

# OVERVIEW OF EVENTS

## Monday, August 12

### Open Sessions - Grand Ballroom

- 7:00 AM** Registration
- 7:30 AM** Breakfast
- 8:30 AM** **Welcome**  
*Christina Adkins, Director of Elections*
- 8:45 AM** **Elections Division: Who We Are & What We Do**  
*Kristi Hart, Deputy Director of Elections*
- 9:15 AM** **Opening Remarks**  
*Christina Adkins, Director of Elections*
- 9:45 AM** **County Spotlight: Community Engagement**  
*Lisa Hayes, Guadalupe County*
- 10:15 AM** **Demystifying the Election Code**  
*Chuck Pinney, Elections Attorney*  
*John Greenman, Elections Attorney*
- 10:45 AM** **Voter Education Campaign**  
*Alicia Pierce, Assistant Secretary of State for Communications*
- 11:00 AM** **Address from Secretary of State Jane Nelson**
- 11:30 AM** **Lunch on Your Own**
- 12:50 PM** **Audit Drawing**  
*Jane Nelson, Secretary of State*
- 1:00 PM** **Managing Stress in Elections**  
*Sonja Gaines, Former Executive Commissioner of Behavioral Health, TX HHSC*
- 1:45 PM** **County Spotlight: Accessibility**  
*Lisa Wise, El Paso County*  
*Melissa Martin, El Paso County*
- 2:15 PM** **Voter Registration Responsibilities**  
*Heidi Martinez, Managing Attorney*
- 3:00 PM** **Break**
- 3:30 PM** **Audits: Lessons Learned**  
*Holly Justice, Audit Manager*  
*Remi Garza, Cameron County*  
*Bekky Rogers, Eastland County*  
*Lisa Hayes, Guadalupe County*  
*Teneshia Hudspeth, Harris County*
- 4:15 PM** **Chapter 19/Voter Registration Postage Updates**  
*Dan Glotzer, Manager of Election Funds Management*

## Tuesday, August 13

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- 7:00 AM** Registration
- 7:30 AM** Breakfast
- 8:00 AM** **Special Forms of Voting**  
*Lena Proft, Elections Attorney*  
*Sara Braun, Elections Attorney*
- 8:45 AM** **Telling Your Story**  
*Amy Cohen, National Association of State Election Directors*
- 9:15 AM** **Conducting the Partial Manual Count**  
*Andre Montgomery, Elections Attorney*  
*Charles Maddox, Elections Attorney*  
*Eric Buntin, Election Trainer*  
*Meg Pettersson, Election Trainer*
- 10:00 AM** **EAC: Communicating About Audits**  
*Monica Childers, U.S. Election Assistance Commission*
- 10:45 AM** **Updates from the Office of the Attorney General**  
*Geoffrey Barr, Texas Office of the Attorney General*
- 11:15 AM** **Protecting Voter Privacy**  
*Christina Adkins, Director of Elections*
- 11:45AM** **BBQ Luncheon**  
*Rio Grande Hall – Down Stairs*

### Closed Breakout Sessions

- 1:00 PM** **Tabletop Exercise**  
*Elections Division and Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency*
- Large Counties | Ballroom A**  
Voter Registration: 100,000 +
- Medium Counties | Ballroom B**  
Voter Registration: 10,000 – 100,000
- Small Counties | Bluebonnet**  
Voter Registration: 1 – 10,000
- 3:30 PM** **Break**
- 4:00 PM** **Tabletop Exercise**  
*Elections Division and Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency*
- Large Counties | Ballroom A**  
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Voter Registration: 10,000 – 100,000
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Voter Registration: 1 – 10,000

## Wednesday, August 14

### Closed Sessions - Grand Ballroom

- 7:00 AM** Registration
- 7:30 AM** Breakfast
- 8:30 AM** **De-escalation**  
*Joshua Velasquez, Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency*
- 9:15 AM** **Law Enforcement and Elections**  
*Christina Adkins, Director of Elections*  
*Ryan Jimenez, Elections Attorney*
- 10:00 AM** **Emergency Preparedness in Elections**  
*Chief Nim Kidd, Texas Division of Emergency Management*  
*Teneshia Hudspeth, Harris County*  
*Shawn Weemes, Election Trainer*
- 10:45 AM** **County Q&A**  
*Elections Division*
- 11:30 AM** **Lunch on Your Own**
- 1:00 PM** **Ransomware**  
*Ernesto Ballesteros, Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency*
- 1:45 PM** **Communicating in Crisis**  
*Katherine McLane, The Mach 1 Group*  
*Alice Claiborne, The Mach 1 Group*
- 2:15 PM** **Incident Response from a State Perspective**  
*Jeremy Wilson, Texas Department of Information Resources*  
*Shamika Fehr, Chief Information Security Officer*  
*Kristi Hart, Deputy Director of Elections*
- 2:45 PM** **Setting Up Polling Locations**  
*Election Trainers*
- 3:15 PM** **Break**

### Closed Breakout Sessions

- 3:45 PM** **Breakout Discussions by County Size**
- Large Counties | Ballroom A**  
Voter Registration: 100,000 +
- Medium Counties | Ballroom B**  
Voter Registration: 10,000 – 100,000
- Small Counties | Bluebonnet**  
Voter Registration: 1 – 10,000

### Open and Closed Sessions

The conference will close to the public beginning at 1:00 PM on Tuesday, August 13. Only registered county election personnel will be permitted.