

# Bankruptcy Bench Bar Conference

## Western District of Texas

### “Catch a Wave”

9.75 hours CLE applied for (2.0 ethics)

June 4th through 6th, 2008

Austin, Texas

#### Wednesday, June 4<sup>th</sup>

7:00 Opening Reception

#### *Whitewater Putting Course*

Perhaps the most unique of all the courses at Horseshoe Bay Resort is Whitewater, a multi-million dollar 18-hole, par 72 Bermuda grass putting course, complete with waterfalls and grazing flamingos. This night-lit facility boasts Dwarf Bermuda grass, cascading waterfalls, lavish rose gardens, a collection of exotic birds and a scenic fitness trail. Libations available.

1:00 p.m.

#### *“I Get Around”*

Trustee Panel (1.0 hours; .25 ethics)  
**Kevin Epstein, San Antonio**  
**Gary Norwood, Midland**  
**Dan Roberts, Austin**

Creditor meetings, court proceedings, confirmation, questions and answers.

2:00 p.m.

Break Out Session (1.00 hours)

#### Thursday, June 5<sup>th</sup>

8:30 a.m. Continental Breakfast

9:00 a.m. *“We’re Together Again”* (Welcome)  
**Judge Ronald B. King, Course Director**

9:15 a.m. *“Don’t Worry Baby”*  
 Case Law Update (1.0 hours; .25 ethics)  
**Charles A. Beckham, Jr., Houston**  
**Deborah D. Williamson, San Antonio**  
 Everything in your case will turn out all right after you hear this review of business and consumer bankruptcy cases.

3:00 p.m.

#### *“Surfin’ Safari”*

A. Confirmation Issues – Chapter 13  
**Judge Craig Gargotta - Moderator**  
**Edgar Borrego, El Paso**  
**Layla Elzner-Sislen, Austin**

#### *“God Only Knows”*

B. 363 Sales  
**Chuck Carroll, Dallas**  
**Harry Perrin, Houston**  
 Public or private auctions?  
 Maximizing value to the estate.

Break

10:15 a.m. Break

3:15 p.m.

Break Out Session (1.00 hours)

10:30 a.m. *“I Just Got My Pay”* (1.0 hours; 1.0 ethics)  
 Professional Fees  
**Judge Frank Monroe**  
**Professor Nancy Rapoport, UNLV**  
 Pro Snax, Gadzooks, Mirant, Spillman – did these professionals get their pay?

#### *“Little Deuce Coupe”*

A. Hot Topics in Consumer Cases  
**Mike Kelly, Midland**  
**Joseph W. Shulter, San Antonio**  
 The hottest set of wheels in town – 910 car claims.

11:30 a.m. *“Good Vibrations”* (Lunch (.75 hours))  
**Judge Royal Ferguson**  
**U.S. District Court, San Antonio**  
 Good vibrations and excitation while Judge Ferguson updates us on the state of the District.

#### *“Wouldn’t It Be Nice?”*

B. Hot Topics in Business Cases  
**John Melko, Houston**  
**Berry Spears, Austin**  
 Executive compensation, reclamation, administrative claims, lease issues.

4:15 P.M.      ***“The Wanderer”***  
Evidence – Skit and Discussion  
(.75 hours)  
***Judge Leif M. Clark***

**Friday, June 6<sup>th</sup>**

8:00 a.m.      Continental Breakfast

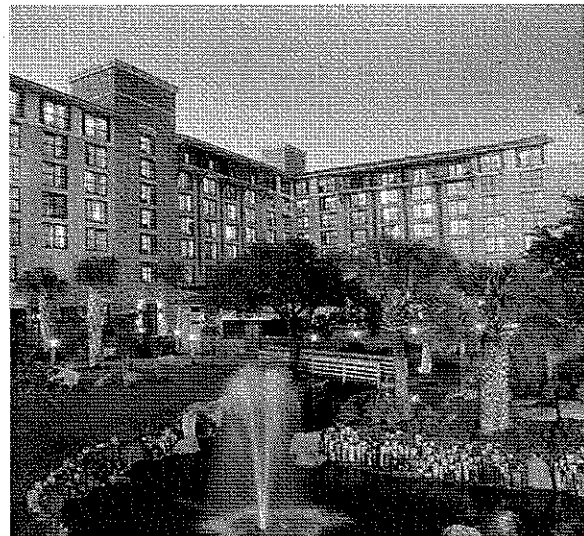
8:30 a.m.      ***“Heroes and Villains”***  
Home Mortgage Issues (.75 hours)  
***Scott Brown, Scottsdale***  
***Patricia Tomasco, Austin***  
See what issues the heroes and villains  
have created in the areas of home  
mortgage lending, subprime and hedge  
fund rescues.

9:15 a.m.      ***“It’s More Than Rock ‘N’ Roll”***  
What part do you play in the Band, and  
how can that lead to a consensual Plan?  
***George Prentice*** (1.5 hours)

10:45            Break

11:00            ***“In My Room”***  
Judges’ Panel (1 hour; .5 ethics)  
***Judges Clark, King, Gargotta and***  
***Monroe (Moderated by Jim Hoffman,***  
***San Antonio)***  
Insights on courtroom practice and  
procedure.

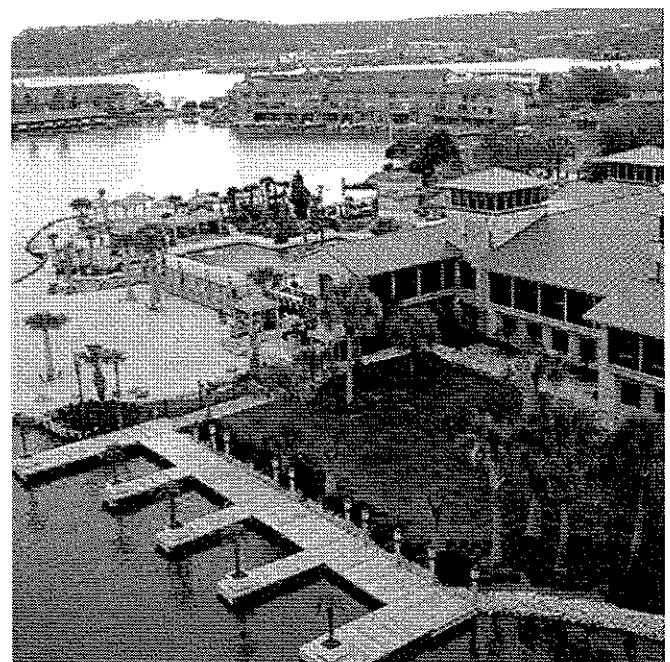
**Please forward questions for the judges’  
panel to Jim Hoffman at  
[hoffmanj@clemens-spencer.com](mailto:hoffmanj@clemens-spencer.com).**



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**For room reservations, please contact:  
Marriott Horseshoe Bay  
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Phone: (830) 598-8600**

A special block of rooms has been reserved at the  
conference rate of \$189 a night. Unused rooms will be  
released on May 14.



**Registration Form**

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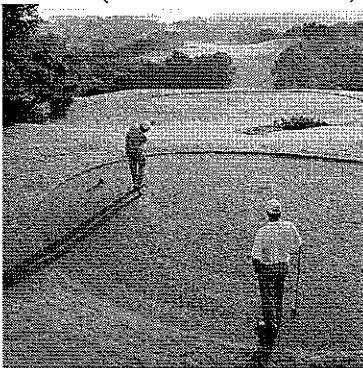
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**Conference Registration      \$      350.00**

**Optional Events: Friday, June 6<sup>th</sup>, 12:00 p.m.:**  
**("Fun, Fun, Fun")**

\_\_\_\_\_ **Spa** (spa lunch plus \$      **150.00**  
two treatments, AND  
cocktails with friends)

\_\_\_\_\_ **\*\*Golf**                            \$      **110.00**  
(includes box lunch)



\_\_\_\_\_ **Whitewater Putting**      \$      **10.00**  
(during Reception)  
Marriott Horseshoe Bay

**Total Fees:**                            \$ \_\_\_\_\_

\*\* If you wish to play golf, your check for golf must be received by Steve Turner at P. O. Box 92648, Austin, Texas 78709, no later than noon on April 2, 2008.

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**Open:**

**Wednesday**  
**9 - 11 p.m.**

**Thursday**  
**5 - 7 p.m.**  
**9 - 11 p.m.**

