



Texas Association of Domestic Relations Offices
38th ANNUAL CONFERENCE
OCTOBER 25-27, 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 also available for use within a 3-mile radius of the hotel.

Conference Social

Thursday evening, October 26, 2023, dinner will be at the West Texas Chop House. Transportation will be provided. The bus leaves at 6:00 P.M. and returns at 9:30 P.M.

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

Morning break

Lunch

Afternoon break

Reception Appetizer

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

- 11:30 – 4:30 p.m. **Registration** (Atrium)
- 12:00– 12:15 p.m. **Opening Remarks & Announcements**
Brian Stanley, President TADRO
Director, El Paso County DRO, El Paso
- 12:15 – 12:30 p.m. **Welcome Address**
Honorable Ricardo Samaniego
El Paso County Judge
- 12:30 – 12:45 p.m. **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 p.m. **Life Lessons**
J. Mark Warren
- 3:30 – 3:45 p.m. **BREAK**
- 3:45 – 4:30 p.m. **Legislative Update**
Judge Laura Strathmann, IV-D COURT
Judge Jesus Rodriguez, County Court #5
- 4:30 – 5:30 p.m. **Board Meeting** (LOCATION)
- 5:30 p.m. **ADJOURN**
- 5:00 – 7:30 p.m. **Reception** (Hotel Atrium)
Appetizers and Cash Bar

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

7:30 – 8:30 Breakfast

8:00 – 12:00 noon Late Registration

TRACK ONE (A.M.) – FAMILY TOPICS (Salon A)

- 8:30 – 9:15 **Setting the Stage: Communicating with Children for Age-appropriate Video Recorded Interviews**
New Mexico State University
Marriage and Family Therapy Graduate Students
- 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)

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 Fountan, Office of the Administration for Children & Families
- 10:00 – 10:15 **BREAK**
- 10:15 – 11:00 **Procedural Justice in Child Support**
Barbra Licina, 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. State Department
Taylor Hofmeyer and Rebecca Koucheravy
Bureau of Consular Affairs

12:00 – 1:30

LUNCH – Dr. David Romo Speaker

TRACK ONE (P.M.) FAMILY TOPICS

- 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 Dynamics of Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault**
Pablo Ortega -Center Against Sexual and Family Violence
- 4:00- 4:15 **BREAK**
- 4:15-5:00 **Multicultural Counseling**
Dr. Luis Vázquez
Regents Professor Emeritus
New Mexico State University

TRACK TWO (P.M.) CHILD SUPPORT

- 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/ David Simpson JD Harris County DRO & Clint Depew JD. Tarrant County DRO/ Roberto Ramos, JD and Natalie Macias JD, El Paso County DRO

6:00 – 9:30 p.m.

Conference Social – West Texas Chophouse Restaurant - Meet for the bus in front of the Hotel by 6:00 P.M.
7723 Paseo Del Norte, El Paso, Tx 79912

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Friday, October 27, 2023

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