

# 70<sup>th</sup> Annual Tennessee Judicial Conference

June 13-16, 2023



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## **AGENDA & PROGRAM**

**Tuesday, June 13, 2023**

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| 1:00 – 5:00 PM | <b>Registration</b><br><i>Mezzanine</i>  |
| 1:00 – 2:00 PM | <b>Education Committee Meeting</b><br><i>Great Smokey B&amp;C</i>  |
| 2:00 – 5:00 PM | <b>TPI Civil Committee Meeting</b><br><i>Great Smokey B&amp;C</i>  |
| 2:00 – 5:00 PM | <b>TPI Criminal Committee Meeting</b><br><i>Sequoyah III</i>   |
| 4:00 – 5:00 PM | <b>Tennessee Trial Judges Association Executive Committee Meeting</b><br><i>Sequoyah I</i>   |
| 5:30 PM        | <b>TN Highway Patrol will escort attendees to the Square Room</b><br>*Transportation will be provided to those who require it*<br><i>Meet in Hilton's Main Lobby</i> |
| 6:00 – 9:30 PM | <b>Executive Committee and Past Presidents Dinner</b><br><i>The Square Room</i><br><i>(4 Market Square, Knoxville, TN 37902)</i>                                     |

**Wednesday, June 14, 2023**

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| 6:15 – 7:15 AM | <b>Judicial Wellness – Part I (1.00 Dual)</b><br><i>Meet in the Mezzanine</i>         |
| 7:00 AM        | <b>Registration</b><br><i>Mezzanine</i>   |
| 7:00 – 8:00 AM | <b>Tennessee Judicial Foundation Breakfast Meeting</b><br><i>Great Smokey B&amp;C</i> |

7:00 – 9:00 AM	<b>Deluxe Continental Breakfast</b> <i>Mezzanine</i>
8:30 – 10:00 AM	<b>Opening Remarks, Roll Call, Election of Officers, &amp; Memorial Resolutions</b> -Honorable Pamela A. Fleenor, Tennessee Judicial Conference President -Honorable Roger A. Page, Chief Justice, Tennessee Supreme Court -Michelle J. Long, Director, Administrative Office of the Courts -Honorable Thomas R. Frierson II, Tennessee Court of Appeals <i>Salon ABC</i>
9:30 – 10:30 AM	<b>Judicial Family Institute Coffee Break – “Jolt Before You Bolt”</b> <i>Sequoyah I</i>
10:00 – 10:15 AM	<b>Break</b>
10:15 – 11:15 AM	<b>Response to an Active Shooter (1.00 Dual)</b> Brought to you by: Judicial Family Institute -Jeff Lindsey, Program Manager, UT Law Enforcement Innovation Center <i>Salon ABC</i>
11:15 – 11:30 AM	<b>Break</b>
11:30 AM – 1:00 PM	<b>Tennessee Judicial Conference Luncheon</b> -Governor Bill Lee <i>Salon DE</i>
1:00 – 1:15 PM	<b>Break</b>
1:15 – 2:30 PM	<b>New Law Update (1.25 General)</b> -Charlie Baldwin, Assistant General Counsel for Legislation and Court Initiatives, Administrative Office of the Courts -Michelle Consiglio-Young, Director and Counsel, Office of Intergovernmental Affairs, Administrative Office of the Courts <i>Salon ABC</i>
1:30 PM	<b>TN Court of Appeals &amp; TN Court of Criminal Appeals Meeting</b> <i>Knoxville Supreme Court Building (505 Main St, Knoxville, TN 37902)</i>
2:30 – 2:45 PM	<b>Break</b>
2:45 – 3:45 PM	<b>Tennessee Lawyers Assistance Program (1.00 Dual)</b> -Honorable Michael Spitzer, Circuit Court Judge, 32 <sup>nd</sup> Judicial District -Buddy Stockwell, Executive Director, Tennessee Lawyers Assistance Program <i>Salon ABC</i>
4:00 – 5:00 PM	<b>Tennessee Trial Judges Association Meeting</b> <i>Salon ABC</i>

6:00 – 9:00 PM

**Social Event – Cruise on the Tennessee River**

\*See AOC registration desk to sign-up for a bus departure time\*

*Volunteer Princess Cruises (956 Volunteer Landing Ln, Knoxville, TN 37915)*

**Thursday, June 15, 2023**

7:00 AM

**Registration**

*Mezzanine*

7:00 -8:00 AM

**Judicial Wellness – Part II (1.00 Dual)**

*Meet in the Mezzanine*

7:00 – 8:00 AM

**Alumni Law School Breakfast**

*Marriott Knoxville Downtown (525 Henley St., Knoxville, TN 37902)*

\*Transportation is not provided for this event\*

7:00 – 9:00 AM

**Deluxe Continental Breakfast**

*Mezzanine*

8:30 AM

**TN Highway Patrol will escort TJC attendees to the Marriott**

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*Meet in Hilton’s Main Lobby*

9:00 – 9:45 AM

**Bench Bar – Full Court Press: How Pat Summitt and a Legal Team Changed The Game (0.75 General)**

-William Haltom

-Amanda Swanson Esq.

*Wiley/Milani Room*

*Marriott Knoxville Downtown (525 Henley St., Knoxville, TN 37902)*

9:45 – 10:00 AM

**Break**

10:00 – 10:45 AM

**Bench Bar – Crushin’ Barriers in UT Athletics (0.75 General)**

-Joan Cronan, Women’s Athletic Director Emeritus, University of Tennessee

*Wiley/Milani Room*

*Marriott Knoxville Downtown (525 Henley St., Knoxville, TN 37902)*

10:45 – 11:00 AM

**Break**

11:00 – 11:45 AM

**Bench Bar – NIL: The Wild, Wild West? (0.75 General)**

-E. Michael Brezina, III Esq.

*Wiley/Milani Room*

*Marriott Knoxville Downtown (525 Henley St., Knoxville, TN 37902)*

11:45 AM – 12:00 PM

**Break**

12:00 – 1:30 PM

**Bench Bar Luncheon**

-Rick Barnes, Men’s Basketball Head Coach, University of Tennessee

*Fulton Room*

*Marriott Knoxville Downtown (525 Henley St., Knoxville, TN 37902)*

- 1:30 PM **TN Highway Patrol will escort TJC attendees to the Hilton**  
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*Meet in Marriott's Main Lobby*
- 6:00 – 9:00 PM **TBA & TJC Joint Social Event – Neyland Stadium Social Deck**  
\*Transportation will be Provided\*

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**Friday, June 16, 2023**

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- 7:30 – 9:00 AM **Deluxe Continental Breakfast**  
*Mezzanine*
- 8:30 – 9:00 AM **Tennessee Judicial Conference Business Meeting  
& Induction of New Officers**  
*Salon ABC*
- 9:15 – 10:00 AM **Executive Committee Meeting**  
*Salon ABC*
- 10:00 AM **TJC Conference Adjourned**
- 12:00 – 1:30 PM **TBA Lawyer's Luncheon**  
*Fulton*  
*(Marriott Knoxville Downtown (525 Henley St., Knoxville, TN 37902))*  
\*Transportation is not provided for this event\*