



# TAX SECTION

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## 2026 Property Tax Seminar

April 2, 2026

6.25 CLE Hours (1.0 Ethics) ▪ Course #

University of Texas Thompson Conference Center, Austin, Texas

SESSION	CLE CREDIT	SESSION TIME
<b><i>Welcome and Opening Remarks</i></b>  Tracy M. Turner, JD Gray Winston & Hart Dallas, TX		8:45 – 9:00
<b><i>Case Law Panel</i></b>  Spencer Banks, JD Estes & Gandhi, PC Dallas, TX  Lori Michel, JD Michel Rogers Maloney Austin, TX  Tyler McCarty, JD McCreary Veselka Brag & Allen PC Round Rock, TX  Kirk Swinney, JD Low Swinney Evans & James Cedar Park, TX	60 minutes	9:00 – 10:00
<b><i>Break</i></b>		10:00 - 10:15
<b><i>Governmental Immunity</i></b>  Edward Lopez, JD Linebarger Dallas, TX	45 minutes	10:15 – 11:00

<p><b>More Cases, Same Roll: How Districts Are Meeting Litigation Demand</b></p> <p>Paul Schiano, JD Bexar Central Appraisal District</p> <p>Michael Gary, JD Fort Bend Appraisal District</p> <p>Diane McCarthy Harris Central Appraisal District</p> <p>Dustin Banks, JD Travis Central Appraisal District Austin, Texas</p>	<p>60 minutes</p>	<p>11:00 – 12:00</p>
<p><b>Break for Lunch</b></p>		<p>12:00– 1:30</p>
<p><b>Ethics: Using AI Without Crossing Ethical Lines</b></p> <p>Jake O'Shea Antler Austin, Texas</p>	<p>60 minutes</p>	<p>1:30 – 2:30</p>
<p><b>Strategies for Working Towards Successful Settlements in Property Tax Appeals</b></p> <p>Danny Smith, JD Ryan Law Austin, TX</p> <p>Corey Ouslander, JD Olson &amp; Olson Houston, Texas</p>	<p>45 minutes</p>	<p>2:30 – 3:15</p>
<p><b>Break</b></p>		<p>3:15 – 3:30</p>
<p><b>Equal &amp; Uniform: USPAP, Scope of Work, and the Appraisal as Problem Solving</b></p> <p>Stephen DePlantis, MAI Newmark Valuation &amp; Advisory Houston, TX</p> <p>Gary Brown, MAI Valuation Advisory Houston, TX</p>	<p>45 minutes</p>	<p>3:15 – 4:00</p>
<p><b>Exemption Litigation – A Different Beast</b></p> <p>Eric Farr Perdue Brandon Fielder Collins &amp; Mott Austin, TX</p> <p>Stephen Grant, JD Ryan Law Austin, Tx</p>	<p>60 minutes</p>	<p>4:00 – 5:00</p>