

Petal to the Metal: A Discussion with the Rose City Judges

Panel:

Judge Jeremy Kernoodle, USDC, EDTX

Judge Cam Barker, USDC, EDTX

Introductions: David O'Toole, Clerk of Court

Co-Moderator: Magistrate Judge John Love, USDC, EDTX

Co-Moderator: Magistrate Judge Nicole Mitchell, USDC, EDTX

Panelists discuss the docket in Tyler.

Judicial Influences of the panelists.

What was the most surprising change about becoming a federal judge.

Decision-making as a federal judge

Specific discussions regarding the Tyler courthouse. The types of cases included diversity jurisdiction, statutory claims, employment disputes, ADA challenges.

On the criminal side, panelists discuss the split of civil v. criminal cases. The Tyler division does not see the criminal caseload that the metroplex does and discovers it's about a 70% civil, 30% criminal split.

Panelists discuss standing orders and local practices along with screening process for motions, handling briefing, expedited briefing and expedited hearings.

Helpful briefing tips were provided to the attorneys

Judges talk about the "meet and confer" process and how helpful it is to the Court.