

HVLP 2008 FAMILY LAW SEMINAR at SOUTH TEXAS COLLEGE OF LAW

6.25 hours MCLE, including .75 hour ethics.

Volunteer for a HVLP family law case before the seminar and get FREE CLE!

Dear Attorney:

On Friday, May 30th, Houston Volunteer Lawyers Program presents its 2008 Family Law Seminar at South Texas College of Law, 1303 San Jacinto. This day-long event will be held in STCL's Joe M. Green Auditorium and will feature board-certified family law attorneys and other family law specialists speaking on a variety of topics relevant to this area of law.

The seminar is FREE to all attorneys who volunteer for an HVLP family law case prior to the date of the seminar. To register, please email maureen.benefiel@hvlp.org or frank.olvera@hvlp.org. You may also complete and return the attached registration form by fax or mail to have us contact you.

HVLP will assign cases on a first-come, first-served basis so advanced registration is strongly recommended. If cases are unavailable at the time of registration, HVLP will assign you a family law case by the date of the seminar. Attorneys who have not accepted a case by May 30th will be required to pay a \$185.00 registration fee. Registrants who must pay the fee, but who accept an HVLP family law case by **August 15, 2008**, will receive a refund.

Registrants who are currently providing pro bono legal services for an HVLP family law matter accepted after **March 1, 2008** may also attend the seminar for free.

Attorneys who do not wish to volunteer may attend the seminar by paying the \$185.00 registration fee.

All attendees will receive a CD containing the course materials. A printed copy of the course materials is available for a \$30.00 payment. To receive a printed copy, HVLP must receive your payment for the copy by **May 9th**. The CDs and printed copies of the course book will be distributed during check-in.

Although HVLP provides legal services for a wide range of civil legal matters, the primary need for assistance is in the area of family law. The annual HVLP Family Law Seminar successfully brings together attorneys with men and women who meet legal services program eligibility standards and who need legal representation in this area. Attorneys who take these cases play a very important part in ensuring equal access to the justice system.

**2008 Family Law Seminar
May 30th, 2008
South Texas College of Law
Program**

- 8:00 - 8:35** **Check-In**
- 8:30 - 8:35** **Welcoming Remarks**
Travis Sales
President-Elect, Houston Bar Association
- 8:35 - 8:40** **HVLP and the Pro Bono Experience**
Mark Kelly
Chair, HVLP Board of Directors
- 8:40 - 9:30** **Pro Bono and HVLP**
Paul Mott, *HVLP*
- 9:30 - 10:15** **Divorce from Start to Finish: An Overview**
Charlotte Rainwater, *Burgower & Rainwater, L.L.P.*
- 10:15 - 10:30** **Break**
- 10:30 - 11:00** **Temporary Orders**
Carol Griffin, *Peltier, Bosker & Griffin, P.C.*
- 11:00 - 11:30** **Custody**
Cheryl Alsandor, *The Alsandor Law Firm, P.L.L.C.*
- 11:30 - 12:00** **Parenting Plans**
Patricia Carter, *Short Carter Morris, L.L.P.*
- 12:00 - 1:00** **Lunch Break**
- 1:00 - 1:30** **Child Support**
Imogen "Immy" Papadopoulos, *The Law Office of Imogen Papadopoulos*
- 1:30 - 2:00** **Paternity and Co-Respondents**
Sam M. "Trey" Yates, III, *The Law Office of Sam M. "Trey" Yates, III*
- 2:00 - 2:30** **Collaborative Divorce**
Harry L. Tindall, *Tindall & Foster, P.C.*
- 2:30 - 2:45** **Break**
- 2:45 - 3:30** **What is the DRO & What Can It Do for Me?**
Janiece E. Horn, *Harris County Domestic Relations Office*
- 3:30 - 4:00** **Immigration Issues & Divorce**
Maricarmen Garza, *Texas RioGrande Legal Aid*
- 4:00 - 4:30** **Spotting Domestic Violence**
Leticia Monzano, *Houston Area Women's Center*

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