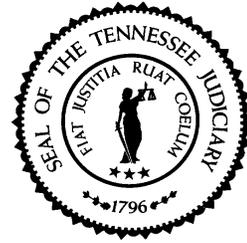


52<sup>nd</sup> Annual  
Tennessee General Sessions  
Judges' Conference



September 14-16  
The Peabody Hotel, Memphis

Brought to you by the AOC and your 2010-2011  
Executive Committee  
Thomas L. Moore, Jr., President

### Conference Information

The 52<sup>nd</sup> Annual General Sessions Judges' Conference is scheduled for September 14-16, 2011, at The Peabody Hotel, Memphis.

Please return the enclosed registration form by **Friday, August 12, 2011**. If you are unable to meet this deadline, please contact Sarah Appleby in order to make other arrangements.

### Hotel Information

We have reserved a block of rooms at The Peabody Hotel. These rooms will be held until **Monday, August 8<sup>th</sup>, 2011**. After that date, they will be available on a limited basis, at a higher rate. **You are responsible for making your own reservations.**

**To make reservations, please call (800) PEABODY and identify yourself as an attendee of the TGSJC.**

Single and double occupancy will be \$155.00  
The Hotel Services Fee is an additional \$5.95  
**Total Room Rate \$160.95 per night.**

Parking is **\$12.00** per day at the Peabody Hotel. (Please note that the email confirmation you receive from the hotel once you have made your reservation will have an incorrect parking amount).

Check-in time is 4:00 pm eastern time and check-out time is 11:00 am central time. Cancellation of individual guest rooms must be made 72 hours prior to arrival to qualify for a refund.

If you require an accommodation and/or have special needs because of a qualified disability, have questions, or need additional information, please contact Sarah Appleby at (615) 741-2687.

In order to receive tax-exempt status on your room at The Peabody Hotel, you must bring a tax exempt form with you. You must have an original copy of the certificate. In addition, YOU MUST PAY WITH A CREDIT CARD OR CHECK THAT MATCHES THE GROUP OF THE TAX-EXEMPT CERTIFICATE. (Ex. If you submit a Hardeman County tax-exempt certificate, you must pay with either a Hardeman County check or credit card.)

## Registration

You must complete the attached registration form and return it to Sarah Appleby at the Administrative Office of the Courts **no later than Friday, August 12th, 2011**. For your convenience, you may fax the completed form to (615) 741-6285 or (615) 532-9818 or email to [sarah.appleby@tncourts.gov](mailto:sarah.appleby@tncourts.gov).

You may also **register online** at [www.tncourts.gov](http://www.tncourts.gov). Go to the “Administration” page, click on “Continuing Legal Education”. Password to enter the CLE page is “JUSTICE”.

Please send a check made payable to the Tennessee General Sessions Judges’ Conference (**TGSJC**) for the total amount of your registration fees. For all judges attending the TGSJC 2011 Annual Conference, there is a **\$175.00 NON-REFUNDABLE** registration fee. This registration fee includes all of the following events:

- Welcome Reception at University of Memphis Cecil C. Humphreys School of Law, Tuesday, Sept. 13<sup>th</sup>
- Conference Luncheon/Business Meeting, Wednesday, Sept. 14<sup>th</sup>
- Continental Breakfast, Friday, Sept. 16<sup>th</sup>

For any spouse/guest attending, there is an additional **\$50.00 NON-REFUNDABLE** spouse/guest registration fee. This registration fee includes the following event:

- Welcome Reception at University of Memphis Cecil C. Humphreys School of Law

If a spouse/guest wishes to attend the Conference Luncheon, the price will be an additional \$40.00 per person.

## CLE Program

This year’s meeting will offer approximately 10.5 hours of CLE credit. An updated agenda will be sent to you as the conference date approaches.

## Committee Meetings

If you are a committee chair and wish to schedule a meeting during the conference, please contact Sarah Appleby at (615) 741-2687 to make arrangements. All requests for

meetings must be finalized by **Friday, August 12, 2011**. It will be your responsibility to notify your committee members of the pending meeting.

### **Current Committee Meetings Schedule**

Tuesday, September 13, 2011

Executive Committee

Time: 4:00 pm – 5:00 pm

Location: The Peabody Hotel, Memphis

Friday, September 16, 2011

Education Committee

Breakfast Meeting

Time: 7:30 am – 9:00 am

Location: The Peabody Hotel, Memphis

## **Deadlines**

- Hotel sleeping room deadline **Monday, August 8<sup>th</sup>**
- Conference registration deadline **Friday, August 12<sup>th</sup>**

Once you have registered for the conference you should receive a confirmation memo. This usually takes one to two weeks. If you do not receive confirmation of your registration prior to the conference, please contact Sarah Appleby (615) 741-2687 as soon as possible.

## **Additional Information**

Please complete the attached registration form in its entirety and include your check made payable to the **Tennessee General Sessions Judges Conference (TGSJC)**. Mail it to the Administrative Office of the Courts, Attn: Sarah Appleby. **In order to participate in the events included in the registration fee, you must indicate your attendance on the registration form.**

We must have an accurate count of participants in advance, and additional spaces may not be available as the conference nears. This will allow us to notify the hotel as to the number of people attending meal functions and to reserve adequate transportation, when needed.

**If you are paying by county check, please make sure the check is made out to the TGSJC -Attn: Sarah Appleby. Last year several checks were deposited incorrectly due to the checks being made out to the AOC and were not directed to my attention.**

**\*\*Please note the AOC cannot accept payment by credit card\*\***

# Social Events and Activities

## Tuesday, September 13, 2011

**Welcome Reception and Entertainment at University of Memphis Cecil C. Humphreys School of Law** (included with registration fee)

Welcome to Memphis! Join us for a reception, drinks and entertainment on Tuesday, September 13<sup>th</sup> from 6:00 pm - 9:00 pm. A cash bar will be available. Transportation will be provided from the Peabody Hotel.

## Wednesday, September 14<sup>th</sup>, 2011

### Evening Social Event: Tunica Bus Trip (\$15.00 per person)

The bus will leave at 5:45pm for a fun-filled evening at Tunica's Goldstrike, Horseshoe & Sheraton Casinos, returning to Memphis promptly at 10:30pm.

## Thursday, September 15, 2011

### Afternoon CLE and Social Activity: Once in a Life Time Conference Opportunity to Visit Reelfoot Lake in Northwest Tennessee.

Described by Judge Moore as "A scenic road trip, along the Mississippi River to a unique area of Tennessee, on the 200<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the formation of the largest lake in the world formed by an earthquake"  
(\$60.00 per person)

A CLE program will be offered on the 1.5 hour bus trip to Reelfoot Lake, by General Sessions Court Judge Andrew Brigham and by Circuit Court Judge Clayburn Peeples, who will speak on the rich history and famous court cases surrounding Reelfoot Lake and the Night Riders. Lunch will be provided on the bus.

When we arrive, a Reelfoot Lake Pontoon Boat Cruise offers naturalist guided excursions to experience the beauty and natural wonder of Reelfoot Lake and to learn about this truly unique area. This is limited to a small number. Those not able to go on the tour can visit the R.C. Donaldson Memorial Museum that features natural and cultural exhibits of the area, audio visual programs, and a cypress boardwalk.

After visiting the lake, evening supper will be provided at Boyette's (Judge Moore's Favorite restaurant!). With entertainment provided by Mike Snyder, *Grand Ole Opry & Hee-Haw Entertainer*. CLE will be offered again on the bus ride back to Memphis.

## Friday, September 16, 2011

### Afternoon Social Activity: Golf Scramble at Tunica National Golf Course

Designed by Mark McCumber, the public 18-hole course features Champion Bermuda greens, gently rolling fairways, tee boxes with six markers, and generous landing areas that both pros and joes enjoy.

More information on how to register for this event and pricing will be sent out separately.

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## TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 13, 2011

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4:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.      **Executive Committee Meeting**  
Judge Thomas Moore, presiding

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6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.      **Welcome Reception**  
University of Memphis Cecil C. Humphreys School of Law

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## WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, 2011

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8:45 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.      **Opening Remarks**  
Judge Thomas Moore, Libby Sykes, AOC Director

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9:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.      **Review of DUI Laws, Recent Legislation & Significant Cases**  
-Steve Oberman, Esq.

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10:45 a.m. – 11:45 a.m.      **Civil Collections Panel**  
Judge Phyllis Gardner, Judge Nolan Goolsby, Bennett Fox, Esq.,  
David Mendelson, Esq., Tom Norris, Esq., Frank Zigler, Esq.

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12:00 p.m. – 1:30 p.m.      **Conference Luncheon**  
Hampton Sides, Author

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1:30 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.      **Business Meeting & Legislative Update**  
Judge Thomas Moore, Judge Ben Strand

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3:15 p.m. – 4:45 p.m.      **Complex Sexual Assault Cases: Guidelines in the Pursuit of  
Judicial Excellence**  
Carol Etherington, M.S.N. R.N.  
Vanderbilt University Institute for Global Health

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5:45 p.m. – 11:00 p.m.      **Evening Social Event: Tunica**

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## THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 2011

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8:30 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.      **Criminal Law Update**  
Judge Dwight Stokes

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9:45 a.m. – 10:45 a.m.      **Criminal Law Update, Continued**  
-Judge Dwight Stokes

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11:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.      **Access to Justice: TGSJC Bench Book for Working  
with Pro Se Litigants**  
Judge Dwight Stokes

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12:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.      **Afternoon CLE & Social Activity:  
Reelfoot Lake Boat Tour, Dinner & Entertainment**  
CLE will be provided on transportation to Reelfoot Lake by  
General Sessions Judge Andrew Brigham & Circuit Court Judge  
Clayburn Peeples

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## FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 16, 2011

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7:30 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.      **Education Committee Breakfast Meeting**  
Judge Daniel Smith, presiding

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**9:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.**

**Ethics Presentation: Court of Judiciary Hot Topics**

Tim Discenza, Esq., Court of the Judiciary

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**10:45 a.m. – 11:45 a.m.**

**Effective Communication with Individuals with Disabilities**

Martha M. Lafferty, Esq.,

Disability Law & Advocacy Center of Tennessee

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**12:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.**

**Afternoon Social Activity: Golf Scramble at**

**Tunica National Golf Course**

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# TGSJC - FALL 2011 REGISTRATION FORM

NAME \_\_\_\_\_ COUNTY \_\_\_\_\_

SPOUSE/GUEST \_\_\_\_\_  
As it should appear on nametag

Please select the appropriate activities below and return to the Administrative Office of the Courts with a check made payable to the ***TGSJC and attention: Sarah Appleby***

\$ 175.00 **JUDGES REGISTRATION FEE REQUIRED (non-refundable)**

This fee includes the following: (please check only if you are attending)

- Welcome Reception at University of Memphis Cecil C. Humphreys School of Law Tuesday, Sept. 13<sup>th</sup>**  
*Join us for this welcome reception for judges and their guests. Reception provided and cash bar available.*
- Conference Luncheon and Business Meeting Wednesday, September 14<sup>th</sup>**
- Continental Breakfast (provided for conference members only) Friday, September 16<sup>th</sup>**

\$ \_\_\_\_\_ **GUEST (spouse, child or guest) REGISTRATION FEE REQUIRED IF APPLICABLE (non-refundable)**  
\$50.00 per person - This fee includes the following:

- Welcome Reception at University of Memphis Cecil C. Humphreys School of Law Tuesday, Sept. 13<sup>th</sup>**

## WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, 2011

### **Tunica Bus Trip**

\$ \_\_\_\_\_ = # \_\_\_\_\_ x \$15.00 per person (includes transportation only)

## THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 2011

### **Reelfoot Lake CLE Program and Tour**

\$ \_\_\_\_\_ = # \_\_\_\_\_ x \$60.00 per person

## FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 16, 2011 AFTERNOON ACTIVITY

### **Golf Scramble**

\$ \_\_\_\_\_ = # \_\_\_\_\_ x Price to be determined-Information is forthcoming

## ADDITIONAL ACTIVITIES

### **GUEST Conference Luncheon**

\$ \_\_\_\_\_ = # \_\_\_\_\_ x \$40.00 per guest

\$ \_\_\_\_\_ **TOTAL FEES PAID** (remember to include required registration fees)

\*\*Please note that the AOC cannot accept payment in the form of a credit card\*\*

Please list any special needs or dietary restrictions: \_\_\_\_\_

PLEASE RETURN FORM TO: Administrative Office of the Courts, ATTN: Sarah Appleby, 511 Union Street, Suite 600, Nashville, TN 37219 Fax: 615-741-6285 or 615-532-9818

# DEADLINE TO REGISTER IS AUGUST 12, 2011



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<http://www.peabodymemphis.com/>

- Take I-40 West (follow signs to Little Rock, AR).
- Take Exit 1A/Second Street and merge onto N. 2<sup>nd</sup> Street.
- Follow 2<sup>nd</sup> Street across Union Avenue.
- Parking garage will be on the left

