



# MISSISSIPPI TRIAL & APPELLATE JUDGES FALL CONFERENCE

Jackson Marriott  
Wednesday, October 26 - Friday, October 28, 2016

## Conference Agenda

### Wednesday, October 26<sup>th</sup>

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| 10:30-12:00 noon | MJC Board of Governors Fall Meeting   | Warwick   |
| 1:00-1:30 p.m.   | Registration  | Mezzanine |
| 1:30-1:45 p.m.   | Welcome & Opening Remarks<br><b>Randy Pierce</b><br>Director<br>Mississippi Judicial College<br>University, Mississippi<br><br><b>Mike Wright</b><br>Program Manager<br>Mississippi Judicial College<br>University, Mississippi   | Windsor I |
| 1:45-3:00 p.m.   | <b>Views From the Bench on Case and Trial Management (1.50)</b><br><b>Hon. William Alsup</b><br>U.S. District Court Judge<br>Northern District of California<br>San Francisco, California   |           |
| 3:00-3:15 p.m.   | Break   |           |
| 3:15-4:00 p.m.   | <b>How a Professional Handles Tragedy (1.00)</b><br><b>Andy Taggart</b><br>Taggart, Rimes & Graham<br>Ridgeland, Mississippi  |           |
| 4:00-4:15 p.m.   | Break   |           |
| 4:15-4:45 p.m.   | <b>Mississippi Supreme Court Business Office Update (.50)</b><br><b>Rani Oswald</b><br>Assistant Finance Director<br>Mississippi Supreme Court Business Office<br>Jackson, Mississippi<br><br><b>Brenda Peters</b><br>Accounting Specialist Senior<br>Mississippi Supreme Court Business Office<br>Jackson, Mississippi |           |

**Thursday, October 27<sup>th</sup>**

7:30-9:00 a.m.	Continental Breakfast	<i>Mezzanine</i>
9:00-9:50 a.m.	<b>Legislative Report for the Mississippi Judiciary (1.00)</b> <i>Hon. Tate Reeves</i> <i>Mississippi Lieutenant Governor</i> <i>Jackson, Mississippi</i>	<i>Windsor I</i>
9:50-10:00 a.m.	Break	
10:00-10:50 a.m.	<b>Why Reentry Programs and Why Should Judges Care? (1.00)</b> <i>Hon. Keith Starrett</i> <i>U.S. District Court Judge</i> <i>Hattiesburg, Mississippi</i>	
10:50-11:00 a.m.	Break	
11:00-11:50 a.m.	<b>Conference of Judges Administrative Sessions (1.00)</b> Appellate Judges.....Canterbury Chancery Judges.....Winston I & II Circuit Judges *.....Churchill I & II County Judges *.....Surrey I & II Senior Status Judges.....Warwick	
	* Circuit and County Judges will meet jointly with Justice Ann Lamar from 11:00 to 11:30 a.m. in Churchill I & II. County Judges will adjourn to Surrey I & II for their administrative session.	
12:00-1:15 p.m.	<b>Conference of Judges Luncheon</b>	<i>Windsor I</i>

1:30-3:00 p.m.	Chancery Judges Breakout Session..... <i>Surrey I &amp; II</i> <b>Family Law Update (1.50)</b> <i>Interim Dean Debbie Bell</i> <i>University of Mississippi School of Law</i> <i>University, Mississippi</i>
3:00-3:30 p.m.	<b>Discussion of Chancery Court Issues (.50)</b> Moderator: <i>Hon. Jacqueline Mask</i> <i>First Chancery Court District Judge</i> <i>Tupelo, Mississippi</i>

1:30-2:20 p.m.	Circuit & County Judges Breakout Session..... <i>Churchill I &amp; II</i> <b>Criminal Case Law Update (1.00)</b> <i>Jeff Klingfuss</i> <i>Office of the Attorney General, Retired</i> <i>Jackson, Mississippi</i>
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2:30-3:20 p.m.	<p><b>Discussion of Section 1983 Cases (1.00)</b>  <i>Todd Butler</i>  <i>Trey Clark</i>  <i>Phelps Dunbar</i>  <i>Jackson, Mississippi</i></p>	

3:30-4:30 p.m.	<p><b>Ethical Considerations for the Trial Court Judge (1.00)</b>  <i>Darlene Ballard</i>  <i>Executive Director</i>  <i>Mississippi Commission on Judicial Performance</i>  <i>Jackson, Mississippi</i></p> <p><i>William Stokes</i>  <i>Chief Investigator</i></p>	<i>Windsor I</i>
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Breakfast Buffet *Windsor I*

**Conference of Judges Study Committee Meetings:**

8:30-9:20 a.m.	<p>Chancery Judges Breakout Session.....<i>Churchill I &amp; II</i>  <b>Discussion of the New TPR Law &amp; the Safe Families Act (1.00)</b>  <i>(Joint Session with County Court Judges)</i>  <i>Prof. David Calder</i>  <i>University of Mississippi School of Law</i></p> <p><i>Randy Pierce</i>  <i>Director, Mississippi Judicial College</i></p>	
9:30-10:20 a.m.	<p><b>Olivia Y and the State of Child Protection in Mississippi (1.00)</b>  <i>Dr. David Chandler</i>  <i>Commissioner</i>  <i>MS Department of Child Protective Services</i>  <i>Jackson, Mississippi</i></p>	
10:30-11:20 a.m.	<p><b>Annexation (1.00)</b>  <i>J. Chadwick Mask</i>  <i>Clifton M. Decker</i>  <i>Carroll Warren &amp; Parker</i>  <i>Jackson, Mississippi</i></p> <p><i>Jerry L. Mills</i>  <i>John Scanlon</i>  <i>Pyle Mills Dye &amp; Pittman</i>  <i>Jackson, Mississippi</i></p>	

8:30-9:20 a.m.	Circuit Judges Breakout Session..... <i>Winston I &amp; II</i> <b>Mental Health Courts (1.00)</b> <i>Professor Wes Johnson</i> <i>University of Southern Mississippi</i> <i>Hattiesburg, Mississippi</i>
9:30-10:20 a.m.	<b>Sentencing Matrix (1.00)</b> <i>Anthony Schmidt, Jr.</i> <i>Mississippi Department of Corrections</i> <i>Jackson, Mississippi</i>
10:30-11:20 a.m.	<b>Technology Warrants (1.00)</b> <i>Keith Leavitt</i> <i>Chief Investigator</i> <i>Office of the Attorney General's Cyber Crime Division</i> <i>Jackson, Mississippi</i>  <i>Brandon Ogburn</i> <i>Office of the Attorney General</i> <i>Jackson, Mississippi</i>

8:30-9:20 a.m.	County Judges Breakout Session..... <i>Churchill I &amp; II</i> <b>Discussion of New TPR Law &amp; the Safe Families Act (1.00)</b> <i>(Joint Session with Chancery Court Judges - Optional Session with Circuit Court Judges)</i> <i>Prof. David Calder</i> <i>University of Mississippi School of Law</i> <i>University, Mississippi</i>  <i>Randy Pierce</i> <i>Director, Mississippi Judicial College</i>
9:30-10:20 a.m.	<b>New DUI Law Update (1.00)</b> ..... <i>Surrey I &amp; II</i> <i>Molly Miller</i> <i>Office of the Attorney General</i> <i>Traffic Safety Resource Prosecutor</i> <i>Jackson, Mississippi</i>

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10:30-11:20 a.m.      **Discussion of County Court Issues (1.00)**

Moderator:

***Hon. Ed Hannan***  
*Madison County Court Judge*  
*Canton, Mississippi*

(Topics to be Discussed)

**Mississippi Insurance Department: Bail Agent Database & Registry**

***Brandon White***  
*Senior Staff Attorney*  
*Mississippi Insurance Department*  
*Jackson, Mississippi*

**Review of Mississippi Bar Presentation on Judicial Ethics**

***Randy Pierce***  
*Director, Mississippi Judicial College*

11:30 a.m.              Conclusion of Fall Conference

