

# TEXAS CUSTOMS BROKERS & FORWARDERS CONFERENCE AGENDA

Wednesday, September 21, 2016

Registration Opens 6:30 p.m.

Networking 6:30-7:30 p.m.

CALLING ALL SUPERHERO CUSTOMS BROKERS, FREIGHT FORWARDERS AND SPEAKERS TO  
MEET AND MINGLE AT THE SUPERHEROS NETWORKING CONFERENCE KICK-OFF!



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Thursday, September 22, 2016

Import Sessions		Export Sessions	
7:30-8:30 a.m.	Registration	7:30-8:30 a.m.	Registration
7:30-8:30 a.m.	<b>Welcome Breakfast-Sponsored by Avalon Risk Management</b>	7:30-8:30 a.m.	<b>Welcome Breakfast-Sponsored by Avalon Risk Management</b>
8:30 to 9:30 <b>Room</b>	<b>Speaker: Jennifer Horvath-</b> <b>Associate Attorney, Braumiller Law Group, PLLC</b> <i>Overview of Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Issues: Role of the Broker</i>	8:30 to 9:30 <b>Room</b>	<b>Speaker: Chris Shelton, TSA</b> <b>Supervisory Air Marshal</b> <b>OTD Canine Training Center</b> <i>Exciting live demonstration and introduction to our four legged officers that help keep America safe!</i>
9:35-10:40 <b>Room</b>	<b>Speaker: Lawrence Friedman,</b> <b>Partner, Barnes, Richardson &amp; Colburn</b> <i>What a Customs Brokers needs to know about tariff engineering</i> Lawrence writes and maintains a customs related blog at <a href="http://www.customslaw.blogspot.com">www.customslaw.blogspot.com</a> .	9:35-10:40 <b>Room</b>	<b>Speaker: George Tuttle, Esq.</b> <b>The law offices of George R. Tuttle</b> <i>Six things a Forwarder needs to know about U.S. Export Controls</i>
10:40-10:55	<b>Break-Sponsor: Avalon Risk Management</b>	10:40-10:55	<b>Break Sponsor: Avalon Risk Management</b>
10:55-11:55 <b>Room</b>	<b>Speaker: Lenny Feldman,</b> <b>Managing member of Sandler, Travis &amp; Rosenberg, P.A.</b> <i>Topic pending</i>	10:55-11:55 <b>Room</b>	<b>Speaker: Edward Greenberg,</b> <b>GKG Law, P.C.</b> <i>Topic pending</i>
12:00 -1:00 pm <b>Room</b>	Lunch <b>Sponsored by</b>	12:00-1:00 pm <b>Room</b>	Lunch <b>Sponsored by</b>

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Import Sessions		Export Sessions	
1:00-2:00 pm <b>Room</b>	<p><b>Speaker: Barbara Weisel,</b> Assistant U.S. Trade Affairs Representative SE Asia &amp; Pacific.</p> <p><i>Ms. Weisel was the lead negotiator on Trans Pacific Partnership Agreement</i></p>	1:00-2:00 pm <b>Room</b>	<p><b>Speaker: Eric Gauthier,</b> AESDirect Client Representative, U.S. Census Bureau</p> <p><i>Resolving errors in the Automated Export System and AES migration into the Automated Commercial Environment (ACE)</i></p>
2:00 to 3:00 <b>Room</b>	<p><b>Speaker: Cindy DeLeon</b> (Former CBP Senior Auditor &amp; Assistant Field Director)</p> <p><i>CBP Broker MGT Reviews vs Broker Audits, What's the difference and how to prepare when you are selected</i></p>	2:00 to 3:00 <b>Room</b>	<p><b>Speaker: Neil B. Mooney, Esq.</b></p> <p><i>Prior Disclosure of errors in export (Commerce, FMC, State Dept., Customs, etc....)</i></p>
3:00-3:15	<b>Break- Sponsored by</b>	3:00-3:15	<b>Break-Sponsored by</b>
3:15-4:15 <b>Room</b>	<p><b>Speaker: BNSF &amp; UP Railroad</b></p> <p><i>Positive Train Control and new requirements and their effect on trade</i></p>	3:15-4:15 <b>Room</b>	<p><b>Speaker: Rick Shimon, Bureau of Industry and Security (BIS)</b></p> <p><i>Case Examples BIS Enforcement Trends Typical causes of violations JCPOA (Iran)/Cuba Guidance ZTE Case Latest</i></p>
4:15-5:15 <b>Room</b>	<p><b>Speaker: Joseph Acayan, Givens and Johnston, PLLC</b></p> <p><i>Minimizing broker liability: How to defend against the "blame the broker" defense</i></p>	4:15-5:15 <b>Room</b>	<p><b>Speaker: Michael Hebert Jr., CBP Jones Act Division of Enforcement (JADE)</b></p> <p><i>Topic Pending</i></p>
5:15 pm Exhibitor Hall	<p>Networking, meeting and mingling in the exhibitor hall</p> <p><b>Sponsored by Roanoke Trade</b></p>		

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Friday, September 23, 2016

7:30 am to 8:00 am	<b>Welcome Breakfast-Sponsored by: <i>Givens &amp; Johnston, PLLC</i></b>
8:30 am to 9:00 <b>Room</b>	<b>Keynote Speaker: NCBFAA President <b>Geoffrey Powell</b>, CH Powell Company</b>
9:00 am to 9:45 <b>Room</b>	<b>Speaker: <b>Larry Hanson</b>, Attorney at Law, The Law Office of Lawrence W. Hanson, P.C.</b> <i>The Trade Facilitation and Enforcement Act: A discussion of the current status and the development and implementation of regulations</i>
9:45 am to 10:00	<b>Break-Sponsored by <i>Avalon Risk Management</i></b>
10:00 am to 11:00 <b>Room</b>	<b>Speaker: <b>Cheryl Johnson</b>, Branch Chief, Audit Policy, Office of Regulatory Audit</b> <i>CBP Regulatory Audit Updates</i>
11:00 am to 12:00 pm <b>Room</b>	<b>Speaker: <b>Colleen Clark (Roanoke) + Grant Goldsmith (Avalon)</b></b> <i>Topic pending</i>
12:00 to 1:30 <b>Room</b>	<b>Lunch Keynote Speaker: <b>Brenda Smith</b></b> <b>Assistant Commissioner CBP, Office of International Trade, U.S. Customs and Border Protection</b> <b><i>Lunch-Sponsored by</i></b>
1:30 to 3:00 <b>Room</b>	<b>ACE Session</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Speaker: <b>Steven Zaccaro</b> “Voice of the ACE Daily Trade Call”</b> <b>Branch Chief-Client Representatives Southern Team</b></li> <li><b>Speaker: <b>Sandra Langford-Coty</b>, OHL Intl, VP &amp; Licensed Customs Broker,</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>R-ACE to the finish line</li> </ul> </li> <li><b>Speaker: <b>Craig Seelig</b>, WiseTech Global, Project Manager</b> <b>Customs and Compliance, Americas</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Firsthand experience from an ABI/ACE Software perspective</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
3:00 to 3:15	<b><i>Break-Sponsored by</i></b>

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3:15 to 4:15  
**Room**

**Speakers:** **Bradd Skinner**, CBP Director of the Centers for Excellence and Expertise and **Armando Taboada**, CBP Assistant Director of the Centers for Excellence and Expertise.

*Topic Pending*

4:15-5:15  
**Room**

**Speaker:** **Ruth Rodriguez**, Attorney, Gonzalez Rolon Valdespino & Rodriguez

*Import & Export Law Updates that every Customs Broker should know*

7:00  
**Room**

*Cocktails sponsored by Braumiller Law Group; DeLeon Trade LLC; The Law Offices of George R Tuttle*

*Games & Prizes sponsored by*

Friday Event  
**All Day in the  
Exhibitor Hall**

## **CBP ACE Ambassadors and ACE Field Readiness Coordinators**

Meet your local CBP ACE Ambassadors from the TX Field Offices!  
They will be available to sit with all brokers and importers attending the conference to talk with you about the world of ACE

Program Manager Bernie Olivas

### **Houston & Dallas Field Office ACE Ambassadors & ACE Field Readiness Coordinators**

Supervisory Import Specialist & ACE Ambassador-Mary Pugh

Supervisory CBP Officer & ACE Ambassador-Annie Jackson

Supervisory Program Manager-Terri Padgett

Entry Branch Chief & ACE Ambassador-Jennifer Thompson-Port of Dallas

### **Laredo & Eagle Pass Field Office ACE Ambassadors**

Supervisory Entry Specialist & ACE Ambassador-Leticia Benavides

Supervisory Import Specialist & ACE Ambassador-Yadira I. Gonzalez

Supervisory CBP Officer & ACE Ambassador-Amulfo Molina-Port of Eagle Pass

### **El Paso & Port of Santa Teresa Field Office ACE Ambassadors**

Supervisory CBP Officer & ACE Ambassador-Angel Hernandez-Port of El Paso

Assistant Port Director-Jesus Chavez-Port of Santa Teresa

# TEXAS CUSTOMS BROKERS & FORWARDERS CONFERENCE AGENDA

Saturday, September 24, 2016

7:30-8:30 a.m.

**Room**

**Breakfast-Sponsored by:**

**Speaker: Carlos Rodriguez, CBP ACE Business Office, Office of International Trade**

**U.S. Customs and Border Protection**

*ACE Portal Reporting*

8:30-10:30

**Room**

***Back by popular demand!***

*Join Carlos Rodriguez, an ACE Portal expert, to learn what you should know about using your ACE Portal. Whether you are a beginner, intermediate or advanced ACE aficionado listen and learn or better yet bring your laptop and follow along on your Portal to learn how to run and schedule ACE reports, what reports you should be running and other important ACE functions you need to know!! This class fills fast, bring your coffee and grab a seat early!*

10:30-10:45

Break

10:45-11:45

**Room**

**Speaker: TBD**

***Sign up @ Registration Desk***

**Speaker: Carlos Rodriguez CBP ACE Business Office.** Running ACE Reports. Whether you are a beginner, intermediate or advanced ACE aficionado listen and learn or bring your laptop and follow along to learn about the ACE Portal and tips for running ACE Reports from the expert

12:00-1:00

***Box Lunch-Sponsored by:***

1:00

***Special Drawing-sponsored by:***

## ATTENTION CCS AND CES PARTICIPANTS

Attending the Texas Customs Brokers and Forwarders conference sessions not only provides you with the latest industry information from top experts, but as an added bonus the sessions are worth a total of 15.5 Certified Customs Specialist (CCS) points and 10 Certified Export Specialist (CES) points!

***Don't forget to provide your CCS/CES ID Number during registration or at the conference***