# NORTH CAROLINA PARALEGAL ASSOCIATION, INC.'S

27<sup>th</sup> Annual Mid-Year Seminar September 17, 2011 and 4<sup>th</sup> Annual CLA/NCCP Review Course September 16 & 17, 2011





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## North Carolina Paralegal Association, Inc. Mid-Year Seminar Schedule

#### Friday, September 16, 2011

7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. Early Registration/Welcome Reception/Exhibitor Exposition

#### Saturday, September 17, 2011

7:30 a.m 8:30 a.m.	Registration & Continental Breakfast				
8:30 a.m 8:45 a.m.	Welcome Remarks, President, Stephanie Elliott, NCCP				
8:45 a.m 10:00 a.m.	GENERAL SESSON "What is Your Brand? How to Define Yourself Before Someone Else Does" (Professionalism Tips) Bruce Robinson, Raleigh, NC				
10:00 a.m10:30 a.m.	Break - Visit wi	th Exhibitors (Hotel Checkout)			
10:30 a.m11:45 a.m.	<b><u>CONCURRENT SESSIONS</u></b> (Choose one)				
	SESSION A:	<b>"Recent Updates in Workers Compensation Law"</b> Brad Collins, The Roberts Law Firm, Gastonia, NC			
	SESSION B:	<b>"Obtaining Court Approval of Minor Settlements"</b> Amy Oleksa, Cranfill, Sumner & Hartzog, Charlotte, NC			
11:45 a.m1:00 p.m.	<u>LUNCH</u>				
1:00 p.m 2:15 p.m.	<b><u>CONCURRENT SESSIONS</u></b> (Choose one)				
	SESSION A:	<b>"Intellectual Property- A Practical Overview"</b> W. Thad Adams, Adams Intellectual Property Law, Charlotte, NC			
	SESSION B:	<b>"ABCs of Criminal Law for the Paralegal"</b> Ed Bogle, Bogle, Anthony & Leach, Gastonia, NC			
	SESSION C:	<b>"Hot Topics in Family Law for the Paralegal"</b> Wade Carpenter, Carpenter & Carpenter, Gastonia, NC			
2:15 p.m 3:30 p.m.	<b><u>CONCURRENT SESSIONS</u></b> (Choose one)				
	SESSION A:	"How to Navigate a Closing Without Running Aground" Judge Thomas Taylor, Gastonia, NC			
	SESSION B:	<b>"Immigration Court Fundamentals"</b> Jordan Forsythe, Forsythe Immigration Law Firm, Charlotte, NC			
3:30 p.m 3:45 p.m.	Break				
3:45 p.m 4:45 p.m.	<u>GENERAL SES</u> "Ethics"	<u>SSON</u>			

- Judge Richard Abernethy, Gastonia, NC
- 4:45 p.m. Closing Remarks & Door Prizes

# North Carolina Paralegal Association, Inc. CLA and NCCP Review Course

#### Friday, September 16, 2011 - CLA/NCCP REVIEW COURSE

7:30 a.m 8:00 a.m.	Registration
8:00 a.m 8:15 a.m.	Opening Remarks
8:15 a.m 9:15 a.m.	Real Estate
9:15 a.m 10:15 a.m.	Family Law
<mark>10:15</mark> a.m <mark>10:30 a.m.</mark>	Break
10:30 a.m 11:45 a.m.	Business Law / Business Organizations / Contracts
<mark>11:45</mark> a.m <mark>1:00 p.m.</mark>	LUNCH (on your own)
1:00 p.m 2:00 p.m.	Criminal Law
2:00 p.m 3:00 p.m.	American Legal System
3:00 p.m 4:00 p.m.	Legal Research
7:00 p.m 9:00 p.m. Saturday, September 17, 201	Early Registration / Welcome Reception / Exhibitor Exposition
7:30 a.m 8:00 a.m.	Registration & Continental Breakfast
8:00 a.m 9:00 a.m.	Judgment and Analytics
9:00 a.m 10:00 a.m.	Rules of Civil Procedure
<mark>10:00</mark> a.m <mark>10:30 a.m.</mark>	Break - Visit with Exhibitors (Hotel Checkout)
10:30 a.m 11:45 a.m.	Communications / Human Relations / Interviewing Techniques
<mark>11:45</mark> a.m <mark>1:00 p.m.</mark>	LUNCH (provided)
1:00 p.m 2:00 p.m.	
1.00 p.m. 2.00 p.m.	Probate and Estates
2:00 p.m 3:00 p.m.	Probate and Estates Ethics
2:00 p.m 3:00 p.m.	Ethics

**Please Note:** These sessions are review courses and not comprehensive instruction courses on the subjects taught. CLA/CP Review Course participants may want to purchase the *CLA Review Manual* published by West Publishing as this manual will be used during the CLA session. The manual may be ordered from NALA at (918) 587-6828 or <u>www.nala.org</u>.

#### CONTINUING LEGAL ASSISTANT EDUCATION CREDIT:

- The Mid-Year Seminar has been approved by the Certifying Board of the National Association of Legal Assistants, Inc. for <u>6.25</u> hours of CLE credit toward maintenance of the CLA/CP credential.
- The Review Course has been approved by the Certifying Board of the National Association of Legal Assistants, Inc. for <u>13.0</u> hours of CLE credit including <u>2.0</u> hours of ethics CPE credit toward maintenance of the CLA/CP credential.
- The Mid-Year Seminar has been approved by the NC State Bar Board of Paralegal Certification for <u>6</u> hours of CPE credits including <u>1</u> hour of ethics CPE credit towards the NCCP credential.
- The Review Course has been approved by the NC State Bar Board of Paralegal Certification for <u>6</u> hours of CPE credit including <u>1</u> hour of ethics CPE credit towards the NCCP credential.

#### **REFUNDS:**

- If we receive your request by September 2, 2011, we will issue you a full refund, less a \$10.00 cancellation fee.
- If we receive your request between September 3, 2011 and September 9, 2011, we will issue a 50% refund.
- If we receive your request after September 9, 2011, no refund will be issued.
- You must notify the Registration Chair, Chreatha A. Alston, NCCP at (919) 807-7225.
- Refunds are not issued until after the seminar is completed.

**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 <u>on the registration</u> <u>fee only</u>. Discount does not apply to additional lunch or dinner tickets or manuscript purchase. <u>Registration</u> <u>forms and fees must be received simultaneously to ensure proper credit for discount</u>. <u>Online</u> <u>registration is **not** eligible for the discount – you must submit paper registration forms</u>.

#### HOTEL INFORMATION:

**Room Rates:** Standard Rooms are \$109.00, plus tax; the hotel is holding a block of rooms for NCPA until <u>September 2, 2011</u>. After this date, room availability and price are not guaranteed. Please be sure to designate that you are attending the North Carolina Paralegal Association Seminar, by giving the group code "NCP", to receive this discounted rate.

#### Please make your own hotel reservations:

**Via telephone:** Please call 704-527-8400 or 1-800-EMBASSY (800-362-2779) and ask for the reservations department. Please provide the reservation agent with the special three letter code **NCP**. This will ensure you receive the discounted room rate. After **September 2<sup>nd</sup>**, we cannot guarantee you a room or the discounted rate.

**On Line:** Go to <u>www.charlotte.embassysuites.com</u>. Enter in both check in and check-out dates. Select Go. Scroll down to find Group/Convention code and enter **NCP**. Select suite type and proceed to confirm reservation.

#### **Directions:**

**From the Greensboro Area:** US-220 South / Freeman Mill Rd / Governor John Motley Morehead Hwy. At exit 79, take ramp right for I-85 South / US-29 South / US-70 West toward Charlotte / High Point. At exit 38, take ramp right for I-77 South / US-21 South toward Columbia. At exit 6B, take ramp right for S Tryon St South / NC-49 South toward Airport. Turn right onto NC-49 / S Tryon St.

**From the Raleigh/Durham/Eastern NC Areas:** I-40 West. Bear right onto I-40 West / I-85 South / NC-86 North. Take ramp left for I-85 South / US-29 South / US-70 West. At exit 38, take ramp right for I-77 South / US-21 South toward Columbia. At exit 6B, take ramp right for S Tryon St South / NC-49 South toward Airport. Turn right onto NC-49 / S Tryon St.

**From the Asheville/Western NC Areas:** I-40 East toward Statesville. At exit 123A-B, take ramp right for US-321 South toward Lincolnton/Gastonia. Take ramp right for I-85 North/Senator Marshall Arthur Rauch Hwy. At exit 33, take ramp right for Billy Graham Pkwy toward Charlotte/Douglas Intl Airport. Turn right onto US-521/Billy Graham Pkwy. Turn right onto NC-49/S Tryon Street.

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### **REGISTRATION FORM**

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Registration deadline is <u>September 2, 2011</u>. Please add the late fee if your registration is postmarked on or 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. <u>Your check or credit card statement is your receipt.</u> We do not send confirmations.

Return this form and your payment to:		Chreatha A. Alston, NCCP NCPA, Registration Chair PO Box 36264 Charlotte, NC 28236-6264		
NAME:				
(This is how your name v	will appear on your nan	netag - please be sure to include any cre	edentials such as	CLA or NCCP.)
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CHECK THE CONCUR Saturday, 10:30 a.m. Saturday, 1:00 p.m. Saturday, 2:15 p.m.	Session AS	Session B Session B Session C	(you can only attend ONE) _ (you can only attend ONE) (you can only attend ONE)	
I am attending the <b>CLA</b> a \$175.00 \$250.00 \$90.00 \$115.00 \$125.00 \$20.00 \$50.00	NCPA/NALA Men Non-Member NCPA/NALA Stud Student Non-Memł Paralegal Educator Late Registration Fo	lent Member	011)	

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