



**Public Utility Law Section**  
 Annual Conference  
 Friday, August 10, 2018  
 AT&T Executive Conference Center  
 1900 University Avenue  
 Austin, Texas 78705

TIME	2018 PROGRAM
7:30 am	Continental Breakfast
8:30 am	Annual Section Meeting
9:00 am	<b><i>Case Law Update</i></b> Amy Davis and Jessica Soos, Office of the Attorney General (0.50)
9:30 am	<b><i>Latest Hot Topics at the Texas Railroad Commission</i></b> (0.50) <u>Moderator:</u> Dane McKaughan, Partner, Holland & Knight LLP <u>Panelists:</u> Alexander Schoch, General Counsel and Natalie Dubiel, Attorney, Texas Railroad Commission
10:00 am	<b><i>Keynote Presentation:</i></b> Chad V. Seely, General Counsel, Electric Reliability Council of Texas, Inc., <i>The Role of ERCOT's Legal Department: The Who, the What and the Why?</i> (0.50)
10:30 am	Break
10:45 am	<b><i>Alternative Technologies in the Electric Utility Industry</i></b> (0.75) <u>Moderator:</u> Mark Walker, Of Counsel, Clark Hill Strasburger <u>Panelists:</u> Suzanne Bertin, Executive Director, Texas Advanced Energy Business Alliance; Emily Jolly, Partner, Enoch Keever PLLC; Jeff Billo, Senior Manager of Transmission Planning, ERCOT; Melvin Schoech, Manager of Research and Development, CenterPoint Energy
11:30 am	<b><i>Latest Hot Topics in the Water Utility Industry</i></b> (0.75) <u>Moderator:</u> Leonard Dougal, Partner, Jackson Walker LLP <u>Panelists:</u> Paul Terrill, Partner, Terrill & Waldrop; Georgia Crump, Partner, Lloyd Gosselink
12:30 pm	<b><i>Keynote Luncheon Presentation:</i></b> Chairman DeAnn T. Walker, Public Utility Commission of Texas, <i>Important Regulatory and Policy Topics at the PUCT, including the Summer of 2018</i> (0.50)
1:15 pm	Break
1:30 pm	<b><i>Competitive Transmission Development in Non-ERCOT areas in Texas</i></b> (0.75) <u>Moderator:</u> Lori Cobos, Cobos Law Firm <u>Panelists:</u> Stephen Fogel, Assistant General Counsel, Xcel Energy Services, Inc.; Beth Emery, Senior Vice President, General Counsel & Secretary, GridLiance; Katherine Coleman, Partner, Thompson & Knight LLP
2:15 pm	<b><i>Latest Developments in Telecommunications and Cable</i></b> (0.75) <u>Moderator and General Update:</u> Brad Bayliff, Bayliff Law Firm PLLC <u>Panelists Focusing on Rights-of-Way Access:</u> Katherine Mudge, Partner, Enoch Keever PLLC; Robert Heath, Partner, Bickerstaff Heath Delgado Acosta LLP
3:00 pm	<b><i>Keynote Presentation:</i></b> Commissioner Arthur D'Andrea, Public Utility Commission of Texas, <i>Current Status of Agency Deference in Texas state courts and the U.S. Supreme Court and the Impact on Current and Future Legal Advocacy before State Agencies</i> (0.50)
3:30 pm	Break



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3:45pm	<b>Keynote Presentation:</b> Mark Havens, Chief Clerk & Deputy Land Commissioner, Texas General Land Office, <i>The GLO's Role in the Texas Electricity, Gas and Water Industries, Including Legal and Policy Priorities</i> (0.50)
4:15 pm	<b>Ethics Presentation: <i>Complying with Ethics Laws at the Texas Legislature and Executive Branch</i></b> Gardner Pate, Gardner Pate PLLC (0.50, including 0.50 ethics)
4:45 pm	Adjourn

Approved for 6.50 hours of MCLE credit,  
including 0.50 hours of Ethics; Administrative Law Specialization  
Credit.

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