



2018 Land Title SCHOOL of Texas



February 5-7, 2018

Austin | Westin Austin at the Domain

New to the Title Industry or Want to Learn More?

Are you a title professional looking for basic knowledge in the title industry, or are you seeking cross-training in order to become a more valuable asset in the newer, leaner field of title insurance? Perhaps you want to expand your skills and learn from industry experts. By attending the Land Title School of Texas, you will obtain the basic insight and abilities needed to develop your skills within the Texas title industry. You will also be part of a 40-year tradition. Don't miss this stellar learning opportunity and celebration!

Is This Program for Me?

If you have been in the industry for a few months to five years or have recently switched positions within your company, this program is designed for your needs. Fill out the registration form on the last page of this brochure and reserve your spot today. Remember that the Land Title School of Texas has a limited number of seats and usually sells out, so register immediately!

// "I really enjoyed my time at the School and am very glad I was able to attend. I learned a lot, and the speakers were GREAT! Loved the question and answer format, and also how accessible the speakers were on breaks/after classes to talk further and discuss questions." //

-2017 attendee

**Brochure is online only and will not be mailed.
Space is limited, so register today!**

Program Highlights

- ▶ The three-day program is designed to teach attendees the process of a typical residential closing.
- ▶ Covers industry basics and reviews each step of a residential closing.
- ▶ Classes include sessions on current procedures, rules, forms and laws affecting title insurance in Texas.
- ▶ The 2018 School will feature interactive testing throughout the three-day program that will serve to reinforce the student's learning and retention. Upon completion of the School, each student will receive a final report detailing his or her testing performance.
- ▶ This program will help you prepare for TLTA professional certification and earn you up to 20 hours toward applying for the certification exam.
- ▶ Escrow, MCLE and TREC credit available.



The Title Professional's Credential



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Registration Information

Hotel accommodations are not included in fees.

EARLY on or before Jan. 12 / **REGULAR** after Jan. 12

Full:

TLTA Member	EARLY \$635	REGULAR \$695
Non-Member	EARLY \$835	REGULAR \$895

Hotel Information

TLTA School will take place at the Westin Austin Hotel at the Domain

11301 Domain Drive
Austin, Texas 78758
Phone: 512.832.4197

Reservations: 800.228.3000
Room Rate: \$199 single/double
Group Deadline: Jan. 5
(hotel may sell out prior to deadline)

BOOK YOUR ROOM

Continuing Education

Get the credit you need!

9.0 hours of General Escrow CE credit and 1.0 hours of Ethics credit.
(pending TDI approval)

An application for accreditation has been submitted to the State Bar of Texas for a total of 18 credit hours. Up to 9 hours of Elective credit will also be awarded by the Texas Real Estate Commission, if approved by State Bar of Texas.

Questions?

Contact us at education@tlta.com or call the TLTA Education Department at 512.879.2882.

- ▶ **Need to save on expenses?**
Consider sharing a room with another student.
- ▶ **Hotel Parking**
There is no charge for self-parking at the Westin, and valet parking is \$13 daily/\$22 overnight.
- ▶ **Transportation**
SuperShuttle will offer discounted one-way and round-trip transportation from Austin Bergstrom International Airport to the Westin Austin at the Domain. (pending)
- ▶ **School Check-In**
Students are encouraged to check in at the TLTA Registration Desk located at the Westin Hotel between 3 - 5 p.m. on Sunday, Feb. 4, and pick up a reading assignment to be completed before class begins promptly at 8 a.m. on Monday, Feb. 5. (This assignment will also be emailed to attendees in their confirmation.)

This year's School is a valuable networking opportunity for title industry members!

- ▶ TLTA sponsors the Land Title School of Texas to contribute to the continuing education of its members and others. In keeping with TLTA's policy, participants must exercise independent judgment in deciding how to conduct their businesses.



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Meet the Experienced TLTA 2018 Land Title School Leadership and Faculty

2018 SCHOOL COMMITTEE CHAIR

- ***Brenda Nelson**
AVP, Senior Agency Executive & Educator, Old Republic National Title Insurance Company, Houston

**Denotes 2017-2018 TLTA
School Committee Member*

2018 SCHOOL EXECUTIVE TEAM

- ***Brandi Abercrombie, CESP, CTIP**
Closing Manager, East Texas Title Companies, Tyler
- ***E.J. Brent, CESP, CTIP, NTP**
Agency Manager, First American Title Insurance Company, Arlington
- ***Christie Deckard, CESP, CTIP**
Escrow Officer, Community Title, Nacogdoches
- ***Teresa Frost, CTIP**
VP, Texas State Agency Manager, National Investors Title Insurance Company, Austin
- ***Kristina Vargas, CTIP**
Title/Escrow Officer, Southwest Abstract Company, Inc., Del Rio

2018 SCHOOL FACULTY

- ***Karen Arthur, CESP**
Agency Representative, Old Republic National Title Insurance Company, Houston
- **Charles M. Craig**
Associate General Counsel, Stewart Title Guaranty Company, Austin
- **Bobbye Harris**, Underwriting Counsel/VP, Fidelity National Title Group, San Antonio
- **David M. Hays**
Vice President & Underwriting Counsel, First National Title Insurance Company, Plano
- ***Paula Hester**
President/Escrow Officer, Alamo Title Company, Colleyville
- **Denise Smith Holmes, CTIP**
VP, Policy and Compliance, Independence Title, Cypress
- **Cynthia A. Howell**
Texas Underwriting Counsel, First American Title Insurance Company, Inc., Houston
- ***Frances Hughes, CTIP**
Assistant Vice President, Underwriting Support Services, Alliant National Title Insurance Company, Decatur
- **Scott Lloyd Luna**
Chief Executive Officer, Excel Title Group, LLC, Plano
- **Paul McNutt, Jr.**
Executive Vice President/General Counsel, Title Resources Guaranty Company, Dallas
- **Richard Melamed**
Attorney, Richard Melamed, PLLC, Houston
- ***Ashlee Pfeiffer, CESP**
Kendall County Abstract Company, Boerne

ADDITIONAL 2017-2018 TLTA SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEMBERS:

- **Heidi Andrews**
Old Republic National Title Insurance Co.
- **Lisa Beville, CTIP**
Fidelity National Title Group
- **Debbie Briseno**
American Land Title, LLC
- **Christy Crosby, CAEP**
American Guaranty Title, L.L.C.
- **Victor Davis**
Stewart Title Guaranty Company
- **Betty DeReese, CTIP**
Security Title
- **Stacey Dunn**
Heritage Title Company of Austin, Inc.
- **Angela Fling**
Stewart Title Guaranty Company
- **Scott Florez**
Alliant National Title Insurance Company
- **Lauren Foster**
Charter Title Company
- **Jonathan Gonzalez Esq.**
JJ Gonzalez, Attorney At Law
- **Mindy Hallford, CTIP**
Heritage Title Company of Austin, Inc.
- **Janice Hataway, CTIP**
Austin Title Company
- **Mark Holley**
Westcor Land Title Insurance Company
- **Geri Hosterman**
First National Title Insurance Company
- **Loretta Janek**
First Title Company of Waco, LLC
- **Renee Johnson**
WFG National Title Insurance Company
- **Sandra Kachmar, CAEP, CTIP**
Mid-Coast Title Company, Inc.
- **Julie Kidwill**
National Investors Title Insurance Company
- **Leigh Kirby, CESP**
Lone Star Title Company of El Paso
- **Natalie Landry, CTIP**
Bay Area Title Services, LLC
- **Stephanie Lozano**
Capital Title of Texas, LLC
- **Kimberly McCoy**
Linear Title and Settlement Services, LLC
- **Kim Minks**
DHI Title Company of Central Texas
- **Allen Parker Jr., CAEP, CTIP**
DHI Title Company of Central Texas
- **Tava Patterson**
National Investors Title Insurance Company
- **Robin Pearson, CTIP**
Town Square Title Company, LLC
- **Steve Pursley, CAEP**
- **Cynthia Reynolds**
Alamo Title Company
- **Candie Sandlin, CTIP**
The Brown Law Firm, LLP
- **Kristy Santelia, CESP**
North American Title Company
- **Terri Saraceno, CESP**
Ishmael Law Firm, P.C.
- **Tammi Sewell**
First American Title Insurance Company
- **Cheri Swanson**
First National Title Insurance Company
- **Belinda Teague**
Benchmark Title, LLC
- **Laurie Teston**
Stewart Title Guaranty Company
- **Lara Thompson**
Independence Title
- **Amanda Tidmore, CESP**
First American Title Company
- **NolaAnn Waggoner**
First National Title Insurance Company
- **Elizabeth Woodroof CESP, CTIP**
Texas Secure Title Company, LLC
- **Gretchen Wright CESP, CTIP**
Texas Secure Title Company, LLC



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Program Schedule

Sunday, Feb. 4, 2018

3-5 pm School Check-In and Informal Reception with Students and Instructors
Students should plan to arrive at the Westin Austin at the Domain between 3 and 5 p.m. on Sunday to check in and pick up a reading assignment, which they will be tested on Monday morning.

Monday, Feb. 5, 2018

7:30 a.m. School Check-in and Continental Breakfast
8 Welcome and Housekeeping
Brenda Nelson
8:30 Insuring the Dream and Introduction to Title Insurance
EJ Brent
8:45 Title Insurance in Texas Is Regulated and Introduction to the Basic Manual
EJ Brent
9:15 Flow of a Standard Residential Transaction, Open Order Process and Contract Review
Karen Arthur
10:30 Break
10:45 Closing Disclosure
Brenda Nelson
Noon Lunch
1 p.m. Closing Disclosure (cont.)
2 Introduction to Land Titles; Ownership of Land, Abstracting and Examination
Brandi Abercrombie
2:30 Break
2:45 Abstract and Exam
Brandi Abercrombie
4:15 Extended Optional Q&A Session With Instructors

Tuesday, Feb. 6, 2018

7:30 a.m. Continental Breakfast
8 Conveyances and Authority Issues, Real Property Rights and Recording
Rick Melamed
9:30 Understanding Taxes
Charlie Craig
10:30 Break
10:45 Liens – Voluntary and Involuntary, Application of Underwriting Principles and Risk Management to Title Examination
Cynthia Howell

Tuesday, Feb. 6, 2018 (Cont'd)

12:30 p.m. Lunch
1:30 Morning Q&A
1:45 Curing Titles and Transfers of Operation by Law
Paul McNutt
3:15 Break
3:30 Introduction to Rules
Frances Hughes
4:45 Introduction to Endorsements
Paul McNutt
5:30 Afternoon Q&A

Wednesday, Feb. 7, 2018

7:30 a.m. Continental Breakfast
8 Surveys and Title Insurance
David Hays
9 Commitment
Kristina Vargas
10 Break
10:15 Policies
Paula Hester and Denise Holmes
11:15 Lenders, Loans and Loan Instructions
Scott Luna and Denise Holmes
12:15 p.m. Lunch
1:15 Morning Q&A
1:30 Federal Issues
Karen Arthur
2 Preparing to Close; Escrow Fiduciary Duties and Responsibilities
Brandi Abercrombie
2:30 Break
2:45 Advice to Closers and Ethical Considerations
Ashlee Pfeiffer
3:15 Funding and Recording
Ashlee Pfeiffer
3:45 Claims Awareness and Ethical Considerations
Bobbye Harris
4:15 Adjourn

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Register Online REGISTER ONLINE **or Use This Form | February 5-7, 2018**

Please type all information. Photocopy blank form for additional registrants if needed. An email confirmation will be sent to all registrants prior to the seminar. Faxed registration forms will be processed only if accompanied by credit card authorization; otherwise, they will be held until payment is received and charged the applicable registration fee at that time. Cancellations must be received in writing by 5 p.m. on Monday, Jan. 22, for a full refund. No-shows will not be refunded. Credits will not be applied to future TLTA events.

Registrant's Name _____

First Name for Badge _____

Job Title _____

Company _____

Mailing Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Business Phone _____ Fax _____

Email Address _____ Years of experience in the Title Industry _____

Job Type: Escrow Legal Examination Marketing Other _____

Mail or fax this form with payment to:

Texas Land Title Association
1717 W. 6th St., Suite 120
Austin, Texas 78703
Fax: 512.472.5931
Email: education@tlta.com

Payment Method

(See important information under Space Availability.)

Check Payable to "TLTA" enclosed
OR

Visa MasterCard American Express Diner's Club

Card # _____ Exp. Date _____

Name on Card _____

Signature _____

School Hotel Information

The School will take place at the Westin Austin Hotel at the Domain. Hotel accommodations are not included in registration fees. Please see page 2 of brochure for additional hotel information.

Space Availability

Space is limited and is expected to sell out. Register early through TLTA's online registration, email or fax your form with credit card payment to prevent registration delays. If mailing registrations with check, mail early to allow for additional postal delivery time. Remember, payment must accompany registration form to ensure timely processing.

Registration Information

Full registration course fees include a course notebook, lunches and refreshment breaks Monday through Wednesday. Attendees may need to arrive on Sunday due to an 8 a.m. start on Monday morning.

	EARLY on or before Jan. 12	REGULAR after Jan. 12
FULL		
<input type="checkbox"/> TLTA Member	\$635	\$695
<input type="checkbox"/> Nonmember	\$835	\$895
TOTAL DUE	_____	_____



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