

Professional Bondsmen of Texas
Legislative Leadership Development Workshop

TENTATIVE PROGRAM

DAY 1 (Tuesday, March 10, 2009)

1:30pm	Welcome.	Scott Walstad, LegisCmtChair
	Purpose and Course Outline.	Don Ward, Executive Dir.
2:00pm	Organization of Texas Government.	Jamie Luby, Legis Consultant
	a. Executive, Legislative, and Judicial Branches.	
	b. Texas State Agencies.	
	c. "The Third House" - Lobbyists.	
2:30pm	Overview of the 140-Day Legislative Session.	Ms Luby
3:00pm	Rules of the Legislature and Legislative Strategy.	Hector Uribe, Legis Consultant
	a. Examples of PBT legislative efforts	
4:00pm	Legislative Tools.	Ms Luby
	a. How to read and track bills.	
	b. Use of TLS and on-line resources.	
4:45pm	Notes for DAY 2 (directions to Capitol and parking info)	Mr. Ward
4:45pm	BREAK	
6:00pm	Assemble in hotel lobby and car pool to dinner	
6:30pm	Dinner at <i>Austin Land and Cattle</i> Steakhouse (<u>Dutch-treat</u>)	

DAY 2 (Wednesday, March 11, 2009)

7:30am	Breakfast at hotel (on your own).	
8:30am	Assemble in hotel lobby and car pool to Capitol.	
9:00am	Familiarization with Capitol and Legislative Protocol.	PBT Lobby team
		(Mark Borskey, Jamie Luby, Hector Uribe)
	a. Welcome to Capitol and Constituent relations.	Guest Legislator
	b. How to get around the Texas Capitol.	
	c. Visiting Your Legislator's Office...What to Say?	
	d. Legislative Committee Hearing.	
	(1) Protocol and etiquette.	
	(2) Getting comfortable with the process (mock hearing).	
11:00am	Legislative visits (Divide into teams of 2-3)	
	a. Find and visit <u>each</u> team members Senator and Representative office.	
	b. Must sign guest book and get card for contact person.	
	c. Reassemble in Capitol Grill.	
12 noon	Lunch in Capitol Grill (<u>Dutch treat</u>).	
	a. Wrap-up Session (Question/Answer and comments).	
	b. Follow-up activities and legislative contacts at home.	

OPTIONAL

1:00pm	Tour of historic Capitol.
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RECOMMENDED ATTIRE - Legislative business

Men-coat and tie; Ladies-dress or pantsuit