## NORTH CAROLINA PARALEGAL ASSOCIATION, INC.

# 31<sup>ST</sup> ANNUAL MEETING & SEMINAR MARCH 24, 2011 - MARCH 26, 2011





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201 Harrison Oaks Blvd.
Cary, North Carolina
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## SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

6:00 - 8:00 p.m. Early Registration & Exhibitor Exposition

Join us in welcoming our Exhibitors with light hors d'oeuvres and a cash

bar.

Friday, March 25, 2011

7:30 - 8:15 a.m. **Registration & Continental Breakfast** 

8:15 - 8:30 a.m. Welcome Remarks - President, Patti F. Clapper, CLA, NCCP

8:30 - 9:30 a.m. **CONCURRENT SESSION A** 

David K. Davis, Esq. United States District Court- WDNC

Survivor: Federal Court

CONCURRENT SESSION B

Cheri Myers, NC Secretary Of State

Navigating the NC Secretary of State's Office

9:30 - 9:45 a.m. **Break - Visit with Exhibitors** 

9:45 - 10: 45 a.m. **GENERAL SESSION (ETHICS SESSION)** 

Alice Mine, North Carolina State Bar What NOT to Do as a Paralegal

10:45 - 11:00 a.m. **Break – Visit with Exhibitors** 

11:00 - 12:00 p.m **CONCURRENT SESSION A** 

Melissa Averette, Esq., Chapel Hill

Representing the Domestic Violence Victim

CONCURRENT SESSION B

The ABCs of Community Association Law

Tina Frazier Pace, Esq. Hatch, Little & Bunn, LLP

12:00 - 1:30 p.m. **LUNCH** 

1:30 - 2:30 p.m. **GENERAL SESSION** 

Nancy Foltz, Esq., Arthurs & Foltz, Gastonia

Professionalism in Practice

2:30 - 3:00 p.m. **Break/Set Up for Annual Meeting** 

3:00 - 3:15 p.m. **Registration for Annual Meeting** 

3:15 - 5:15 p.m. **Annual Meeting – Election of Officers** 

Both members and non-members are encouraged to attend.

6:30 - 7:15 p.m. **Dinner** (*Dress is business casual*)

7:15-7:30 p. m. **Introduction of Officers for 2011-2012** 

7:30-8:00 p.m. **Guest Speaker** 

Jeannie Sapp Johnston, Founder and CEO of Paralegal Gateway, Inc.

"I Am Paralegal"

Saturday, March 26, 2011

8:30 - 9:30 a.m. CLA/CP Breakfast (NALA Certified CLAs and CPs ONLY)

Karen Greer McGee, ACP, NALA President

<u>OR</u>

Light Continental Breakfast (provided)

9:30 - 10:30 a.m. **GENERAL SESSION** 

District and Superior Court Judges of North Carolina Panel

"A View from the Bench"

Hon. Jesse B. Caldwell, III (Gaston County Senior Resident Judge, Superior Court)

Hon. Ola M. Lewis (Brunswick County Senior Resident Judge Superior Court)

Hon. Richard B. Abernethy (Gaston County District Court Judge)

Hon. Thomas Taylor (Gaston County District Court Judge)

10:30am - 11:00 a.m. **Break (Hotel Checkout is at 11AM)** 

11:00 - 12:00 p.m. **GENERAL SESSION CONTINUED** 

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"A View from the Bench"

12:00 p.m. Closing Remarks and Door Prizes

(must be present to win)

### CONTINUING LEGAL ASSISTANT EDUCATION CREDIT:

- This seminar meets the requirements of the Certifying Board of the National Association of Legal Assistants, Inc. for 6.0 hours of Continuing Legal Education (3.0 substantive, 2.0 non-substantive and 1.0 hours for ethics) units toward maintenance of the Certified Legal Assistant credential.
- This seminar has also been approved by the North Carolina State Bar Board of Paralegal Certification for Continuing Paralegal Education in the amount of 5.0 hours of general CPE credits and 1.0 hour professional responsibility CPE credits. Any NC certification questions should be directed to the North Carolina State Bar's Paralegal Certification Board.

### **REFUNDS:**

NCPA must commit to fill a specific number of hotel rooms, purchase a specific amount of food, and print seminar materials based upon the number of seminar registrants in mid-March. Due to the fact that we are obligated to pay for these items regardless of whether seminar attendees cancel, we have instituted a Refund Policy. Refunds will be issued under the following conditions:

For refund requests received before March 10, 2011, we will issue a full refund minus a \$10.00 cancellation fee. If we receive your request between March 10 and March 16, we will issue a 50% refund. No refunds will be issued for refund requests received after March 16, 2011.

MANUSCRIPTS: NCPA will provide each attendee with a written manuscript upon check in at registration. If you are not able to attend and would like to purchase the manuscript, you may purchase one from our website after the seminar is concluded.

**DISCOUNTS:** Law offices or corporations with three (3) or more paralegals attending the seminar, or three (3) or more paralegal students registering simultaneously, will be entitled to receive a 10% discount **on the registration fee only**. Discount does not apply to additional lunch or dinner tickets or manuscript purchase. **Registration forms and fees must be received simultaneously to ensure proper credit for discount**. Online registration is **not** eligible for the discount – you must submit paper registration forms.

### **HOTEL INFORMATION:**

**Room Rates:** Rooms rates are \$115.00 (for a standard room) plus tax; deadline for hotel reservations is **March 5, 2011**. When calling to make a reservation, please be sure to designate that you are attending the NCPA Seminar to receive the discounted rate. After the deadline, you are not guaranteed this rate.

**Please make your own hotel reservations:** Call (1-919-677-1840) and ask for the NCPA room rate, or you can make them online at: <a href="http://embassysuites.hilton.com/en/es/groups/personalized/R/RDUAPES-PAA-20110324/index.jhtml?WT.mc\_id=POG">http://embassysuites.hilton.com/en/es/groups/personalized/R/RDUAPES-PAA-20110324/index.jhtml?WT.mc\_id=POG</a>. The Group Name is: NC Paralegals Association and the Group Code is: PAA

### **Directions:**

FROM RDU INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT: TAKE 40 EAST TO EXIT 287 (CARY/HARRISON AVE.) AT THE TOP OF THE EXIT RAMP, TAKE A RIGHT AND GO THROUGH THE TRAFFIC LIGHT AND TAKE YOUR FIRST RIGHT AFTER THE LIGHT, YOU ARE NOW ON HARRISON OAKS BLVD. WE ARE .02 MILES DOWN ON THE RIGHT.

FROM 1-40 EAST: (CHARLOTTE, ATLANTA, ASHEVILLE) FOLLOW I-85 NORTH (IF COMING FROM SOUTH, OTHERWISE JUST FOLLOW I-40 EAST) AND PASS THROUGH GREENSBORO WHERE I-85 AND I-40 MERGE. FOLLOW I-40/85 UNTIL THE TWO SPLIT AND CONTINUE FOLLOWING I-40 EAST TO EXIT 287 (CARY, HARRISON AVE.). AT THE TOP OF THE EXIT RAMP, TAKE A RIGHT AND GO THROUGH THE TRAFFIC LIGHT AND TAKE YOUR FIRST RIGHT AFTER THE LIGHT. YOU ARE NOW ON HARRISON OAKS BLVD. WE ARE .02 MILES DOWN ON THE RIGHT.

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Join us in celebrating the North Carolina Paralegal Association, Inc.'s 31<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting & Seminar at the beautiful Embassy Suites, Cary, North Carolina. Mail your registration form today!

### FOR MORE INFORMATION, CONTACT

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**REGISTRATION FORM**NCPA's 31<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting and Seminar March 24, 2011 – March 26, 2011 Embassy Suites, Cary

Registration deadline is March 9, 2011. Please add the late fee if your registration is postmarked after this date. Walk-ins are welcome the day of the seminar. Checks should be made payable to NCPA for the total amount of all applicable fees. Your check or credit card statement is your receipt. We do not send confirmations. This registration form must be completed and accompany your payment.

Return this form and your payment to:	NCPA Registration PO Box 36264		
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\$ 160.00 NCPA or NALA Membe	er* (or Affiliate Member Dele	gate)	
\$ 245.00 Non-Member		,	
\$ 65.00 NCPA or NALA Student	Member*		
\$ 90.00 Student Non-Member (plea	ase include proof of enrollment at a	paralegal school)	)
\$ 125.00 Paralegal Educator			
\$ 20.00 Additional Friday Lunch	Γicket (purchase add'l ticket for	family membe	ers/guests)
\$ 25.00 Additional Friday Dinner	Ticket (purchase add'l ticket for	r family membe	ers/guests)
\$ 20.00 CLA/CP Breakfast (NALA)			
\$ 20.00 Late Fee (must be included i			
\$50.00 Manuscript Only (will be ma	iled after seminar date)		

<sup>\*</sup>If you are not an NCPA member but are a NALA member, please include a copy of your NALA membership card showing your status as an "individual member". Contributions or gifts to the North Carolina Paralegal Association, Inc. are not deductible contributions for federal income tax purposes; however, payments may qualify as ordinary and necessary business expenses.