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Upcoming Database Trainings & CLE's

The Law Library is hosting two CLE's this summer. The first will be on **June 19th** and will be a **Lexis Advance Training**. The second will be on **August 7th** and will be our second **Westlaw Training**. This course will focus on Criminal Law in your practice. **Both CLE's will be in County Court at Law #1 in the Justice Center.** The **Lexis Training** will be at **1 pm**. The **Westlaw Training** is still **TBA**. For more information, contact the Law Library at 281-341-3718.

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New & Updated Resources

Vernon's Texas Codes Annotated

- *CPRC Vols. 1, 4, 4A*
- *Health and Safety Vols. 1—4*

Texas Rules of Court

- *State, Federal, and Local*
- *Incl. Key Rules*

Texas Legal Practice Forms

- *Volumes 1—4*
- *2017 Edition*

Texas Family Law Practice and Procedure

- *Release 75*
- *2017 Update*

Texas Litigation Guide

- *Release 124*
- *2017 Update*

United States Code Annotated

- *Aliens and Nationality*
- *Copyrights*
- *2017 Editions*

Federal Criminal Appeals

- *2017 Edition*

Defense of Drunk Driving Cases

- *Release 106*
- *2017 Update*

Federal Tax Practice and Procedure

- *Release 16*
- *2017 update*

Texas Practice Series

- *Juvenile Law and Practice*
- *2017 Update*

FBC Bar News

The **April luncheon and meeting** of the Fort Bend County Bar Association will be held at **12:00 pm** on Thursday, **April 27th** at the [Pecan Grove Plantation Country Club](#) located at 3000 Plantation Drive, Richmond, Texas. The program topic is the **Texas Supreme Court Update**. The Speaker will be the **Sean Michael Reagan**. The program is approved for 1 hour CLE credit and .25 hours ethics credit. The luncheon cost is \$25 for members and \$30 for non-members. [Membership information](#) and the [RSVP Policy for Luncheons](#) are also on the website.

Please RSVP no later than 12:00 p.m. on Thursday, **April 20th** by using the form on the [Next CLE Luncheon](#) page.

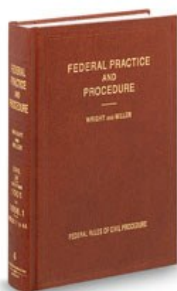
Member Resources

[Click here for Member Resources](#)

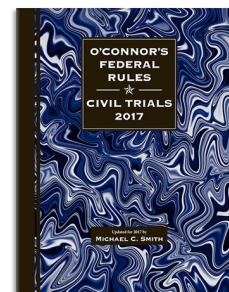
Featured Resources: Federal Collection

FEDERAL CRIMINAL PRACTICE

BY HARRY BOSS,
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Did you know the Law Library has a Federal Collection? While much smaller than our Texas Collection, our Federal Collection has many useful resources to help you in your practice. We have a complete set of United States Code Annotated, Federal Practice and Procedure, Handbook of Federal Evidence, and West's Federal Forms. In addition, we have United States Supreme Court Cases from 1953 to the present. Additional topics include Federal Criminal Practice and Appeals, Habeas Corpus Practice and Procedure, Immigration, and Intellectual Property. Many of these titles have forms to download on our databases in Word format. Copies can be made for \$0.10 a page. For more information, contact the Law Library.



Technology Corner

By Andrew Bennett

In this column, we examine technology in the Law Library that you can use in your practice.

This Month's Featured Technology: *National Primary Plus*

The Law Library has added a new collection to Lexis Advance. This collection, entitled National Primary Plus, includes all Federal Primary Law. To search, simply click on the Lexis Advance logo on the desktop. Follow the sign in instructions, then search for the item you need. Type in "United States Code" or "Code of Federal Regulations." Documents can be printed for \$0.10 a page. Documents can also be emailed or downloaded. For a demonstration, take an Express Class, call the Library at 281-341-3718.



Community News

- **Fort Bend Lawyers Care** is holding a **Legal Line** every Friday from **10 am to 12 pm**. **Volunteer attorneys are needed!** If you would like to help low-income residents and veterans of Fort Bend County, information about volunteering is available by email at Tasha@fortbendlawyerscare.org.
- The **Fort Bend County Criminal Defense Attorney's Association** will host a one-hour CLE at **noon** on Thursday, **April 20th** at **County Court at Law # 4** in the Justice Center. It is approved for 1 hour CLE credit. For more information, visit the [FBCCDAA Events webpage](#).
- **Fort Bend Lawyers Care** is hosting its **Justice for All Luncheon** on **April 20th** at **11 am** at the Sweetwater Country Club. The Keynote Speaker will be Pete Olson, United States Representative from the 22nd District of Texas. For more information, contact Tasha Hernandez by email at Tasha@fortbendlawyerscare.org.
- The **Harris County Law Library** is hosting a **Vendor Visit** during their **Legal Tech Institute** on Thursday, April 27th at noon. This program will focus on **Family Law Research using Westlaw**. This program has been approved for **1 hour CLE credit**. For more information or to register, visit their [website](#).



Texas Lawyers

Assistance Program

The State Bar of Texas offers confidential assistance to attorneys, judges, and law students who are facing substance abuse and mental health issues through its [Lawyers Assistance Program](#). Professional staff members are available 24/7 by phone to help with crisis counseling and referrals to local professionals and support groups. For assistance, call 1-800-343-8527.

To Include Items in the Newsletter

If you have any information on upcoming CLEs, conferences, etc. that you think would be useful to include in the newsletter, please send an email to abennett@fortbend.lib.tx.us with "Newsletter" as the subject.

Express Class

Have you tried all the new features on Lexis Advance or Westlaw? Lexis has the new keyword mapping and Westlaw has Practical Law. **Sign up now for Lexis Advance or Westlaw EXPRESS CLASSES!** Classes are **15-minutes each**, on **Thursday** mornings from **10 am – 12 pm**. You can choose from additional classes such as Hein Online, and O'Connor's Online. Registration is required. Call **281-341-3718** to register.

To Unsubscribe from the Newsletter

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Texas Case Law Update

Local Cases

- [Powell, Gerald](#), No. PD-1441-16, (March 22, 2017): PDR refused. (400th Dist.)
- [Mandala v. PNC Bank](#), No. 14-15-01079-CV, (March 23, 2017): dismissed. (434th Dist.)
- [Pegues v. State](#), No. 01-16-00317-CR, (March 28, 2017): rev'd TC judgment and remand to TC. (434th Dist.)
- [Ifiesimama v. Haile](#), No. 01-15-00829-CV, (March 30, 2017): modify TC judgment and aff'd TC judgment as modified. (400th Dist.)
- [Young v. Parent](#), No. 01-16-00499-CV, (March 30, 2017): aff'd TC judgment in part, rev'd TC judgment in part, and remand to TC. (400th Dist.)
- [Jaiyeoba v. Country Title](#), No. 16-0589, (March 31, 2017): rehearing denied. (268th Dist.)
- [Ex Parte Rogers](#), No. 01-17-00032-CR, (April 4, 2017): appeal dismissed. (268th Dist.)
- [Matthias v. Gilbert](#), No. 14-16-00640-CV, (April 4, 2017): dismissed. (400th Dist.)
- [Morrison, Antonnyer](#), No. PD-1395-16, (April 5, 2017): State's PDR refused. (240th Dist.)
- [Kaplan v. City of Sugar Land](#), No. 14-15-00381-CV, (April 6, 2017): aff'd. (240th Dist.)
- [Brown v. Wokocha](#), No. 01-15-00759-CV, (April 11, 2017): aff'd. (328th Dist.)
- [Pate v. State](#), No. 01-16-00569-CR, (April 11, 2017): aff'd. (CCL #2)

Family Law

- *Kramer v. Kastleman*, 508 S.W.3d 211 (Tex. 2017): it was held that the acceptance-of-benefits doctrine does not prevent challenging the divorce decree on appeal.

Criminal Law

- *Cary v. State*, 507 S.W.3d 750 (Tex. Crim. App. 2016): it was held that it was not bribery when defendant supported a candidate to run against the sitting Judge.
- *Rivera v. State*, 507 S.W.3d 844 (Tex. App.—Houston [1st Dist.] 2016): it was determined that the evidence did not support that the defendant engaged in illegal horse racing while not having a race track license.
- *Pena v. State*, 508 S.W.3d 599 (Tex. App.—El Paso 2016): the trial court abused its discretion when it took away probation based upon the defendant's "invocation of his privilege against self-incrimination."

Estate Planning and Probate

- In *Matter of Guardianship of Virgil*, 508 S.W.3d 591 (Tex. App.—El Paso 2016): the ordering of the warranty deed null and void, because it was determined that the grantor was not able to convey property, was not abuse of discretion.

For more information on recent cases, visit the Law Library.