

CONFERENCE REGISTRATION BROCHURE

2019 NATIONAL CONFERENCE FOR
LAWYER ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS



FROM SURVIVING TO THRIVING: LAPs Lead the Way

Lawyers Helping Lawyers In Texas



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Commission on Lawyer
Assistance Programs

September 24-26, 2019

HILTON AUSTIN HOTEL ★ AUSTIN, TEXAS

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ATTENDEE REGISTRATION FEES

(Attendee registration fee includes all conference sessions, Tuesday Welcome Reception, breakfast and lunch on Wednesday and Thursday, Wednesday evening Dessert Reception and multiple coffee breaks.)

(Early rates apply to registrations received by 8/3/19)

Early/Late

ABA Member \$400/\$450 \$ _____

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Special One-day Registration Options Available
On-Site. Wednesday only or Thursday only.

No Advance Registration for One-Day Rates

ABA Member \$300 (onsite only) \$ _____

Non-ABA Member \$350 (onsite only) \$ _____

Conference Dinner \$80 \$ _____

(Note: Dinner is **not** included in your registration fee.)

Total Attendee Fees: \$ _____

GUEST REGISTRATION

(Guest registration includes the Welcome Reception on Tuesday and the Wednesday evening Dessert Reception. Conference sessions, breakfasts, lunches and coffee breaks are limited to Conference Attendee Registrants.)

Name: _____

(As you would like it to appear on your badge)

Conference Dinner \$80 \$ _____

(Note: Dinner is **not** included in your registration.)

Total Guest Fee: \$ _____

TOTAL ATTENDEE AND GUEST FEES: \$ _____

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CONFERENCE PROGRAM



TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 24, 2019

4:00 P.M. – 6:00 P.M.

Registration and Exhibit Area Open

5:00 P.M. – 6:00 P.M.

Welcome Reception

6:00 P.M.

Dinner on your own

8:30 P.M. – 9:30 P.M.

Open 12 Step Meeting

8:30 P.M. – 9:30 P.M.

AI-Anon Meeting

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 25, 2019

7:00 A.M. – 8:00 A.M.

Open 12 Step Meeting

7:00 A.M. – 8:00 A.M.

Yoga Session

8:00 A.M. – 5:00 P.M.

Registration and Exhibit Hall Open

8:00 A.M. – 8:50 A.M.

Continental Breakfast in the Exhibit Area

9:00 A.M. – 9:30 A.M.

Orientation

All attendees, guests, and exhibitors are welcome to attend this session to learn more about the Conference, hear a brief history of CoLAP, meet the Conference mentors and find out about social activities.

9:30 A.M. – 10:00 A.M.

LAP Roll Call

10:00 A.M. – 10:50 A.M.

Welcome Remarks

- **Bree Buchanan**, Chair, ABA Commission on Lawyer Assistance Programs
- **The Honorable Chief Justice Nathan Hecht**, Chief Justice of the Texas Supreme Court
- **Trey Appfel**, Executive Director, State Bar of Texas

11:00 A.M. – 12:00 P.M.

Trauma-Responsive Workplaces

This program will focus on how to help law firms and lawyers recognize the signs and symptoms of vicarious trauma both at the practitioner level and organizationally; and create cultures of resilience and wellness. Many of the lawyers we work with struggle with how to take care of themselves when working with traumatized clients in systems affected by trauma. To be most effective, interventions must act on the level of the individual and the organization. Strategies include Engagement Groups, Trauma Stewardship Reading Groups and the organizational Sanctuary Model. This topic is also valuable for LAP practitioners to focus on trauma-responsiveness in our programs.

Speakers:

- **Kyra Hazilla**, JD, LCSW, Oregon Attorney Assistance Program, Portland, Oregon
- **Shari Gregory**, JD, LCSW, Assistant Director, Oregon Attorney Assistance Program, Portland, Oregon
- **Moderator: Beth Padgett**, Lawyers Helping Lawyers, Co-Director SC Bar

Dear Friends:

On behalf of the American Bar Association's Commission on Lawyer Assistance Programs (CoLAP), it is our pleasure to invite you to attend the 2019 National Conference. The 2019 Conference is being held at the Hilton Austin Hotel in Downtown in Austin, Texas. The conference will begin with a Welcome Reception and Opening of the Exhibit Hall late in the afternoon on Tuesday, September 24th and conclude Thursday evening, September 26th with the Annual Conference Dinner.

The theme for the conference is "From Surviving to Thriving: LAPs Lead the Way." The conference program includes sessions of interest to judges, disciplinary staff, bar leaders, lawyer assistance program directors and staff, law school administrators and law firm managers, as well as, abundant opportunities to network with LAP personnel and volunteers involved in lawyer assistance programs from across the U.S., Canada and the U.K.

In addition, the Conference features an Exhibit Hall of facilities from around the US and Canada that focus on treating substance use disorders, compulsive behaviors, mood disorders, and more. This is a wonderful opportunity to discover new facilities and interact face to face with the facilities you use currently.

Your participation in the 2019 National Conference is a crucial factor in the ongoing development of lawyer assistance programs. The sessions truly represent a unique opportunity to learn about issues that can have a direct impact on the legal community's well-being, and about how lawyer assistance programs operate.

Please join us in making this the most dynamic and well-attended conference yet.

Sincerely,

Beth Padgett

Conference Chair

Lawyers Helping Lawyers, Co-Director SC Bar

Tish Vincent

Conference Vice-Chair

LJAP Program Director, State Bar of Michigan

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12:15 P.M. – 1:15 P.M.

Lunch with the Exhibitors and Exhibitors Roll Call

1:30 P.M. – 2:45 P.M.

CoLAP's 2019 National Judicial Stress and Resilience Survey: The Results Are In!

The report from the ABA's National Task Force on Lawyer Well-Being identified judges as one of the primary stakeholders in the effort to reinforce the importance of well-being when it comes to competence and excellence in the practice of the law. This program will share the efforts of Professor Swenson, the lead researcher on the National Judicial Stress and Resilience Survey, in developing, testing, and administering this survey. This program will cover the elements of the judicial survey and initial results will be reported. In the past, surveys have been completed of law students and practicing lawyers. This study seeks to bring information about the well-being of judges to light. Judges are expected to assume an elevated position in society and in the legal culture. The Model Code of Judicial Conduct holds judges responsible for competence, integrity, appropriate personal and extrajudicial activities, and impartiality. This research will contribute to understanding the specific issues faced by the judiciary. Members of the judiciary will serve as panelists to discuss the study's findings and how this research may positively impact jurists.

Speakers:

- **Bree Buchanan**, JD, Chair, ABA Commission on Lawyer Assistance Programs
- **David Swenson**, Ph.D., Lead Researcher, National Judicial Stress and Resilience Survey, Professor of Management, College of St. Scholastica, School of Business and Technology, Director, Online MBA for Rural Healthcare, Duluth, Minnesota.
- **Honorable David Shaheed** (ret), CoLAP Commissioner, Chair, Judicial Assistance Initiative, Indianapolis, Indiana
- **Moderator: Tish Vincent**, LAP Program Director, State Bar of Michigan

2:45 PM – 3:15 P.M.

Coffee Break and Prize Drawing in the Exhibit Hall

3:30 PM – 4:45 PM

Three Concurrent Sessions

SESSION 1—The Gambling Addicted Attorney

Attorneys are at increased risk for gambling disorder due to unique characteristics of attorneys and the work they perform. Left untreated, gambling disorder often results in financial ruin, loss of career, divorce, homelessness criminal behavior and suicide.

Attendees will learn about gambling disorder from a former practicing attorney with lived experience and the head of an inpatient treatment facility for individuals with gambling disorder. The presentation will include the following topics: gambling disorder and co-occurring substance use disorders; attorney access to money; the disciplinary process; bar "character and fitness"; attorney specific treatment for gambling disorder.

Speakers:

- **Jeffrey P. Wasserman**, JD, Delaware Council on Gambling Problems, Wilmington, Delaware
- **Marti Paulson**, CARN, MSOP, Chief Operating Officer, Project Turnabout Addiction Recovery Centers, Granite Falls, Minnesota.
- **Moderator: Yvette Hourigan**, Director, Kentucky Lawyer Assistance Program, Frankfort, Kentucky

SESSION 2

"Earning Your Lawyer Badge": Mentoring Professional Identity To Improve Lawyer Well-Being

Personal relationships with veteran lawyers who model professional identity and successful integration of well-being and professionalism is paramount for new lawyers to develop their own professional identity. Experienced lawyers can serve as a compass, a refuge, and inspiration.

This discussion will focus on the role of professional identity in creating a successful legal career, including the correlation between poorly developed professional identity and heightened burn out, unprofessionalism, leading to disciplinary issues. The goal is to develop a more holistic, positive identity

for lawyers. This workshop provides a practical, interactive experience for participants to develop a written description of their holistic professional identity and to learn how to utilize mentors.

Speaker:

- **Ryann Peyton**, JD, Colorado Attorney Mentoring Program (CAMP), Denver, Colorado
- **Moderator: Anna Levine**, Executive Director, Lawyers Concerned for Lawyers, Inc, Boston, Massachusetts

SESSION 3

State Implementation of the National Task Force Report: Lessons Learned

Many states have embarked upon a collaborative effort to systematically implement recommendations stemming from the 2017 Report of the National Task Force on Lawyer Well-Being. Participants will hear from Task Force leaders and state LAP directors about the various types of statewide collaborative entities formed, with information provided about struggles and successes. Panelists will give practical tips and strategies for states interested in starting their own collaboration.

Speakers:

- **Bree Buchanan**, JD, Chair, ABA Commission on Lawyer Assistance Programs
- **William Slease**, JD, Chief Disciplinary Counsel, Disciplinary Board of the New Mexico Supreme Court, Santa Fe, New Mexico
- **Honorable Beth Walker**, Chief Justice of the West Virginia Supreme Court, Charleston, West Virginia
- **Moderator: Derek LaCroix**, Executive Director, Lawyers Assistance Program of B.C.

5:00 P.M.

Dinner on your own

7:00 P.M. – 8:00 P.M.

Evening Meditation Session

8:00 P.M. – 9:00 P.M.

Dessert Reception

9:30 P.M. – 10:30 P.M.

Open 12 Step Meeting

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 26, 2019

7:00 A.M. – 8:00 A.M.

Open 12 Step Meeting

7:00 A.M. – 8:00 A.M.

Yoga

8:00 A.M. – 9:00 A.M.

Breakfast Topics

8:00 A.M. – 4:45 P.M.

Registration and Exhibit Hall Open

9:15 A.M. – 10:30 A.M.

Three Concurrent Sessions

SESSION 1

Navigating Complicated Waters with Aging Attorneys: Offering Dignity and Support

In this presentation attendees will learn from a lawyer and 2 Licensed Psychologists about the challenges LAPs address when approached by concerned colleagues and family members who are worried about a lawyer or judge who is showing signs of diminished cognitive capacity. Lawyers have a duty to be fit to practice. Aging attorneys have an increased incidence of cognitive decline that puts them at risk of practicing when they are unfit to do so. At this time, 25 % of all attorneys are 65 years or older. It is estimated that 1 in 14 people over the age of 65 has dementia. Lawyers with cognitive decline are a growing problem. Some law firms are beginning to set mandatory retirement ages between 65 and 70. Judges and Lawyers

Assistance Programs can provide case management services and/or referrals to professionals who can assist an impaired elderly attorney get the treatment they need and arrange to protect their economic interests, their dignity, their legacy, and insure that their actions at this phase of their life are self-caring and respectful of others. Attendees at this presentation will be provided resources for retirement planning and hear actual interviews with senior attorneys who are navigating this transition effectively.

Speakers:

- **Leah Claire Bennett**, Ph.D, Clinical Operations Director, Pine Grove Behavioral Health & Addiction Services, Hattiesburg, Mississippi
- **Lacey Herrington**, Ph.D., Licensed Psychologist, Evaluations Center, Pine Grove Behavioral Health & Addiction Services, Hattiesburg, Mississippi
- **Robert Turnbull**, JD, Lawyers Helping Lawyers, SC Bar, Columbia, South Carolina
- **Moderator: Anne Chambers**, Director, Missouri Lawyer's Assistance Program, Jefferson City, Missouri

SESSION 2

On the Path to Law Student Well-Being

In this presentation attendees will learn from academics at Columbia Law School, University of St. Thomas School of Law, and members of the CoLAP Law Student Assistance Committee about the current landscape of law school initiatives designed to promote law student well-being. The CoLAP LSAC surveyed law schools across the country about their curricula, programs, and other wellness-related offerings. The presenters will share a snapshot of where the law schools are on their path to increasing law student well-being and share a trove of resources culled from the survey of many schools. Ideas about how LAPs can partner with the nation's law schools will be presented. There will be opportunity for interaction and the audience will be invited to share knowledge of how the law schools in their jurisdiction are progressing on their path to encouraging well-being and resilience in their students. The LAP community recognizes that teaching students about their own well-being and the well-being of their colleagues and friends as they learn the law is imperative for the future generations of lawyers. For too long law students have been given the message that their well-being is second to the practice of law.

Speakers:

- **Judith Rush**, JD, Director of Mentor Externship, University of St. Thomas School of Law, Minneapolis, Minnesota
- **Jordana Alter Confino**, JD, Assistant Director of Academic Counseling, Columbia Law School, New York, New York
- **Chase Anderson** JD, Case Manager, Lawyers Concerned for Lawyers, Minnesota
- **Janet Stearns**, JD, Dean of Students & Lecturer in Law, University of Miami School of Law
- **Moderator: Joan Bibelhausen**, JD, Executive Director, Minnesota Lawyers Concerned for Lawyers

SESSION 3

Dementors and Darkness: Depression in the World of Harry Potter

Depression and its symptoms are often misunderstood or go unrecognized in the general population. The feelings of hopelessness, helplessness, low energy and difficulties with concentration and memory are uniquely debilitating for attorneys and other legal professionals. While mental health in the legal profession has recently garnered significant attention, depression often continues to be shrouded in misunderstanding and stigma. Depression unrecognized and untreated can be fatal. Raising awareness about this affliction continues to be a worthy goal. This session utilizes film clips and group discussion to explore depression, stigma, and mental health recovery through the lens of J.K. Rowling's Harry Potter series. Participants will leave with a greater understanding of the signs and symptoms of depression as they are led on a creative endeavor by an unabashed Harry Potter fanatic who is a frequent speaker on topics of mental health and wellness.

Speaker:

- **Loretta Oleksy**, JD, LSW, Deputy Director, Indiana Judges and Lawyers Assistance Program, Indianapolis, Indiana
- **Moderator: Shari Gregory**, JD, LCSW, Assistant Director, Oregon Attorney Assistance Program, Portland, Oregon

10:30 A.M. – 11:00 A.M.

Coffee Break and Prize Drawing in the Exhibit Hall

11:00 A.M. – 12:15 P.M.

The Opioid Crisis is a Wicked Problem Identified Gap(s): Lack of Understanding Regarding the Scope and Magnitude of the Opioid Crisis

This presentation by Dr. Lee of the Farley Center will offer an overview of the opioid epidemic in the United States which will include the complexities that make its impact *wicked* for healthcare recipients, including lawyers, as well as for healthcare providers. When treating pain patients, what are the goals, both desired and realistically? This presentation will leave LAP staff better able to recognize circumstances surrounding opioid addiction and more aware of the dangers of opioid use within vulnerable populations such as senior lawyers and other subsets of the legal community. Dr. Lee will discuss strategies for tackling opioid overdose, guidelines for prescribing, and pain management, so attendees will better understand LAP clients experiencing acute or chronic pain. A LAP representative will also offer their experiences with clients experiencing issues related to pain and opioid use.

Speakers:

- **Jonathan Lee**, M.D., Farley Center, Medical Director, Williamsburg, Virginia
- **Tom Roman**, JD, Volunteer, Pennsylvania Lawyer Assistance Program & North Carolina Lawyer Assistance Program
- **Moderator: Derek LaCroix**, Executive Director, Lawyers Assistance Program of B.C.

12:15 P.M. – 1:30 P.M.

Lunch (BOX LUNCH)

1:00 P.M. – 2:00 P.M.

In the Aftermath of Tragedy: Responding to a Big-Law Suicide

There are many factors to consider in designing and implementing an effective response to an attorney suicide in a large organization. Considering some of these factors in advance can avoid confusion and save valuable time when responding. Learning from prior experience is critical. This presentation will offer the perspectives and insights of various participants in the ongoing response to a recent attorney suicide that affected the Houston office of a large international law firm. Although an overview of the many facets of the overall response effort will be provided, the primary focus of the presentation will be the experience and expertise of certain professionals involved in the response, such as the initial crisis counselors, the local LAP, and firm representatives.

Speakers:

- **Michael E. Sievers**, JD, Hunton Andrews Kurth, LLP, Richmond, Virginia
- **Chris Ritter**, JD, M.Ed., Director, Texas Lawyers Assistance Program, Austin, Texas
- **Moderator: Yvette Hourigan**, Director, Kentucky Lawyer Assistance Program, Frankfort, Kentucky

2:00 P.M. – 2:30 P.M.

Coffee Break and Prize Drawing in the Exhibit Hall

2:30 P.M. – 3:45 P.M.

Three Concurrent Sessions

SESSION 1

Tools for Recovery from Eating Disorders

An estimated 30 million people in the US have eating disorders. They often go undiagnosed and untreated, and they have the highest mortality rate of any mental illness. People with eating disorders often have co-occurring mood and/or substance use disorders, making the mortality rate even higher. We know that stress is a trigger for eating disorders, and stress is a daily experience for lawyers. In this presentation attendees will hear the lived experience of a judge, a lawyer and a law student in recovery from eating disorders. They will discuss how LAPs can support their clients who are in recovery from eating disorders.

Speakers:

- **Honorable Sheila Murphy**, Illinois Supreme Court LAP Board Member, Springfield, Illinois

- **C.J. Muller**, JD, Illinois LAP Advisory Committee, Eating Disorders Chair, Chicago, Illinois
- **Moderator: Molly Paris**, Assistant Director, Florida Lawyers Assistance, Pompano Beach, Florida

SESSION 2

Regulatory Strategies to Address Law Student Well-Being: A Roundtable Discussion

Considering studies demonstrating widespread substance use and mental health challenges in the profession, we understand that action must be taken to transform the experience of our law students as they enter the profession. Law school brings its own mental health concern and the looming character and fitness review serves as a barrier to receiving help. What can be done about it? Sit in on this moderated panel discussion with LAPs, deans of students, bar examiners and advocates to share strategies on how to reform the character and fitness process to alleviate the fear of getting help, as well as how to better equip law students for mental health and substance use issues through LAP programs and a proposed mandatory course. Attendees will be encouraged to engage with the panel so that all can leave with ideas to propose or implement.

Speakers:

- **Chris Ritter**, JD, M.Ed., Director, Texas Lawyers Assistance Program, Austin, Texas
- **Stephanie Villinski**, JD, IL Supreme Court Commission on Professionalism, Chicago, Illinois
- **Moderator: Anna Levine**, Executive Director, Lawyers Concerned for Lawyers, Inc, Boston, Massachusetts

SESSION 3

Intersection of Cybersecurity, Cybersecurity Law, and Privacy Law

For the non-technologically inclined attorney, or LAP Director, these terms can stir anxiety and dread. The presenter will give a high-level overview of each area and then show attendees how they each relate to the other. Best practice tips will be given where appropriate to build a foundational knowledge of these areas and help attendees understand how this relates to the work of LAPs.

Speakers:

- **Jack L. Hobaugh, Jr.**, JD, CISSP, CIPT, CIPP-US-E, Hobaugh Law, Lafayette, Colorado
- **Moderator: Tom Roman**, Attorney and Treatment Consultant, Cary, North Carolina

3:45 P.M. – 5:00 P.M.

How Johnson and Johnson is Transforming Mental Health for its Employees, Lawyers, Families, and Outside Counsel

Based on information from the CDC, the national suicide rate increased by 33% from 1999 to 2017, with 47,000 people completing suicide in 2017. These numbers are staggering. Suicide is impacting every person, family, and business in America. Highlighting how one employer's mission to define mental health as a global priority for their employees and communities, this session will provide an overview of the approach Johnson and Johnson is taking to better support employees, patients, and their families who experience the challenges of mental illnesses. The goal of this mission's implementation is to empower each person to be a leader in this challenge for his and her own community.

Speakers:

- **Craig Kramer**, JD, Johnson & Johnson, New Brunswick, New Jersey
- **Moderator: Tish Vincent**, LJAP Program Director, State Bar of Michigan, Lansing, Michigan

7:00 P.M. – 9:00 P.M.

Annual Conference Dinner at Salon K, Hilton Austin Hotel

Dinner, Awards Presentation. Guest Speaker, **Brian Cuban**

9:30 P.M. – 10:30 P.M.

Open 12 Step Meeting

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 27, 2019

7:00 A.M. – 8:00 A.M.

Conference Run/Walk

7:00 A.M. – 8:00 A.M.

Open 12 Step Meeting

8:30 A.M. – 12:00 P.M.

ABA Commission on Lawyer Assistance Programs Business Meeting

CEU

The ABA Commission on Lawyer Assistance Programs is a NAADAC Approved Education Provider. Continuing Education Units (CEUs) for clinicians will be available.

CLE

The ABA will seek 7 hours of CLE credit in 60-minute states, and 8.4 hours of CLE credit for this program in 50-minute states. Credit hours are estimated and are subject to each state's approval and credit rounding rules. Please visit www.americanbar.org/mcle for general information on CLE at the ABA. Note: hours are as of this printing; subject to change.

Financial Aid:

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SPECIAL EVENTS AND NETWORKING OPPORTUNITIES



WELCOME RECEPTION

Tuesday, September 24

Come visit with the Conference Exhibitors and learn about their facilities at this one hour reception. This is an excellent opportunity to reconnect with old friends and meet new colleagues. The Welcome Reception begins at 5:00 p.m. and is open to all Conference attendees.

LUNCH WITH CONFERENCE EXHIBITORS

Wednesday, September 25

Enjoy lunch and the opportunity to learn about the treatment resources available for lawyers including resources for process addictions, behavioral disorders, and more!

DESSERT RECEPTION

Wednesday, September 25

The dessert reception is a great way to connect with your colleagues and share our wisdom and merriment. We will gather together to eat scrumptious desserts and socialize in a special Austin, TX way!

BREAKFAST TOPICS

Thursday, September 26

Join us at the CoLAP Café as a wide variety of breakfast topics are served. Facilitators will lead each table in an interactive discussion on the table topic being served. Note: There will also be tables available without topics for individuals that just want to have breakfast and talk with other attendees.

ANNUAL CONFERENCE DINNER AT SALON K, HILTON AUSTIN HOTEL

Thursday, September 26

The Annual Conference Dinner will be held in Salon K at the Hilton Austin Hotel, 6th Floor. The Dinner will include remarks given by the chair of the ABA Commission on Lawyers Assistance Programs and an awards presentation. Featured guest speaker will be Brian Cuban.

NOTE: *The cost to attend dinner is not included in your registration fee. You must purchase a ticket to attend. Attire for the dinner is Business Casual.*

ILAA CONFERENCE

The 2019 ILAA Annual Conference will be held September 27-29 and will also be held at the Hilton Austin Hotel. Visit www.ILAA.org for detailed information.

HOTEL AND TRAVEL INFORMATION



HOTEL REGISTRATION

A block of sleeping rooms has been reserved for conference attendees at the Hilton Austin Hotel, conveniently located in downtown Austin. Room rates are \$265 per night for single/double occupancy plus tax. **The deadline to obtain housing and secure the negotiated room rate is Monday, August 26, 2019 at 11:59 p.m. Eastern time or until the group block is sold-out, whichever comes first.**

You can make reservations online by using the passkey link, <https://book.passkey.com/go/AmericanBarAssnCoLAP> or by calling 1-512-482-8000 and referring to the ABA National CoLAP/ILAA Conference.

You will receive confirmation of your reservation directly from the hotel. Individuals with guaranteed reservations must cancel their reservation 72 hours prior to the scheduled day of arrival to avoid a one-night cancellation charge. Check-in time is 3:00 p.m. and check-out time is 12:00 noon.

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TRAVEL

The ABA has negotiated airfare discounts on American, United and Delta Airlines and car rental discounts with Hertz, Dollar and Thrifty. To book online, go to http://www.americanbar.org/membership/aba_advantage_discounts/hotel-and-travel.html. For offline airline reservations, call 877-833-6285.

Discounts on **Delta** and **United** may be obtained directly from the airlines using the ABA discount codes: **Delta Airlines:** Call 800-328-1111 and use ABA File Global Meeting Code **NMP56**, or visit www.delta.com and use Online Meeting Event Code **NMP56**. The ABA discount on **American Airlines** is only available on-line at http://www.americanbar.org/membership/aba_advantage_discounts/hotel-and-travel.html.

GROUND TRANSPORTATION

The Hilton Austin Hotel is approximately 7 miles from the Austin-Bergstrom International Airport (ABIA) <http://www.austintexas.gov/airport>. A one-way ride from the ABIA Airport to the Hilton Austin may take on average 15-45 minutes. Most major rental car companies are available at Austin Bergstrom International Airport. Other standard transportation options include the **Capital Metro Bus Line** and ride-hailing services from companies such as **Uber**, **Lyft** and **Ride Austin**. **SuperShuttle** is also available to transport passengers from the airport to locations around the city.

SuperShuttle

SuperShuttle is one of the leading airport shuttle services in the U.S., serving over eight million passengers a year. For a VIP experience, try their private black car service ExecuCar. Learn more about additional shuttle, limousine and charter services [here](#).

TAXI & RIDE-HAILING

Austin Cab Company

The City of Austin regulates taxicab rates. These rates apply to all taxicab companies and all drivers. The current meter rate is \$2.50 for the first 1/6 mile plus \$0.40 for each additional 1/6 mile. Waiting time is \$29.00 per hour.

By city ordinance, there is a minimum price for trips that originate from Austin Bergstrom International Airport (ABIA). It is set at the value of a 4 mile trip (currently \$13.10). Also, per city ordinance, trips which originate at the airport are subject to a \$1 surcharge. There is no additional charge for extra passengers. As many as four (4) passengers may ride for the price of one passenger. Please note: Drivers are independent contractors. They are not employed by a cab company; they work for themselves. Tips are at the discretion of the customer.

car2go

car2go offers instant access to 300 Mercedes-Benz Vehicles spread throughout the downtown Austin core—ready to be reserved and driven right from the street. Find the nearest car on the car2go app, and take it for just a few minutes or a few days without having to return it where you found it. When you're done, parking is included.

Bike and Scooter Rentals

On-the-go bike rentals from **Austin B-cycle** are available to use at more than 40 stations located throughout the city. Also available are a number of bike shops that offer hourly and daily rentals, such as Barton Springs Bike Rentals. Dockless bikes and scooters are available around town from companies such as Lime Bike, Bird, Pace, Lyft and more. Maps and bike routes can be found [here](#).

Pedicab

These carts, pulled by local cyclists, can be found all throughout Austin. Each driver is licensed by the City of Austin Ground Transportation Department and work solely on tips, so be generous!

CLIMATE/DRESS CODE

In late September, the average temperature in Austin is roughly 88 degrees. Be sure to check the weather channel before you leave to obtain the most current temperatures. Regardless of the outdoor temperature, it is always advisable to dress in layers so that you are comfortable in the meeting rooms.



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KEY 2019 CONFERENCE DATES

- August 3, 2019** ▶ Early Registration Deadline
- August 26, 2019** ▶ Last day to obtain negotiated room rate or until block is sold-out, whichever comes first
- September 4, 2019** ▶ Advance/Online Registration Closes
- September 4, 2019
until Conference** ▶ Onsite Registration Only
- September 11, 2019** ▶ Conference Cancellation Deadline (refer to policy for details)

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