



Children's Commission.

Attorney Resource Letter:

For Attorneys Handling Child Protective Services Cases

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Reminder About Upcoming Webcast and Related Discounts:

In partnership with the State Bar of Texas, the Children's Commission will present a live webcast entitled **Child Protection Legislative Update: 85th Legislative Session** on Monday, July 24th from 1:30 to 3:00 p.m. on CPS-specific issues (total MCLE 1.5 hours, including .25 ethics hours). The speaker panel will be comprised of Judge Dean Rucker, Jurist in Residence at the Children's Commission and Presiding Judge, Seventh Administrative Judicial Region; Tina Amberboy, Executive Director of the Children's Commission; and Dylan Moench, Staff Attorney at the Children's Commission.

This program will cover statutory changes emanating from the recent 85th Legislative Session, including key changes brought about by Senate Bill 11's transition from foster care redesign to contractor-provided community based care; House Bill 7 and Senate Bill 999 affecting Texas Family Code Chapters 262 and 263; and Attorney and Guardian Ad Litem duties under Chapter 107.

The full cost of this CLE is \$120. Please note that the following discounts are available upon registration:

- Judges' staff attorneys can register for free.
- Court-appointed attorneys currently taking cases on the CPS docket can receive a \$95 discount, bringing the cost to \$25.
- Discounts are not available to prosecutors. However, any prosecutor who cannot afford to pay or whose employer cannot pay the full cost of the webcast may apply for a scholarship through Texas Bar CLE. The scholarship form is available on the registration page: <http://www.texasbarcle.com/CLE/site/helpfiles/Scholarship%20Form.pdf>.
- DFPS Regional Attorneys are considered to be a group of two or more attorneys and qualify for the 10% group discount for a total cost of \$108 per viewer. The procedure for requesting a group discount is listed below. Any DFPS Regional Attorney who cannot afford to pay the group discount price of \$108 may apply for a scholarship through Texas Bar CLE when registering. The scholarship form is available on the registration page: <http://www.texasbarcle.com/CLE/site/helpfiles/Scholarship%20Form.pdf>.

To request a group discount to lower the price of the webcast to \$108 per viewer, interested group members must contact Firm & Group Sales Manager Laura Angle of TexasBarSolutions at 512-263-2802 or langle@texasbar.com. Early registration is strongly encouraged in order to allow time for the Bar to process any requests for the above discounts.

If you want to register at the discounted rate, but are unable to watch the webcast on 7/24/17, please go ahead and register for the 7/24 event. You will be sent a link to the webcast and will have up to a year to watch the recorded version of the live broadcast in the Texas Bar CLE online classroom.

To register, please visit the link below:

<http://www.TexasBarCLE.com/CLE/AABuy0.asp?IID=15916&sProductType=EV>

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