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TEXAS, OKLAHOMA, NEW MEXICO CHAPTER

SPRING 2024 CONFERENCE SCHEDULE

Date/Time	Track	Topic
Wednesday, April 3		
5:00pm-7:00pm	All	Registration – 4 th floor
6:00pm-7:30pm	All	Bienvenida! – 6 th floor terrace
Thursday, April 4		
8:00 am		Registration
8:00am – 9:00am	All	Breakfast
9:00 am	All	Conference Opening
9:10am – 10:00 am	Business	<p>Taking Avenida de Los Insurgentes, the Longest Road in Mexico City: How to navigate down the road of tricky admission issues</p> <p>Speakers: Ramon E. Curiel, Oliva, Saks, Garcia & Curiel, LLP – San Antonio, TX Kenneth J. Harder, Jackson Lewis P.C. – Houston, TX Michael P. Nowlan, Clark Hill – Detroit, MI</p>
	Family	<p>Torre Latinamericana: Elevating Family-Based Immigration, a panoramic view. (family-based immigration and hot topics)</p> <p>Speakers: Teresa Coles-Davila, Law Offices of Teresa Coles-Davila & Associates, P.C. – San Antonio, TX Yohana Saucedo, The Law Offices of Yohana Saucedo, P.C. – Austin, TX Guillermo M. Hernandez, Rivera Hernandez Campo, PLLC – San Antonio, TX</p>
10:00am-10:50am	Business	<p>National Museum of Anthropology: Discovering the Key Artifact in your E Visa to a successful application</p> <p>Speakers: Silvia Graves, Graves & Graves, P.C. – Houston, TX Frances Hayden, Hayden Law – Los Angeles, CA and Mexico City, Mexico</p>
	Family	<p>Torre Reforma: Asylum Law in Transition: Navigating New Challenges and Trends</p> <p>Speakers: Joss Bravo-Bonetti, Bravo-Bonetti Legal – Austin, TX Jennifer Walker-Gates, JLW Immigration Law Group – Austin, TX Ruby Powers, Powers Law Group – Houston, TX</p>

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10:50 am-11:40am	Business	Plaza de las Tres Culturas: Square of the Big Three USMCA Panel: US, Canada & Mexico Speakers: Sergio R. Karas, Karas Immigration Law – Toronto, Canada James Prappas, Kane Russell Coleman Logan PC – Houston, TX Enrique I. Urbina Bado, Urbina & Urbina – Mexico City, Mexico
	Family	Palacio de Correos: "Gateway to Freedom: Litigation Updates on Cuban Adjustment Act Parole" Speakers: Mark Prada, Prada Urizar Dominguez, PLLC – Miami, FL Anthony Dominguez, Prada Urizar Dominguez, PLLC – Miami, FL Mario Boisselier, Boisselier Law Group, PLLC – Austin, TX
11:40am BREAK	All	Break
12:00pm – 1:00pm	All	Paseo de la Reforma: "Consular Conversations: Global Insights" (Consular updates – panel of Consular officers) Speakers: Consul General Scott Renner, United States Embassy Mexico, CDMX Jason Mills, Law Office of Jason Mills PLLC – Fort Worth, TX Kelli Stump, Stump Law – Oklahoma City, OK Marisol Perez, De Mott, Curtright and Armendariz, LLP – San Antonio, TX
1:00pm-1:50 pm	Business	Take a stroll on Madero Street: A conversation with NIV Consular Officer CDMX Speakers: Beatriz Trillos Ballerini, Trillos-Ballerini Law Firm, P.C. – Houston, TX Ramon E. Curiel, Oliva, Saks, Garcia & Curiel, LLP – San Antonio, TX Consular Officers from Mexico City Embassy
	Family	Castillo de Chapultepec: "Battling Delays in Immigration's Legal Terrain" Speakers: Jeremy Robbins, Executive Director, American Immigration Council – Washington, D.C. Sheridan Green, Sheridan Green Law PLLC – Spring, TX
1:55-2:45pm	Business	Torre Mayor: H-1B visa the Torre Mayor of Nonimmigrant Visas Speakers: Robin Dana O'Donoghue, O'Donoghue Law, LLC – Cambridge, MA Christine Traversi, Jackson Lewis P.C. – Houston, TX Lucy G. Cheung, Goldstein and Cheung LLP – New York, NY

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2:50pm-3:40pm	Business	<p>Angel de la Independencia: Victorious L-1 Applications</p> <p>Speakers: Faye M. Kolly, McChesney Kolly, PLLC – Austin, TX Robert F. Loughran, Foster Global – Austin, TX Miki Kawashima Matrician, WR Immigration – Boston, MA Elizabeth Henderson, Principal Corporate Counsel, Microsoft</p>
	Family	<p>Templo Mayor: "Decoding Recent Case Law: A Supreme Insight"</p> <p>Speakers: Raed Gonzalez, Gonzalez Olivieri, LLC – Houston, TX Amanda Waterhouse, Waterhouse Dominguez & Strom, PLLC – Houston, TX Ross Miller, Gonzalez Olivieri, LLC – Houston, TX</p>
3:40 pm	All	Break
3:55pm-4:45pm	Business	<p>Torre Latinoamericana: A PERM Panorama</p> <p>Speakers: Vince W. Lau, Clark Lau, LLC – Boston, MA Maggie Murphy, Berry Appleman & Leiden – Austin, TX Dustin O'Quinn, Lane Powell – Seattle, WA</p>
	Family	<p>Casa de los Azulejos: "Moral Mosaics: Navigating Advanced Ethics in Immigration Law"</p> <p>Speakers: Michelle L. Saenz-Rodriguez, Saenz-Rodriguez & Associates, P.C. – Dallas, TX Jacqueline L. Watson, JLW Immigration Law Group – Austin, TX Irene G. Mugambi, Law Office of Irene G. Mugambi P.C. – Dallas, TX</p>
5:00pm-6:30pm	All	Happy Hour
Friday, April 5		
8:00-9:00am	All	Breakfast
9:00-10:00am	Business	<p>Burning Tenochtitlan: Hot Topics from AILA National</p> <p>Speakers: Alexis Axelrad, Barst & Mukamal LLP – New York, NY Kelli Stump, Stump Law – Oklahoma City, OK</p>

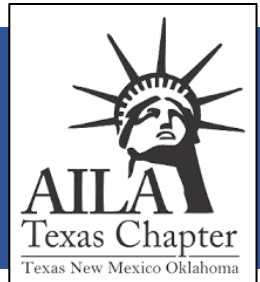
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		Jacqueline L. Watson, JLW Immigration Law Group – Austin, TX
9:00-10:00am	Family	<p>Basilica de Santa María de Guadalupe: "Championing Human Rights: A Sacred Duty"</p> <p>Speakers: Tran Dang, The Rhizome Center for Migrants – Houston, TX Erica Schommer, St. Mary's School of Law – San Antonio, TX Rita Robles Benitez Olga Hernandez Avila</p>
10:00-11:00am	Business	<p>Castillo de Chapultepec: Self Petitioner Path to Permanent EB-5 and National Interest Waiver Program</p> <p>Speakers: Christian Triantaphyllis, Jackson Walker, LLP – Houston, TX David Ware, Ware Immigration – Metairie, LA Julieta Grinffiel, Corporate Immigration Partners PC – Dallas, TX</p>
10:00-11:00am	Family	<p>Palacio de Bellas Artes: "Art of Advocacy: Mastering Removal Proceedings"</p> <p>Speakers: Roberto Blum, Law Office of Juan Reyes – Houston, TX Roberto A. Campos, Rivera Hernandez Campos, PLLC – San Antonio, TX Olsa Alikaj-Cano, Cano Immigration, PLLC – Houston, TX Paul Hunker, De Mott, Curtright and Armendariz, LLP – Dallas, TX</p>
11:00am -12:00pm	Business	<p>Estela de Luz: Finding Luminosity in Immigration, Tax and Remote Work</p> <p>Speakers: Clayton Cartwright, The Cartwright Law Firm, LLC – Columbus, GA Sujata Ajmera, Clark Hill PLC – Austin, TX Kathleen Campbell Walker, Dickson Wright PLLC – El Paso, TX</p>
11:00am -12:00pm	Family	<p>Plaza de las Tres Culturas: "The Crimmigration Confluence: Navigating the Nexus"</p> <p>Speakers: Stephen O'Connor, O'Connor & Associates, PLLC – Austin, TX Juan Carlos Rodriguez, Garcia & Block, PLLC – San Antonio, TX Emma Ibarra-Martinez, Ibarra-Martinez Law PLLC – Houston, TX</p>
12:00pm-1:30pm	All	Business Lunch
1:30 pm – 2:30pm	Joint Family/ Business	<p>Monumento a Cuauhtémoc: Resistance to Human Trafficking in TN/H-1A Context (Plenary Panel)</p> <p>Speakers: Emma D. Wells, Florence Immigrant & Refugee Rights Project – Phoenix, AZ Ana Aazam, Pace Law Firm – Toroto, Ontario, Canada Mary Carol Ellison, J.D., U.S. Department of Labor, U.S. Embassy – Mexico City, Mexico Luis Benjamin Lara Escobedo, Secretaria de Relaciones Exteriores – Mexico City, Mexico</p>

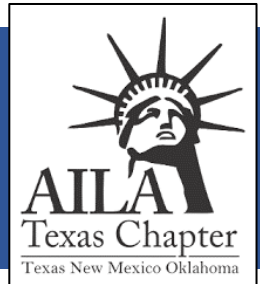
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2:30 pm – 3:30pm	Business	Palacio Nacional: How Mexican Immigration Law can help your forever waiting client Speakers: Stefan Jimenez Cortes, Sanchez Devanny – Mexico City, Mexico Rodrigo Garcia, Fragomen Mexico, S. de R.L. de C.V. – Mexico City, Mexico Alejandro Luna A. Santamarina + Steta – Mexico City, Mexico
2:30 pm – 3:30pm	Family	Federal litigation: Challenging Consular Non-reviewability Speakers: Lance Curtright, De Mott, Curtright and Armendariz, LLP – San Antonio, TX Javier Maldonado, Law Office of Javier N. Maldonado, PC – San Antonio, TX Julia Jagow, Vrapl Weeks – Albuquerque, NM
3:30 pm	End	Closing remarks – end of conference