THE FORUM



WELCOME TO THE NCPA

Quarterly Newsletter

ne re so glad you're here!



HEY, HOW ARE YOU? BACK TO THE BASICS

Welcome to all our members, both old and new!
We miss each and every one of you and hope to
be able to meet in person again soon. In the
meantime, we're excited to bring back a
newsletter—on a smaller scale—to stay connected
and keep you informed.

Our goal is to provide this newsletter every three months, bringing you laughter, helpful tips, and important updates. Here's what you can expect:

- Engaging Articles We'll share interesting and insightful pieces we think you'll enjoy.
- Upcoming Events Stay informed about key dates and events within NCPA.
- Community Updates Important announcements and information to keep you in the loop.

We look forward to staying connected and sharing this space with you. Stay tuned for more!

President Sidebar

BEVERLY MOORE

NCPA MEMBERS,

I HOPE THIS MESSAGE FINDS YOU ALL WELL AND THRIVING IN YOUR PROFESSIONAL ENDEAVORS. AS WE STEP INTO 2025, I AM REMINDED OF THE CRUCIAL ROLE PARALEGALS PLAY IN THE LEGAL SYSTEM. YOUR DEDICATION, EXPERTISE, AND HARD WORK ARE THE BACKBONE OF THE LEGAL PROFESSION.

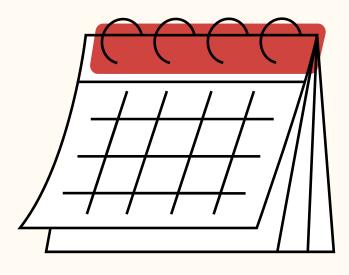
THIS YEAR, OUR ASSOCIATION REMAINS COMMITTED TO PROVIDING YOU WITH OPPORTUNITIES FOR GROWTH, NETWORKING, AND PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT. YOUR NCPA BOARD WANTS TO HAVE AN EXCITING LINEUP OF EVENTS, VIRTUAL NCPA SEMINAR AND ANNUAL MEETING, AND NETWORKING OPPORTUNITIES DESIGNED TO ENHANCE YOUR SKILLS AND EXPAND YOUR CONNECTIONS WITHIN THE LEGAL COMMUNITY. IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN HELPING, PLEASE REACH OUT.

I ENCOURAGE EACH OF YOU TO STAY ENGAGED, PARTICIPATE ACTIVELY, AND TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THE RESOURCES AVAILABLE. YOUR INVOLVEMENT STRENGTHENS OUR PROFESSION AND HELPS US ADVOCATE FOR THE CONTINUED RECOGNITION AND ADVANCEMENT OF PARALEGALS. THANK YOU FOR STAYING WITH US AND YOUR COMMITMENT TO THE PARALEGAL PROFESSION.

HOPE TO SEE YOU VIRTUALLY ON APRIL 4TH FOR OUR ANNUAL SEMINAR AND MEETING. IT MAY BE VIRTUAL, BUT WE HAVE A GREAT TIME LEARNING AND NETWORKING.







NCPA ANNUAL SEMINAR APRIL 25, 2025 (VIRTUALLY)

REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN https://ncpa.memberclicks.net/annualseminar2025

Friday (6 hours)

8:45 a.m. - 9:00 a.m. 9:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m. Welcome Remarks GENERAL SESSION

Topic: TBD (AI-Ethics)

Speaker: Nathan Kotas, Daytona State College

10:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

CONCURRENT SESSION A

Topic: 1031 Exchange Speaker: LM Title(TBD)

CONCURRENT SESSION B

Topic: Collaborative Law

Speaker: Kelley Gondring and Jess Doyle

11:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Lunch and Annual Meeting

1:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.

GENERAL SESSION

Topic: Conducting Legal Research Speaker: Martin (Marty) Ginsburg

2:10 p.m. - 3:10 p.m.

GENERAL SESSION

Topic: Speaker:

3:15 p.m. - 4:15 p.m.

CONCURRENT SESSION A

Topic: Accident Reconstruction for Legal Professionals: A

Crash Course

Speaker: Douglas Powell, Principal Biomechanist

CONCURRENT SESSION B

Topic: Speaker:

4:15 p.m. - 5:15 p.m.

GENERAL SESSION

Topic: Speaker:

5:15 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.

Closing Remarks



AOC HAS CONFIRMED THAT THERE ARE CURRENTLY SIGNIFICANT ISSUES WITH THE JUDGMENT SEARCH IN THE ECOURTS PORTAL. MANY SEARCH RESULTS ARE COMING BACK "NO SEARCH RESULTS" DESPITE THERE BEING ACTIVE FILES THAT SHOULD SHOW UP. AT THE TIME OF THIS EMAIL, THERE IS I) NO CLEAR DESIGNATION OF THE ISSUE ON THE ECOURTS SITE, AND 2) NO KNOWN RESOLUTION TIME. AS WE FIND OUT MORE INFORMATION WE WILL PROVIDE UPDATES.

FROM NANCY FERGUSON AT CHICAGO TITLE:

- I. BE SURE EVERY TIME YOU START A SEARCH IN PORTAL TO READ THE BANNERS. THEY MAY ALERT YOU TO AN ISSUE YOU NEED TO KNOW (LIKE THE BANNER LAST WEEK ABOUT JUDGMENT SEARCH). THOUGH, OF COURSE, THE BANNER MAY NOT YET HAVE BEEN POSTED OR MAY HAVE BEEN REMOVED PREMATURELY (LIKE THIS JUDGMENT SEARCH PROBLEM).
- 2. BE SURE TO DOCUMENT YOUR SEARCH & FINDINGS WHAT YOU SEARCHED AND THE RESULTS (EVEN IF, MAYBE ESPECIALLY IF, NOTHING APPEARS).
- 3. BE SURE TO <u>USE THE NCLTA AFFIDAVIT OF UNDERSTANDING AND INDEMNITY</u> AND HOLD HARMLESS AGREEMENT REGARDING COMPUTER DATA MIGRATION (VCAP TO E-COURTS ODYSSEY PORTAL)" (THE SO-CALLED "NCLTA VCAP AFFIDAVIT AND INDEMNITY") TO TRY TO ELICIT ANY MISSING ITEMS. IT MAY NOT BE ACCURATE BECAUSE YOU ARE RELYING ON THE SIGNER'S VERACITY. BUT AT LEAST IT WILL SHOW (A) YOU EXERCISED WHAT DUE DILIGENCE WAS AVAILABLE, AND (B) THAT YOU HAVE DISCLOSED THE ONGOING PROBLEM WITH AND LIMITATIONS (DEFECTS) OF PORTAL. ALSO, THE INDEMNITY PROVIDES FOR COURT COSTS AND ATTORNEYS FEES AND MIGHT EVEN PROVIDE GROUNDS FOR A DECEPTIVE TRADE PRACTICE ACTION, IF INACCURATE.

YOUR LAW PARTNERS, ASSOCIATES, MALPRACTICE CARRIERS, TITLE INSURERS, AND POSSIBLY EVEN YOUR CLIENTS WILL APPRECIATE YOUR ABILITY TO DOCUMENT THE ABOVE IF SOME ADVERSE LAWSUIT, JUDGMENT, CLAIM OF LIEN, OR LIS PENDENS LATER APPEARS. THE ABOVE DOCUMENTATION MAY PROVIDE A DEFENSE AND EVEN COUNTERCLAIM THAT THERE WAS INSUFFICIENT CONSTRUCTIVE NOTICE (#2) AND ALSO RECOUPMENT OF COSTS, ATTORNEYS, FEES, LOSSES OR EVEN TREBLE DAMAGES UNDER (3#).

THIS TROUBLESOME SITUATION IS OBVIOUSLY NOT GOING AWAY ANY TIME SOON.

SO, PLEASE PROTECT YOURSELF AND YOUR CLIENTS WITH THE TOOLS AT HAND AS BEST YOU CAN!

GOOD LUCK OUT THERE AS THIS SITUATION CONTINUES TO DEVELOP.



*RELIABILITY OF ALGORITHMIC EVIDENCE IN COURTS TODAY (01/2025)

HTTPS://SCHOLARSHIP.LAW.DUKE.EDU/CGI/VIEWCONTENT
.CGI?ARTICLE=III9&CONTEXT=DLJ ONLINE

*UNC LAW SCHOOL ARTICLE ON CRYPTO (11/2024)

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*NC STATE BAR JOURNAL
SPRING 2025
HTTPS://WWW.NCBAR.GOV/MEDIA/730822/JOURNAL-301.PDF

*ESSENTIAL RESUME WRITING AND INTERVIEWING TIPS
FOR NEW PARALEGALS

HTTPS://NALA.ORG/ESSENTIAL-RESUME-WRITINGAND-INTERVIEWING-TIPS-FOR-NEW-PARALEGALS/

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