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THE STATE BAR OF TEXAS

30TH ANNUAL INTERNATIONAL LAW INSTITUTE

“Technology, CyberSecurity,
International Law: Now & Beyond”

Thursday, April 5 - Friday, April 6, 2018
The Houstonian Hotel & Spa

**A Retrospective on International Law
in the State of Texas and Beyond**

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Dear Friends,

Welcome to Houston, and to the 30th Annual International Law Institute!

What an honor it is to serve as Chair of the International Law Section of the Texas State Bar (ILS).

Because this year is our 30th anniversary, we've been hard at work to make it our most impactful and high-quality conference to date. The Annual Institute is our flagship event, and we're proud to welcome attendees from all over Texas and around the world.

We're excited to present this year's program centered around our general theme of IT, privacy, and cybersecurity in international law and business. We'll also be addressing important ethics issues, including international human rights. We are proud to report that the ILS has been a leader in international human rights initiatives in the practice of law.

Three decades later and we're still going strong thanks in great part to the countless volunteer hours of our dedicated council members and advisors.

We also want to thank our generous speakers and sponsors without whose support this annual meeting would not be possible.

Thirty years later our mission is going strong: to develop the practice of international law in Texas, bringing international perspective to the State Bar, and helping ILS members be impactful and successful, by creating relevant and meaningful networking opportunities for them; assisting the enhancement of legal skills and knowledge for law students and Texas lawyers practicing international law; promoting the reputation of Texas lawyers as world-class practitioners domestically and internationally; and promoting awareness of best practices and issues involving international law and affecting the public interest. We accomplish this through CLE events in major cities, student outreach and mentorship programs at major law schools, human rights committee and annual trip abroad.

If you're currently not a member, we want to encourage you to join us! Please contact Linda Correll at linda@correll-law.com.

Sincerely,

Michelle Schulz, Chair
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SCHEDULE • THURSDAY, APRIL 5

7:30 Continental Breakfast

8:30 Registration Check-In

8:45 Welcome and Introduction

Michelle Schulz, Chair, International Law Section of the State Bar of Texas; Akerman LLP
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Argentina Trip Announcement

Gabriela Smith, Managing Attorney, The Smith Law Group

CYBER AND TECHNOLOGY

Featuring live demos and hands-on training
with today's top cybersecurity and AI experts
Sponsored by Snap Diligence and McCann Investigations

9:00 The Legal Aspects and Future Legal Implications of Artificial Intelligence in Our Worlds

Daniel Weiss, Founder and Managing Partner, McCann Investigations (Security, Fraud Investigations)

Riaz Siddiqi, Founder and Managing Partner, Denham Capital Management (Private Equity Investment in Energy)

Chris Conger, Defense and National Security Account Executive, SparkCognition (Energy and Defense)

Moderators:

Dorothy Filippov, Chief Operating Officer, Snap Diligence and
Lily Teng, Co-Founder and General Counsel, Orchid Energy Group

10:00 From China to Texas, An AI Legal and Business Case Study

Lily Teng, Co-Founder and General Counsel, Orchid Energy Group

Xiao Xi Zhou, Inventor and Founder, YNew Group (Beijing)

Tina Liu, President, YNew Group

Joe Zhou, Manager, YNew Group

10:30 BREAK

10:45 Blockchain Breakdown: Smart Contracts, Tokenization/Icos, Cryptocurrencies

Moiz Kohari, Senior Vice President and Chief Technology Architect, State Street Corporation

Oliver Diaz, CEO of Gnosys, Inc. Co-Founder of Cynch Group

Ryan McCarthy, Partner, Fish & Richardson

Moderator: Dorothy Filippov, Chief Operating Officer, Snap Diligence

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SCHEDULE • THURSDAY, APRIL 5

11:45 Lunch Buffet Service Begins in Foyer

LUNCHEON PROGRAM

12:00 Human Rights Writing Contest Award Presentation

Tom Wilson, Vinson & Elkins and
Cristina K. Lunders, Norton Rose Fulbright US LLP

12:15 Project Planning, Financing and Completion While Complying with International Human Rights Requirements

- Erin Moore, Anadarko Petroleum Corp.
- Dean Slocum, Acorn International LLC
- Emily Holland, Freshfields Bruckhaus Deringer US LLP
- Mark Stephens, Howard Kennedy LLP
- Tom Wilson, Vinson & Elkins LLP (Moderator)

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1:15 BREAK

1:30 CONCURRENT SESSIONS

Panel: Recent Trends in FCPA Enforcement and Ethical Obligations of Lawyers

Brian Moffatt, Managing Partner, Moffatt Law Group
Gabriela N. Smith, Managing Attorney, The Smith Law Group

Panel: Mexican Data Privacy Law — Transfer of Data to U.S. Entities

Fernando Cano, of Counsel, Squire Patton Boggs
Jose Luis Trasfi, Associate, Squire Patton Boggs

2:15 CONCURRENT SESSIONS

Counseling Amid Chaos: Thoughts on International Disputes from the Perspective of a Transactional Lawyer

David Asmus, Partner, Sidley Austin

European Energy Security, American LNG, and the Global Natural Gas Marketplace

Prof. Chris Kulander, South Texas College of Law

3:00 BREAK

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Aspen Upper Level

Aspen Upper Level

Forest Ballroom Lower Level

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3:15 In-House Counsel Panel: What Law Departments Need and What Law Firms Need to Know

Ramona Murphy, In-House Counsel, Atec, Inc.
Julie Johnston, Business Attorney, Koch Heat Transfer
Rosa Maria Villagomez, Senior Counsel, Global Litigation, Shell Oil Company
Lara Hajjar, Assistant General Counsel, Universal Wather and Aviation Inc.
Moderator: Gabriela Smith, Managing Attorney, The Smith Law Group

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3:45 CONCURRENT SESSIONS

Panel: Arbitration from the Arbitrator's Perspective

Alan Crain, Chairman, EP Energy
Juan Alcala, Partner, Holland & Knight
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Aspen Upper Level

The Evolution of U.S. Immigration Policy and Its Impact on the Global Economy

Charles Foster, Chairman, Foster LLP

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4:30 CONCURRENT SESSIONS

Panel: NAFTA at 25: The Past, Present and Future

Scott Johnston, Member, Givens & Johnston
Kartapurkh S. Khalsa, Sr.
Counsel and Director of Customs Compliance, National Oilwell Varco (NOV)
Luis Arandia, Associate, Givens & Johnston
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Panel: International Trade Law: Investigations and Forensics

Christopher Meadors, Attorney, Forensic Accountant, Glass Ratner LLP
Troy Shaffer, Senior Trade Advisor, Former Special Agent, Akerman LLP
Panel Introduction:
Ramona Murphy, In-House Counsel, Atec, Inc. (Panel Introduction)
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Aspen Upper Level

5:15 BREAK

5:30 Reception & Argentina Trip Drawing

Hearth Room Lower Level

Mid-morning and afternoon refreshment breaks will be set up in the Forest Ballroom Foyer.



SCHEDULE • FRIDAY, APRIL 6

7:30 Continental Breakfast

8:30 Welcome

8:45 Panel: IT, Cybersecurity, Privacy and Confidentiality Issues

Adrienne Brown, Vice President & Chief Counsel, Information and Records Management, PepsiCo, Inc.

Michael Chu, Assistant U.S. Attorney, U.S. Department of Justice, U.S. Attorney's Office (Houston)

Moderator: Aaron Woo, Partner, McCullough Sudan PLLC

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9:45 Panel: International Law on Climate Change and its Impact on the Global Economy

Jeffrey Lamb, International Climate Change Advisor to United Nations Development Programme

Laura Whiting, Partner, Gardere

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10:45 BREAK

11:00 Panel: General Counsel Roundtable

Amanda McMillian, General Counsel, Anadarko

Charles Gilbert, Chief Legal Officer, Imagine Communications

Dan Carter, General Counsel, Scientific Drilling International, Inc.

Conny Ruthven, General Counsel, SparkCognition

Moderator:

Lilly Teng, Co-Founder and General Counsel, Orchid Energy Group

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12:00 Adjourn

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Lower Level

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THIRD ANNUAL INTERNATIONAL TRIP: ARGENTINA

Monday, April 16 – Sunday, April 22, 2018

Join the International Law Section of the State Bar of Texas for our annual international visit as we explore breathtaking ARGENTINA in a unique cross-cultural exchange in international law.

Limited spots available.

The International Law Section is coordinating several aspects of this trip with the Universidad Nacional de San Martin Law School.

CLE credit will be available.

Reserve your spot **NOW** by contacting
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