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## Thursday

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- 8:00 **Registration**  
**Coffee Provided**
- 8:50 **Welcoming Remarks**  
Dr. William J. Chriss, *Corpus Christi*  
Of Counsel  
Gravely & Pearson, LLP
- 9:00 **American Origins of Judicial  
Independence: The Constitution  
and Federalist Papers** .5 hr  
Dr. William J. Chriss, *Corpus Christi*  
Of Counsel  
Gravely & Pearson, LLP
- 9:30 **Marbury v. Madison, Judicial Review,  
and Judicial Independence** .5 hr  
Evan Young, *Austin*  
Baker Botts
- 10:00 **“Chief Justice Marshall Has Made  
His Ruling; Now Let Him Enforce It!”  
Andrew Jackson and the Supreme  
Court** .5 hr  
Henry W. Brands, *Austin*  
Jack S. Blanton Sr. Chair in History  
University of Texas
- 10:30 **Networking Break**
- 10:45 **20th Century Texas Judicial  
Independence - Lessons from the  
Life of Chief Justice Jack Pope** .5 hr  
Stephen E. McConnico, *Austin*  
Scott Douglass & McConnico
- 11:15 **The Independence of the Early Texas  
Supreme Court: 1840-1865** .5 hr  
James W. Paulsen, *Houston*  
South Texas College of Law
- 11:45 **Break - Lunch Provided**
- 12:00 **Luncheon Presentation:  
Texas Supreme Court Elections  
and Judicial Independence** .5 hr  
Hon. Thomas R. Phillips, *Austin*  
Baker Botts
- 12:30 **Break**

- 12:45 **A Step Too Far: FDR’s Court-Packing  
Plan** .5 hr  
Josiah M. Daniel, III, *Dallas*  
Of Counsel  
Vinson & Elkins
- 1:15 **Civil Rights and Judicial Independence –  
Hernandez v. Texas and Brown v. Board  
of Education** .5 hr  
Michael A. Olivas, *Houston*  
William B. Bates Distinguished Chair in Law  
University of Houston Law Center
- 1:45 **Judicial Independence and 21st  
Century Texas** 1 hr  
Hon. Nathan L. Hecht, *Austin*  
Chief Justice  
Supreme Court of Texas  
Jimmy Blacklock, *Austin*  
General Counsel  
Office of the Governor  
Brantley D. Starr, *Austin*  
Office of the Attorney General
- 3:00 **Federal Judicial Appointments:  
Perspectives of Nominees** 1 hr  
Hon. Jorge Cantu Rangel, *Corpus Christi*  
The Rangel Law Firm PC  
Hon. Leslie H. Southwick, *Jackson, MS*  
Justice, U.S. 5th Circuit Court of Appeals  
Hon. Gregg J. Costa, *Bellaire*  
Justice, U.S. 5th Circuit Court of Appeals
- 4:00 **Adjourn**

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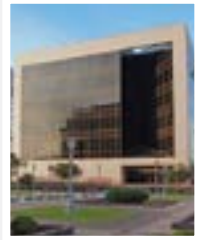


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