

**2014 Fundamentals of Immigration and Nationality Law**  
**October 15, 2014 • Radisson Hotel and Suites, Austin-Downtown • Austin, TX**  
**October 15, 2014 • Live Webcast**

**Wednesday Afternoon, Oct. 15, 2014**

**Presiding Officer:**

**Sarah E. Woelk**, Casa Marianella Immigration Legal Services - Austin, TX

12:00 pm In Austin Only	<b>Registration Opens</b>
12:50 pm	<b>Welcoming Remarks</b>
1:00 pm 1.00 hr	<b>United States Immigration Laws: An Overview</b>  A discussion of the interplay of unlawful presence, out of status, nonimmigrant, immigrant and citizenship status for foreign nationals, their employers and their families.  Paul Parsons, Paul Parsons, PC - Austin, TX
2:00 pm 0.50 hr	<b>Immigration Agencies and Basic Terms</b>  An overview of the various immigration agencies and basic immigration terminology.  Barbara Hines, The University of Texas School of Law - Austin, TX
2:30 pm 1.00 hr	<b>Introduction to Family Immigration Practice</b>  Family reunification has long been the cornerstone of our immigration policy, accounting for two-thirds of all immigration to the U.S. in a given year. This overview discusses family visa categories, the qualifications for each, and the application procedures which govern family petitions.  M. Elizabeth "Liz" Cedillo-Pereira, Cedillo-Pereira & Associates, PLLC - Dallas, TX Vanna Slaughter, Catholic Charities of Dallas, Inc. - Dallas, TX
3:30 pm	<b>Break</b>
3:45 pm 1.00 hr	<b>Introduction to Removal Proceedings</b>  An overview of Immigration Court procedures, defenses and discretionary relief.  Barbara Hines, The University of Texas School of Law - Austin, TX Stephanie Rodriguez Taylor, American Gateways - Austin, TX
4:45 pm	<b>WELCOME RECEPTION (4:45 p.m. to 6:45 p.m.)</b>  Meet and network with your fellow immigration law practitioners for drinks, hors d'oeuvres and a lively ethics presentation at 5:15 p.m.

5:15 pm  
1.00 hr ethics

### **Immigration Case Management and Beginning Ethics**

An immigration practice involves much more than filling out forms. Explore the ethical and practical issues that new practitioners should prepare for.

Michelle L. Saenz-Rodriguez, Saenz-Rodriguez & Associates, P.C. - Dallas, TX  
Jacqueline L. Watson, Law Office of Thomas Esparza, Jr., P.C. - Austin, TX

6:15 pm

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