CONCURRENT SESSION

SERVICE OF PROCESS & HUMAN TRAFFICKING

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Kimberly Hamilton, a former deputy in Alamance county, is a Private Investigator in NC and owns Female Agents, Inc. She was a founding member of NCAPPS (North Carolina Association of Professional Process Servers) and currently is President of the association. She has previously served on the board for NCAPI and has been very active in both the private investigative and service of process professions since 2000. She speaks on the topics of Process Serving, Human Trafficking and Professional Ethics in the Workplace.

Process Serving and Human Trafficking

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A brief discussion will be held on the topic of service of process. Whether you routinely have documents to serve with your cases or on a very rare occasion, the knowledge of some basic information can make a huge difference with the outcome. Three points will be discussed: when to use a professional process server; how to contact a server in the desired area; and ways to prepare beforehand to increase the chances of getting the documents served.

Human trafficking will be the second and main topic discussed. Human trafficking, although it is a crime that has been around for hundreds of years, is becoming more widespread and recognized in North Carolina. Many crimes such as prostitution, drugs, illegal guns, and illegal immigration are commonly linked to human trafficking. The different types of "modern day slavery" will be discussed as well as who are the victims and their traffickers. Education and awareness on these crimes are key factors in the detection, prosecution and prevention of human trafficking. Other areas covered will include definitions, where human trafficking takes place, why it is a growing concern in NC, how human trafficking affects the community, how to report suspicious situations, and ways to help and reach out to victims.