



Texas Association of Domestic Relations Offices
The 38th Annual Conference
El Paso, Texas



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TADRO 2023

Thank you for joining the Texas Association of Domestic Relations Offices for its 38th Annual Conference. *We are so happy you are here!* Through open discussion and the meaningful exchange of information and ideas, the Conference will expand and strengthen your knowledge, skills, and techniques to better assist families.

Registration

Your registration fee includes admission to all sessions and special events. Please visit the registration table if you have any questions or need assistance.

Accommodations

Radisson El Paso Airport, 1770 Airway Blvd, El Paso, TX 79925, (915) 772-3333

Parking

Self-parking is free for conference attendees—24-hour complimentary airport shuttle service is provided by the Radisson. The shuttle is available only to and from the airport.

Conference Social

Thursday evening, October 26, 2023, dinner will be at the West Texas Chophouse (7723 Paseo Del Norte, El Paso, TX 79912). Transportation will be provided. The bus leaves at 6:00 P.M. in front of the hotel and returns at 9:30 P.M. Food and drink costs are not covered.

Conference Luncheon

Thursday, October 26, 2023. The luncheon is included in your registration fee. Join us for lunch and a special presentation by David Romo, PhD for a history of El Paso.

Breakfast: 7:30 - 8:30 Continental breakfast

Morning break Assorted packaged snacks

Lunch Ciao Bella Lasagna

Afternoon break Chocolate Lovers, Brownies and Chocolate Cookies

Reception Appetizer Empanadas and Taquitos



Continuing Legal Education

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For social workers, sign-in attendance sheets on every session, and scan QR codes at the end of every session to submit evaluation.



TADRO 2023 Agenda

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Thank you to all those who have helped make this possible. See you next year in Fort Worth, Texas!

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Wednesday, October 25, 2023 (General Session; Salon A&B)

11:30 – 4:30	Registration (Atrium)
12:00– 12:15	Opening Remarks & Announcements Brian Stanley, President TADRO Director, El Paso County DRO, El Paso
	Presentation of Colors The First in Texas El Paso High School Junior ROTC Sageland MicroSociety Elementary School 3rd and 4th Grade Student Council
12:15 – 12:30	Welcome Address Honorable Ricardo A. Samaniego El Paso County Judge
12:30 – 12:45	Roll Call and Domestic Relations Offices Updates Directors, Domestic Relations Offices of Bexar, Dallas, El Paso, Harris, Hildago, Lubbock, Tarrant, Taylor, and Travis Counties
12:45 – 3:30	The Way of the Small (and Big Rocks) – the Ultimate Secrets of Significance: The Quality of the Gravel J. Mark Warren
3:30 – 3:40	BREAK
3:40 – 4:30	Legislative Update Judge Jesus Rodriguez, County Court #5 Judge Laura Strathmann, IV-D COURT
4:30 – 5:30	Board Meeting (The Savoy Boardroom, Radisson Hotel El Paso Airport)
5:30	Adjourn
5:00 – 7:30	Reception (Hotel Atrium) Appetizers and Credit Card Bar

Thursday, October 26, 2023 (Break Out Sessions – Salon A&B)

7:30 – 8:30	Breakfast
(8:00 - 12:00 noon Late Registration)	
<u>TRACK ONE (A.M.) – FAMILY TOPICS (Salon A)</u>	
8:30 – 9:15	Dynamics of Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault Pablo Ortega -Center Against Sexual and Family Violence
9:15: 10:00	Psychological Lessons for Lawyers Dr. Melanie Longhurst, Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center El Paso
10:00- 10:15	BREAK
10:15 – 11:00	Legal Advice vs. Legal Information John Greacen, JD. Greacen Associates, LLC.
11: 00 – 11:15	BREAK
11:15- 12:00	OAG Fatherhood Services Joshua Banks, Program Engagement Specialist/ Program Innovation (OAG-CSD)
12:00 – 1:30	LUNCH – Dr. David Romo Speaker (Atrium) TADRO Membership Meeting
<u>TRACK ONE (P.M.) FAMILY TOPICS (Salon A&B)</u>	
1:30 – 2:15	Best Practices in Family Law Cases Judge Lyda Ness Garcia, 383rd District Court
2:15 – 3:00	Enhanced IV-D Docket Judge Phyllis Gonzalez, IV-D Court
3:00 – 3:15	BREAK
3:15 – 4:00	Setting the Stage: Communicating with Children for Age-appropriate Video Recorded Interviews New Mexico State University Dr. Merranda R. Marin, PhD, Licensed Psychologist, NM1123, LMFT Dr. Kourtney Vaillancourt, PhD. LMFT, LADC, AAMFT Approved Supervisor Brenda Gonzalez, Graduate Student, MFT Shawn Adams, Graduate Student, MFT
4:00- 4:15	BREAK
4:15-5:00	Multicultural Counseling Dr. Luis Vázquez Regents Professor Emeritus New Mexico State University
6:00-9:00	Conference Social at the West Texas Chophouse. Meet for the bus in front of the hotel by 6:00 P.M. Food and drink costs are not covered.

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Thursday, October 26, 2023 (Break Out Sessions – Salon C)

7:30 – 8:30 Breakfast

(8:00 - 12:00 noon Late Registration)

TRACK TWO (A.M.) – CHILD SUPPORT (Salon B)

8:30 – 9:15 **2Generation Approach with Social Services**

Cynthia Juniper, MA, University of Texas at Austin

9:15 – 10:00 **Federal Child Support Priorities and Proposed Legislative Updates**

U.S. Department of Health & Human Services

Office of Child Support Services

Artish Fountain, Office of the Administration for Children & Families

10:00 – 10:15 **BREAK**

10:15 – 11:00 **Procedural Justice in Child Support**

Barbara Lacina, IV-D Director, Virginia Department of Social Services

Amanda Vasquez, Division Chief of Program Innovation (OAG-CSD)

11:00 – 11:15 **BREAK**

11:15 – 12:00 **International Parent Child Abduction**

U.S. Department of State

Taylor Hofmeyer and Micaela Baldivieso Gutierrez

Bureau of Consular Affairs

12:00 – 1:30 **LUNCH – Dr. David Romo Speaker (Atrium)**

TADRO Membership Meeting

TRACK TWO (P.M.) CHILD SUPPORT (Salon C)

1:30 – 2:15 **Motivational Interviewing**

Elizabeth Calvillo

Juvenile Probation Training Officer

2:15 – 3:00 **OAG IV-D Overview**

Ryan Morrow, Deputy Division Chief, Office of the Attorney

General (OAG) of Texas

3:00-3:15 **BREAK**

3:15-4:00 **Family Law and the Military**

Stephanie Hebert, J.D. Fort Bliss Legal Assistance Office

4:00-4:15 **BREAK**

4:10 - 5:00 **Pro Se Services in Family Law Cases**

Judge Marlene Gonzalez, 388th District Court

Jane McMahon, JD, Harris County DRO

Clint Dupew, JD, Tarrant County DRO

Roberto Ramos, JD El Paso County DRO

Natalie Macias, JD, El Paso County DRO

6:00-9:00 **Conference Social at the West Texas Chophouse. Meet for the bus in front of the hotel by 6:00 P.M. Food and drink costs are not covered.**

Friday, October 27, 2023, Salon A&B

7:30 – 8:30 Breakfast

8:00 – 12:00 **General Session**

8:30 – 9:15 **Active Shooter**

Lt. Correy Harrison

El Paso County Sherriff's Office

9:15- 10:00 **Using A.I. and Self-Kiosk to Serve Better**

Paul McManus, CEO

Advance Robotics Solutions

10:00 – 10:15 **BREAK**

10:15 – 11:00 **Mental Health – In Your Own Voice**

Christina Alcantar

Program Coordinator

NAMI El Paso (National Alliance on Mental Illness)

11:00 **Adjourn**