story

A Case Study with Demonstratives

Jeffrey Hamill, Visual Specialist

Temple Hills, MD

Randall Smith, Esq.

Smith & Fawer, New Orleans, LA

3:00 Networking Break

3:15 Cutting Edge Issues in Eminent Domain

What You Need to Know

Noah Galton, Esq.

Jackson Walker, Austin

Nick Laurent, Esq., Program Co-Chair

Barron, Adler, Clough & Oddo, Austin

4:15 **Ethics #1**

Ethics for Eminent Domain Litigators: An Interactive Presentation

Donna Krawczyk, Esq., Assistant Attorney General, Helene Parker, Esq., Assistant Attorney General, Matt Popkin, Esq., Assistant Attorney General, and Kimberly Smith, Esq., Assistant Attorney General Transportation Division, Office of the Texas Attorney General, Austin

5:15 Adjourn



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8:45 **Deal or No Deal**

An In-House Examination of Right-of-Way Negotiations

Brad Anderson, Esq. Jackson Walker, Austin

Liza Evans, Esq., Senior Counsel WhiteWater Midstream, Austin

Amber Weigl, Esq., Associate General Counsel Lower Colorado River Authority, Austin

Carol Williamson, Esq., Senior Attorney Atmos Energy Corporation, Dallas

9:45 Networking Break

10:00 **Judicial Panel**

View from the Bench

The Honorable Melissa Baeza, Judge El Paso County Court at Law #3, El Paso

The Honorable M. Sue Kurita, Judge El Paso County Court at Law #6, El Paso

11:15 City of Austin Code Changes

The Wild Impact on Valuation for Condemnation

Sejin Brooks, Esq. Nossaman, Austin 12:00 Lunch Break (on your own)

1:30 What Clint Harbour Might Say

Discussion of Right-to-Take Issues and Compensable Improvements and Damages

Michael Evenson, Esq., Assistant Attorney General Transportation Division, Office of the Texas Attorney

General, Austin

Matt Harriger, Esq.
Brady & Hamilton • Womack McClish, Austin

2:30 **Ethics #2**

How to Avoid Legal Malpractice Claims

Sam Johnson, Esq.

Scott Douglass McConnico, Austin

3:30 Evaluations and Adjourn