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Western Dakota Association of Legal Assistants

SPRING SEMINAR

Thursday, May 1, 2025



Sleep Inn & Suites
Conference Center and Water Park
2400 10th Street SW
Minot, ND 58701

SEMINAR SCHEDULE

REGISTRATION

8:00 a.m. - 8:30 a.m.

*Hotel Lobby outside the Theater Room
Sleep Inn & Suites, Minot, ND*

8:30 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.

Bankruptcy Basics

Presented by: Chad Anderson, Attorney
Chad Anderson Law Firm

Chad Anderson is a native of Bismarck, ND. He attended the University of Mary where he earned his Bachelor of Business Administration degree in the spring of 2005. In the winter of 2013, Chad graduated from University of North Dakota, School of Law, earning his J.D. Since graduating law school, Chad has helped clients in the areas of estate planning, probate, and consumer bankruptcy. Chad serves on the Local Rules Committee for United States Bankruptcy Court for the District of North Dakota. He also serves on various nonprofit and charitable foundations. Chad currently resides in Bismarck with his wife Kelsey and their two kids, Everett and Oliver. In his free time, Chad enjoys spending time with his family, playing rec league hockey and golfing.

10:00 a.m. - 10:15 a.m.

Break

10:15 a.m. - 11:45 a.m.

Bridging the Legal Workforce Gap In North Dakota" Virtual Assistance

Presented by: Jen Lee, Attorney
Legal Services of North Dakota

Jen Lee is the Executive Director at Legal Services of North Dakota (LSND). Prior to joining LSND at the end of 2022, Jen was in private practice as a bankruptcy attorney, or as she likes to call it: a debt and credit strategy attorney. She opened her own law firm straight out of law school and realized that her undergraduate degree in business and an MBA made a huge difference in running a law firm as a business. She often speaks at conferences, bar associations, professional groups, and other trade associations on substantive issues for bankruptcy and debt, as well as on law practice marketing, technology, and management. Jen enjoys doing things that others say can't be done and coming up with innovative ways to move the practice of law forward.

12:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Board Meeting (Lunch Provided)

1:15 p.m. - 2:45 p.m.

Three Affiliated Tribes Criminal Matters

Presented by: Sheldon Standish, Legal Advocate *Fort Berthold District Court*

Sheldon Standish is an Enrolled Member of the Three Affiliated Tribes. ("Tribe") Sheldon graduated from the University of North Dakota School of Law in May of 2022. Sheldon is currently the lead criminal prosecutor for the Tribe. He has been practicing for the Tribe since September of 2022. Sheldon's client is the Tribe. He is passionate about helping the Tribe navigate the complex legal issues in Indian Country. Sheldon is dedicated to achieving the best possible outcome for the Tribe. He believes it is not always about incarcerating individuals, but rather helping them get into treatment if there are alcohol or drug issues in their lives. By helping the individuals, it helps the Tribe have a more sober community.

2:45 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Break

3:00 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.

The Nose Knows: The Scent of Law and Order

Presented by: Trooper Steven Clark & Lorace the bloodhound

North Dakota Highway Patrol

Trooper Steven Clark is a 13 year State Trooper with the North Dakota Highway Patrol. Trooper Clark currently serves as a patrol trooper out of the southwest region and is stationed in New Salem, North Dakota. Along with being a patrol trooper, Trooper Clark is a canine handler, emergency response team (ERT) member, and firearms instructor. Trooper Clark was a narcotics detection canine handler for 10 years from 2014 to 2024 before switching to being a man trailing canine handler. His current canine partner is Lorace, a two year old bloodhound. Trooper Clark graduated from the North Dakota Peace Officer Academy and North Dakota Highway Patrol in 2011 and was originally stationed in Dickinson North Dakota. Prior to the Highway Patrol, he worked for the Department of Corrections at the James River Correction Center (JRCC) in Jamestown North Dakota. Trooper Clark is an Army veteran, having served 11 years in the North Dakota National Guard and deployed to Iraq as a combat engineer in 2005-2006 to support Operation Iraqi Freedom.

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Spring Seminar Registration

Please complete and return via email to
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Attending: In Person _____ or Virtual _____
_____ WDALA/RRVPA Members \$65
_____ NALA Members/NALA Affiliate \$70
_____ Non-Member/Attorney \$95
_____ Attorney + 1 support staff \$100
_____ Student \$35

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Please register for the seminar as soon as possible to ensure availability of course materials. Cancellations must be made before April 24, 2025 to receive a full refund of the registration fee.

This seminar meets the requirements of the NALA Certifying Board for Paralegals for continuing legal education credit required to maintain the CP credential. The seminar has been approved for 6.0 hours (4.5 Substantive and 1.5 Ethics).

SBAND has approved 4.5 ND CLE credits plus 1.5 ND Ethics credit for 6.0 ND CLE Event #20250501WDALA.