

FINAL SESSION SCHEDULE FOR 2009 LIFE IN THE BALANCE & NASAMS SENTENCING ADVOCACY TRAINING

Sessi on Time	Ile de France 1	Ile de France 2	Ile de France 3	Maurepas	St. Jerome	Conde	Orleans	Rosalie	St. Claude	Rex – 8 th floor
SATURDAY, MARCH 7, 2009										
08:30 - 10:00	LITB Opening Plenary Welcome – Jean Faria Topic: Avoiding Executions Through Pleas Speaker: Richard Bourke									
10:30 - 11:30	NASAMS Opening Plenary Presidential Address – Lori James- Townes Welcome – Jean Faria Keynote Address New Outcomes in Racial Disparity Research & Impact on Sentencing and Policy Speaker: Marc Mauer	Topic: Beyond the Narrative: Using Mitigation Documentaries to Promote Compassion, Discourage Authorization, and Persuade for Life. Speakers: Melinda Cunningham & Dani Waller	Topic: Capital Defense Investigation 101 Speaker: Watani Tyehimba	Topic: Hypnotically Enhanced/ Recovered Memories Speaker: Janice Stevenson	Topic: Atkins Investigations: The Role & Responsibilities of the Mitigation Specialist Speaker: Juliet Yackel	Topic: Neuropsychologi cal Assessment & Brain Impairment Speaker: Dale Watson	ETHICS Topic: Public Defender Caseloads: Standards, Ethics, & the Obligations of Trial Attorneys and Their Supervisors Speaker: Richard Goemann	Topic: Pre-Trial Motions: How to Change the Rules from Defense to Offense Speaker: John Mauldin	Topic: Men's Rage Speaker: Cessie Alfonso	

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11:45 - 12:45		Topic: Interviewing & History-Taking Skills: Questions and Skills Speakers: Mark Cunningham & Dani Waller	ETHICS Topic: Permanent Insanity? Facts, Figures, and Discussion on Systemic Problems in U.S. Capital Punishment Jurisdictions Speaker: Sarah Turberville	Topic: Applying Lessons Learned from Guantanamo about Torture, Human Rights & Culture Speaker: Scharlette Holdman	Topic: The Dysfunctional Family: Identifying Strengths, Weaknesses and Roles in Your Client's Family Speaker: Rebecca Ohler	Topic: Illustrating Developmental Adversity Using Geographic Information Systems (GIS) Speakers: Amy Nguyen & Tom Reidy	Topic: Needles in a Haystack: Finding Witnesses Speaker: Aaron Walker	Topic: Confronting Issues of Race and Class in Capital Case Investigations Speaker: Watani Tyehimba		
02:15 - 03:15		Topic: Written Storytelling for Direct Appeal – Part 1 Speaker: Ira Mickenberg	Topic: Interviewing Skills for Mitigation Specialists: an Overview Speaker: Janice Stevenson	Topic: U.S. Supreme Court Capital Case Update Speakers: Lawrence Benner & Marshall Hartman	Topic: Expressing Unique Challenges of Juveniles Speakers: Cheri Deatsch & Carol Kolinchak	Topic: Trauma: Symptoms, Effects & Dynamics Speaker: Fred Sautter	Topic: Organizing Chaos through Technology: Successes and Failures Speakers: Penny Marshall & Jacob Sussman	Topic: Risk & Resiliency Pt. 1 Speaker: Michael Cunningham	Topic: Identifying & Presenting Cognitive Impairment Speaker: Victoria Swanson	
03:30 - 04:30		Topic: Written Storytelling for Direct Appeal – Part 2 Speaker: Ira Mickenberg	Topic: Advanced Interviewing Skills for Mitigation Specialists Speaker: Cessie Alfonso	Topic: The Client's Family as a Resource Speakers: Tonya McClary & Claudia Whitman	Topic: Interviewing Child Witnesses Speakers: James Beane & Janice Stevenson	Topic: Who's from Mars and Who's from Venus: Women Discuss Their Roles in Capital Defense Speakers: Lori James- Townes & Penny Marshall	Topic: Developing & Presenting Skipper Evidence Speaker: Danalynn Recer	Topic: Risk & Resiliency Pt. 2 Speaker: Michael Cunningham	Topic: Developing Mental Health Records Where None Exist Speaker: Mark Cunningham	
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SUNDAY, MARCH 8, 2009										
08:30 - 10:00	LITB PLENARY Presentation of Life in the Balance Achievement Award Topic: Saving Nichols . . . A Team's Approach to Capital Defense Speakers: Henderson Hill, Lori James-Townes, Penny Marshall, Jacob Sussman & Watani Tyehimba					9 – 10am Topic: Analyzing Life History Records Speaker: Michelle Wydra	9 – 10 am Topic: Using Technology to Get Your Point Across Speaker: Pam VanderMeer	9 – 10 am Topic: Navigating the Land of Private Practice Speakers: Anna Bulkin, Beth Cahill & Melissa Lang	9 – 10am Topic: Understanding the Federal System Speaker: Jim Tibensky	
10:30 - 11:30		Topic: MH/MR Testing: What to Do, What Not to Do Speaker: Dick Burr & Dale Watson	Topic: Traumatic Byproducts of Our Work: The Importance of Self-Care Speaker: Lori James-Townes	Topic: Violence Risk: Always an Issue Speakers: Mark Cunningham, Tom Reidy & Dani Waller	Topic: Effective Oral Argument in State and Federal Court, including Federal Habeas Appeals Speaker: Mark Olive	ETHICS Topic: Division 33: A National Perspective on Atkins Litigation from the APA Speakers: Victoria Swanson & Juliette Yackel	Topic: Deciphering Educational Records Speaker: Jim Patton	Topic: Jury Selection Speaker: John Mauldin	Topic: Race & Class Speaker: Cessie Alfonso	

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11:45 - 12:45		Topic: Mitigation: Remorse & Redemption Speaker: Dick Burr	Topic: A Guide to Capital Cases from Start to Finish Speakers: John Holdridge & Ira Mickenberg	Topic: Voir Dire'ing on Race Speaker: Henderson Hill	Topic: Developing & Presenting the Impact of Poverty as Mitigation Speaker: Danalynn Recer	Topic: Federal Habeas Corpus Overview Speaker: Mandy Welch	Topic: Ethics for Social Workers Working in Public Defender Offices Speakers: Betsy Biben & Melissa Kupferberg	Topic: The Investigator's Role on the Capital Defense Team Speakers: Melanie Carr, Watani Tyehimba & Jen Vitry	Topic: Re-entry Programs: Current Issues & Future Directions Speakers: Norris Henderson & Melissa Sawyer	
1:15 - 2:15										
02:15 - 03:15		Topic: Atkins Issues: Overview of MR, Testing, Litigating Speakers: Dick Burr & Jim Patton	Topic: Storytelling for Sentencing Advocates Speaker: Ira Mickenberg	Topic: Advanced Cross- Examination Speaker: James Beane	PROFESSIONA LISM Topic: The Role, Responsibilities, and Limitations of the Mitigation Specialist Speakers: Cessie Alfonso, Danalynn Recer & Juliet Yackel	Topic: Setting up the Case in State Court Post- Conviction for Victory in Federal Court Speakers: Jen Vitry & Jim Boren	Topic: Proposed Standards for Atkins Assessments Speaker: Mark Cunningham	Topic: Client Interviews: Staying Present with Your Client Speaker: Mairead Burke & Aaron Walker	Topic: Getting Cert Granted/ Writing the Cert Petition Speaker: Mark Olive	Topic: Mental Health Issu Impacting Juvenile Delinquency Speaker: David Katner
03:30 - 04:30		Topic: Debunking Antisocial Personality Disorder Speaker: Kathy Wayland	Topic: Investigating Ineffective Assistance of Counsel Claims Speaker: Ira Mickenberg	ETHICS Topic: The Mechanics and Ethics of Litigating Funding Issues Speaker: John Holdridge	Topic: Faith, Mercy & Redemption: The Role of Religion in Capital Trial Work Speaker: Danalynn Recer	Topic: Developing Facts and Obtaining a Hearing in Federal Habeas Proceedings Speaker: Mandy Welch	Topic: Developmental Factors & Violence in the Community Speaker: Mark Cunningham	Topic: The Approach and The Angle: Interviewing Witnesses Speakers: Mairead Burke & Aaron Walker	Topic: Phases of Mitigation Investigation Speaker: Juliet Yackel	Topic: Finding Communit Treatment Options In Rough Econom Times Speaker: Betsy Biben
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08:30 - 10:00	LITB Plenary Announcement of Marie LeBoeuf Cambell LITB Scholarship Speaker: Jen Vitry Topic: Presenting Mental Health Evidence Speakers: Denny LeBoeuf & Kathy Wayland							9 – 10am Topic: Best Practices in Juvenile Transfer Evaluations Speakers: Monica Lujan & Karen Rabwin	9 – 10am Topic: Telling Your Client's Story: Effective & Persuasive Writing Techniques Speaker: Jim Tibensky	
10:30 - 11:30		Topic: Role of the Mitigation Specialist in Securing Life through a Plea Bargain Speaker: Russ Stetler	Topic: Confronting Racism: Interviewing Witnesses in Racially Charged Cases Speaker: Melanie Carr	Topic: Openings & Closings Speaker: James Beane	Topic: How to Use the Capital Jury Project Findings at Trial Speaker: John Holdridge & Marla Sandys	Topic: Understanding, Attacking & Defending IQ Tests Speaker: Richard Bourke	Topic: Interviewing Prison and Jail Witnesses: Strategies that Gain Cooperation Speakers: Michael Moore & Michelle Wydra	Topic: Cultural Influences on Behavior & Defense Strategy Speaker: Cessie Alfonso	Topic: Get In, Get Out Interviewing Techniques Speaker: Anna Bulkin	
11:45 - 12:45		Topic: Understanding the DSM and Changes Over Time Speaker: Kathy Wayland	Topic: Using Graphics, Charts, Pictures, and Visual Aids Speaker: Ira Mickenberg	Topic: Knowledge is Power: How Working With a Jury Consultant Can Make You Strong Speakers: Kerry Cucia & Eda Gordon	Topic: Imprisoning the Innocent: Wrongful Conviction and its Effect on the Criminal Justice System Speaker: Robert Glass & John "JT" Thompson	Topic: Capital Law for Mitigators Speaker: Denny LeBoeuf	Topic: The Open End of the Funnel: Interviewing Witnesses with Mental Health Issues Speakers: Danalynn Recer	Topic: What Your Mitigation Expert Can Do for You Speaker: Juliet Yackel	Topic: Assessing Your Client's Extralegal Needs: Innovation in Defense Practice in Louisiana Speaker: Heather Hall	

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02:15 - 03:15		PROFESSIONA LISM Topic: Defense-Initiated Victim Outreach Speaker: Kelly Branham	Topic: Emerging Trends in Sex Offender Treatment Speaker: Ashley Smith	ETHICS Topic: Supplementary Guidelines on the Mitigation Function Speakers: Robin Maher & Russ Stetler	Topic: Gathering Social Histories Speaker: Melissa Kupferberg	Topic: Understanding Learning Disabilities: A Simulated Experience Speaker: Nancy Cowardin	Topic: A Jury of One's Peers: Challenging Systemic Underrepresenta tion in Jury Panels Speaker: Johanna Steinberg	Topic: Unique Considerations in Working with Domestic Violence Victims Speaker: Katherine Mattes	Topic: If You Think You Might Need a Translator, You Do! Speakers: Catherine Chavarri & Kerry Cuccia	
03:30 - 04:30	NASAMS Closing Plenary Topic: Bringing Your Client's Voice Into the Case – A Team Perspective Speakers: Heather Hall, Irene Joe, Johnetta Pressley, Sophia Sarantakos & Darius X,	ETHICS Topic: Challenging Prosecutorial Misconduct in Closing Argument Speaker: Richard Bourke	Topic: Culturally Competent Translation Speaker: Kari Converse & Charles Schmitz	Topic: Dealing with Unpreserved Issues on Direct Appeal Speaker: Ira Mickenberg	Topic: Working with Mentally Ill Clients Speaker: Denny LeBoeuf	Topic: A Buddhist Perspective on Crime & Punishment Speaker: Nancy Cowardin	Topic: Investigation Without the Power of Subpoena: Public Records Investigation Using PRA's, FOIA's, Courthouses, and Other Institutions Speakers: Michael Moore & Michelle Wydra			
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TUESDAY, MARCH 10, 2009								
08:30 - 10:00		Topic: "But if I did kill them . . .": Creating One Theory for Two Phases of Trial Speaker: Richard Bourke	Topic: Getting Funding for Mitigation: What the Mitigation Specialist Needs to Know & Do Speaker: Melanie Carr	Topic: Investigative Lessons from Wrongful Convictions Speaker: Russ Stetler	Topic: DNA: Defeating the Prosecution Case/Presenting the Defense Case - Part 1 of 2 Speakers: Kari Converse & Jason Gilder	Topic: The Rise, Fall and Rise Again of Batson: Litigating Discrimination Claims in a Post-Snyder/Miller-El World Speakers: Rachel Jones & Johanna Steinberg	Topic: What's Happening with Opt-in? Speakers: Robin Maher & Mark Olive	
10:30 - 11:30		Topic: Litigating Fourth Amendment Claims After U.S. v. Herring: The World of Search and Seizure Has Changed Speaker: Ira Mickenberg	Topic: Unearthing the Records that will Save Your Client: Every Resource Everywhere Speaker: Melanie Carr	Topic: Extending Atkins at Trial and in Post-Conviction: The Renewed Proportionality Requirement Speaker: Mark Olive	Topic: DNA: Defeating the Prosecution Case/Presenting the Defense Case - Part 2 of 2 Speakers: Kari Converse & Jason Gilder	Topic: Competency: An Overview of the Current State of the Law and Science Speaker: Christine Lehmann	ETHICS Topic: Using the ABA Guidelines on Capital Defense to Your Advantage – and Getting the Time and Money You Need to be Effective Speaker: Robin Maher	PROFESSIONALISM Topic: Producing the Penalty Phase: Real Lawyers Do Mitigation Speaker: Jim Boren
11:45 - 12:45	LITB Closing Plenary Topic: A Spark of Basic Humanity: Developing & Presenting a Life-Saving Picture of Our Clients Speakers: Jim Boren & Danalynn Recer							