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**LUBBOCK COUNTY
TRAVEL AUTHORIZATION & PER DIEM REQUEST**

THE DEPARTMENT DIRECTOR IS RESPONSIBLE FOR SECURING ALL SIGNATURES PRIOR TO TRAVEL. AN APPROVED TRAVEL AUTHORIZATION MUST BE SUBMITTED TO THE AUDITOR'S OFFICE ACCORDING TO THE ACCOUNTS PAYABLE PAYMENT SCHEDULE TO RECEIVE A TRAVEL ADVANCE. AGENDAS, BROCHURES, FLYERS, OR OTHER SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS MUST BE ATTACHED.

NAME: Hatch, Les DATE: 3/12/2024
Last First

DESTINATION(CITY,STATE): Santa Fe, New Mexico

PURPOSE: Annual TEX-ABOTA Santa Fe CLE Roundup

TRAVEL DATE(S): June 13 - June 16

Per Diem requested by the _____ day of _____, _____.

_____ # of Breakfasts	@ \$15.00	per meal	=	\$	<u>0.00</u>
_____ # of Lunches	@ \$16.00	per meal	=	\$	<u>0.00</u>
_____ # of Dinners	@ \$30.00	per meal	=	\$	<u>0.00</u>
Total Advance				=	\$ <u>0.00</u>

Org: _____ Object: _____

I hereby request authorization to travel outside Lubbock County on official business as detailed above. I have read the Lubbock County Travel Policy and will follow that policy for travel and in making requests for advancement and reimbursement of expenses. I understand that I must submit a travel expense form within ten days of returning from this travel or the full advance will be deducted from my next paycheck.

Amy Collier for Les Hatch
EMPLOYEE SIGNATURE

3/12/2024
DATE

I hereby certify the above-requested travel for official Lubbock County business is directly related to this department's operations. There are sufficient unexpended funds in the current budget line item to cover all reimbursable expenses incurred. **Agendas, brochures, flyers, and supporting documents are attached and 0 meals are included in the registration fee and will not be reimbursed.** Please issue a travel expense advance if requested.

Amy Collier for Dean Stanzone
DEPARTMENT DIRECTOR

3/12/2024
DATE

APPROVAL FROM TWO (2) MEMBERS OF THE COMMISSIONERS' COURT:

SIGNATURE

DATE

SIGNATURE

DATE

NOTE: ALL SIGNATURES ARE REQUIRED FOR TRAVEL AND/OR PER DIEM ADVANCES. FAILURE TO FILL OUT THE FORM CORRECTLY OR PROVIDE PROPER DOCUMENTATION MAY CAUSE A DELAY IN TRAVEL AUTHORIZATION AND PER DIEM ADVANCES.



TEX-ABOTA SANTA FE CLE ROUNDUP

June 13 - June 16

DETAILS

Start:

June 13 (2024-06-13)

End:

June 16 (2024-06-16)

Event Category:

TEX-ABOTA

ORGANIZER

TEX-ABOTA

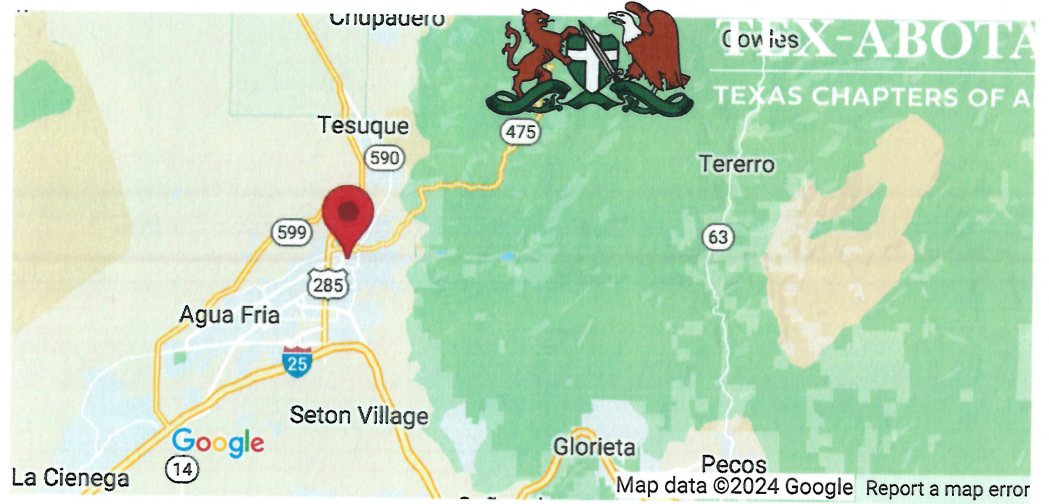
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Related Events



TEX-ABOTA
The Texas Chapters of ABOTA

Santa Fe Speakers

Mike Bassett – (Dallas)

Mike is a civil litigation attorney who has practiced law for nearly 4 decades in Dallas. He will candidly share with us his story of how he made poor decisions that completely changed his life. He was arrested by the FBI, pled guilty to criminal charges in federal court, and was sentenced to spend time in a half-way house. His rehabilitation and return to the practice of law is the topic of his presentation and of his book, *Man in the Ditch*.

Dan Caldwell, Rusty Hardin & Dick DeGuerin (Houston)

They will analyze, from both sides, the impeachment trial of Attorney General Ken Paxton. They will give us insight into how to try a law suit when every juror is disqualified as a matter of law, when supporters of the defendant are contacting and pressuring the jurors, and when friends of the defendant had recently given the judge \$3.0 million.

David Chamberlain & Guy Choate (Austin and San Angelo)

David and Guy have become *Barnham and Bailey* of TEX-ABOTA, each year covering the circus that is the Texas Legislature. Each year after their presentations, attendees shake their heads and say, "Well, it can't get any worse." But David and Guy never disappoint.

La Verne Edney – (Jackson, Mississippi)

Ms. Edney is President of National ABOTA and will discuss the efforts National ABOTA is making to defend the jury system and preserve judicial independence in these dangerous times.

Stephen Jones (Enid, Oklahoma)

Stephen Jones is a lawyer in the small town of Enid, Oklahoma, but he is by no means a "small-town lawyer." He has represented such diverse organizations as the Nation of Islam and the Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Oklahoma City, the NAACP and members of the Ku Klux Klan, Vietnam war deserters and Vietnam war protesters, draft evaders, and ex-CIA employees and members of federal law enforcement. He successfully defended Abbie Hoffman on charges of inciting a riot. Mr. Jones was appointed to defend Timothy McVeigh, indicted for the bombing Federal Courthouse in Oklahoma City. The bomb caused 168 deaths, 500 serious physical injuries, and resulted in 200 buildings being demolished because of structural damage.

Stephen Shackelford (New York) & Elizabeth Hadaway (Houston)

Two of the lead Plaintiff's lawyers that obtained a \$787.5 million settlement for Dominion Voting Systems from Fox News. Dominion argued that Fox damaged the company's reputation by peddling phony conspiracy theories that claimed its equipment switched votes from Donald Trump to Joe Biden. Texts and emails showed Fox executives and personalities knew the accusations were untrue, but aired the claims to win back viewers. who were fleeing the network after it correctly called hotly contested Arizona for Biden on election night.

Kathy Snapka (Corpus Christi) will interview past TEX-ABOTA President and former appellate judge the **Hon. Alice Oliver Parrott** and ABOTA member **Hon. Gina Benavides**, current justice of the 13th Court of Appeals. Kathy has chosen the topic of *"Why Men Make Better Judges Than Women."*

Camille Vasquez (Orange County, CA)

Camille is a partner in the Los Angeles firm of Brown Rudnik. She was named *The American Lawyers' 2023*, "Young Lawyer of the Year." She has represented well-known personalities including, Ben Affleck, Leonardo DiCaprio, and Jennifer Lopez.

One of her specialties is the representation of plaintiffs in defamation cases. She gained worldwide fame for her successful representation of actor Johnny Depp in a defamation trial against his ex-wife and actress Amber Heard last year. Depp was awarded \$15 million and Heard \$2 million on her counter claim.

Stephen Vladick – (Austin, Texas) –

Professor Vladick holds the Charles Alan Wright Chair in Federal Courts at the University of Texas School of Law and is a nationally recognized expert on federal courts and constitutional law. He has argued before the Supreme Court and has been CNN's Supreme Court Analyst since 2013. He will talk to us about his *New York Times* best-seller, *"The Shadow Docket: How the Supreme Court Uses Stealth Rulings to Amass Power and Undermine the Republic."*

Judge Patricia Whelan (Vermont)

Hon. Patricia Whalen has been a judge for more than 20 years, having presided over a family court in United States and serving for 5 years as an international judge in the War Crimes Chamber of Bosnia and Herzegovina. Judge Whalen is part of a small group of international women judges who have coordinated evacuations that helped Afghan women judges and their families flee to safety. After the Taliban returned to power in 2021 the lives of women judges were threatened. So far, her group has saved over 250 women judges.