



# Children's Commission.

For Judges and Attorneys Handling Child Protective Services Cases

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## National Association of Counsel for Children's Annual Conference

This year, the NACC will host its 41st National Child Welfare, Juvenile Justice, and Family Law Conference in San Antonio, August 23-25, 2018. To enable attorneys to take advantage of this opportunity, the Children's Commission will offer scholarships to attend the full conference as well as the NACC's pre-conference session which will focus on preparation for the NACC Child Welfare Law Specialization Exam. Please stay tuned for a future announcement about the opening of the scholarship application process. Texas attorneys and judges are also encouraged to consider submitting a proposal for a workshop or plenary presentation at this year's conference. The NACC is seeking abstract proposals to support three conference tracks: Child Welfare, Juvenile Justice, and Family Law or Immigration.

For more information and to submit an abstract, please link here:

<http://www.naccchildlaw.org/page/AbstractSubmission>. The current February 1 deadline will be extended to February 15, but early submissions are welcome.

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## New Child Protection Law Section of the State Bar of Texas

On Friday, January 26th, the Board of Directors of the State Bar of Texas voted to approve the formation of the newest member Section: the Child Protection Law Section. According to the State Bar of Texas, Sections are "designed to offer closer association between attorneys engaged in specialized fields of law, thus providing the opportunity to share professional experiences." The Child Protection Law Section will serve to support Texas attorneys on the CPS docket across the state by providing legal education and opportunities to raise the caliber of legal representation for children, their families, and the Department of Family and Protective Services.

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## Job Opening at the Children's Commission

The Children's Commission is currently accepting applications for a Staff Attorney. This position reports to the Executive Director. At least three years' experience as a licensed attorney and graduation from an accredited law school with a Bachelor of Laws (LL.B.) or a Juris Doctor (J.D.) degree, and knowledge of the Texas child welfare system is required. Please link to the job posting [here \(Work in Texas Job Posting ID 3533791\)](#). All applicants must submit a resume and State of Texas employment application. A link to the State of Texas application is included in the announcement. The job posting is open until the position is filled.





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