



HOUSTON PARALEGAL ASSOCIATION INVITES YOU TO ATTEND

THE SEVENTH ANNUAL SPRING CLE SEMINAR



Friday, May 7, 2010

SPRING 2010 CONTINUING LEGAL EDUCATION SERIES

6 CLE HOURS* (1 HOUR OF ETHICS)

* TBSL, NALA and NFPA approval pending.

Registration Questions Contact:

Linda Davidson at treasurer@hpatx.org

Online Registration: www.HPATX.org

Hotel Galvez, Galveston, Texas*

*Discounted hotel room rates (see page 3 for details)



HIGHLIGHTS

Thursday, May 6th:

“New Horizons”
Welcome Social

Friday, May 7th:

Full Day of Legal
Education, and Networking
“Sunset Social”



HPA 2010 SPRING CLE SERIES

HOTEL GALVEZ, GALVESTON, TEXAS

SEMINAR AGENDA

- 7:45 – 8:30** Registration (First Floor – West Promenade)
- 8:00 – 8:30** Continental Breakfast (First Floor – West Parlor)
- 8:00 – 4:00** Exhibitors Hall Open (Music Hall Ballroom, West Promenade and West Parlor)
- 8:30 – 9:30** **The Future is Today: Technological Innovations at the Harris County District Clerk's Office**
Loren D. Jackson, JD; District Clerk of Harris County
- 9:30 – 10:30**
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| <p>Putting New Federal Rules Into Your Practice
<i>Michael M. Essmyer, JD</i>
<i>Essmyer, Tritico & Rainey, L.L.P.</i>
<i>Houston, Texas</i></p> | <p>Specialties Track (<i>East Parlor</i>)</p> <p>Veterans Benefits: Great Benefits You Probably Do Not Know About
<i>Christina D. Leshner, JD</i>
<i>Law Office of Christina Leshner, PC</i>
<i>Houston, Texas</i></p> |
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- 10:30 – 10:45** Mid-Morning Break (*exhibitor tables open*)
- 10:45 – 11:45**
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| <p>Prepared for Appeal? Anticipate and Prepare During and After Trial.
<i>Katharine D. David, JD</i>
<i>Haynes & Boone LLP</i>
<i>Houston, Texas</i></p> | <p>Title Commitment Law—Changes Affecting Exceptions and Insurability
<i>James L. Gosdin, JD</i>
<i>Stewart Title Guaranty Company</i>
<i>Houston, Texas</i></p> |
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- 12:00 – 1:15** Luncheon (First Floor—Veranda Room)
- 1:15 – 2:15**
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| <p>Hurricane Ike - Issues in Litigation
<i>Philip N. Sanov, JD</i>
<i>The Lanier Law Firm, PC</i>
<i>Houston, Texas</i></p> | <p>Specialties Track (<i>East Parlor</i>)</p> <p>Are There Any Enforceable Grandparent's Rights in Texas?
<i>Imogen S. Papadopoulos, JD</i>
<i>Houston, Texas</i></p> |
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- 2:15 – 3:15**
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| <p>Medicare and New Reporting Rules
<i>Amy Blumrosen, JD</i>
<i>Chevron Corporation</i>
<i>Houston, Texas</i></p> | <p>Anatomy of a Real Estate Title
<i>John R. Banks, Jr., JD</i>
<i>Mason, Coplen & Banks, P.C.</i>
<i>Houston, Texas</i></p> |
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- 3:15 – 3:30** Mid-Afternoon Break (*exhibitor tables open and refreshments*)
- 3:30 – 4:30** **Ethics in the Courtroom**
The Honorable Ken Wise, JD
Fridge, Resendez & Wise LLC
Houston, Texas
- 4:35** Grand Prize Presentation. Must be present to win.
- 4:45 – 6:30** Sunset Social (cash bar and complimentary appetizers on the **First Floor - West Parlor**)

This advanced, full-day seminar is presented by local attorneys and designed for paralegals and legal professionals. Registration fees include a continental breakfast, lunch, afternoon snack, course materials and complementary socials on Thursday and Friday.

Full day attendance required for 6.0 hours CLE credit, including 1.0 hour of ethics.

Registration Fees: HPA members: \$90. Non-members: \$115.

Mail Registration Deadline: April 7, 2010.

All registration forms post-dated after April 7, 2010, will incur a \$10 late registration fee.

(Approval pending by TBLS, NALA and NFPA).

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HOTEL GALVEZ, GALVESTON, TEXAS

HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS, PARKING AND DIRECTIONS

The seminar will be held at Hotel Galvez, a Wyndham Historic Hotel in Galveston, Texas. A limited number of hotel rooms are available at a CLE special group rate of \$119 per night for Thursday and Friday nights and must be reserved no later than April 7, 2010. Some upgrades to a Gulf view are available for an additional \$30. **To obtain the discount, please contact the hotel directly at 409-765-7721.** Parking Thursday night: complimentary parking available behind the hotel and will require a code. Parking Friday: complimentary parking available in the garage beside the hotel and a gate code is not required. Valet parking is available for day functions at \$5, Monday thru Friday.

For directions and additional hotel and spa information, please visit www.hotelgalvez.com.

HPA EXHIBITORS AND SPONSORS

Houston Paralegal Association sincerely thanks the outstanding legal support companies sponsoring this seminar. We are grateful for their many contributions to the continued success of this seminar. Please visit with all our sponsors at their exhibit tables to extend your thanks in helping to make continuing legal education affordable for all. There is a benefit to you for seeing each one – details at the Registration Table. **JOIN US for Good Times on Thursday, May 6th from 6 pm to 8 pm for the *New Horizons Welcome Social*, and after the Seminar on Friday, May 7th for the *Sunset Social* in the First Floor - West Parlor.** Complimentary Appetizers and Cash Bar, generously supported by exhibitors and sponsors.

HPA MEMBERSHIP

If you have not already a member and would enjoy the benefits of networking, employment job bank, qualify for member discounts on continuing education, our Membership Application is attached. To become an Active Member, attorney signature is required for authentication. Membership Fees: Active membership: \$25 Associate Membership: \$20. To join, please mail your completed application and fee payment to the address below along with your registration form for HPA's Paralegal Getaway 2010.

HOUSTON PARALEGAL
ASSOCIATION
P.O. BOX 2466
HOUSTON, TEXAS 77252



**SEE YOU AT THE HISTORIC
HOTEL GALVEZ
IN GALVESTON, TEXAS
ON FRIDAY, MAY 7, 2010!!**

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REGISTRATION FORM

REGISTRATION DEADLINE IS Friday, May 7, 2010

REGISTRATION FEES:

\$90 for HPA members

\$115 for non-members

Complementary Socials on Thursday and Friday

EARLY BIRD REGISTRATION:

\$80 for HPA member -

\$100 for non-member,

if received by March 15, 2010.

A late fee of \$10 will be assessed on all forms post-dated after April 7, 2010

Walk-ins the morning of the Seminar accepted upon payment of
Late Fees providing space and materials are available.

Name _____

Firm _____

Address _____

City, State, Zip _____

Phone _____ Fax _____

Email _____ HPA Member: Yes No

I plan to attend Litigation Track Thursday — “New Horizons” Welcome Social

(Please indicate) Specialties Track Friday — Sunset Social (no charge to attend both socials)

Applicant Signature _____ Date _____

Registration fee includes six (6) hours of CLE*, a continental breakfast, lunch, afternoon snack and course materials.

*(Approval pending by TBLS, NALA and NFPA)

TO REGISTER: Mail your completed Registration Form and check payable to Houston Paralegal

Association to: Linda E. Davidson, CLA

Squire, Sanders & Dempsey, L.L.P.

6200 Chase Tower, 600 Travis Street

Houston, Texas 77002

For questions contact Linda at Treasurer@HPATX.org or visit us online at www.HPATX.org

COURSE INFORMATION: Course materials, compiled in notebook format including Speaker resumes and papers, are included in tuition fees and are handed out only at the seminar. We suggest bringing a sweater or jacket, as room temperatures are often difficult to regulate. See Hotel Accommodation, Parking and Directions on the previous page.

CANCELLATION AND REFUND POLICY: Registrants who find that they cannot attend the Seminar may receive a refund of Tuition Fees paid, less the \$30 pre-paid luncheon fee, if their request is received in writing before Friday, April 23, 2010. Please email your request to Linda E. Davidson at Treasurer@HPATX.com.



HOUSTON PARALEGAL ASSOCIATION

An Affiliate of the National Association of Legal Assistants, Inc.

Application for Membership

[Membership term is September 1 through August 31]

_____ **New**

_____ **Renewal**

Membership Categories

_____ (\$25) **Active Members**, as defined by HPA bylaws, are persons who are qualified by education, training or work experience who are employed or retained by a lawyer, law office, corporation, governmental agency or other entity and who perform specifically-delegated, substantive legal work for which a lawyer is responsible.

_____ (\$20) **Associate Members**, as defined by HPA bylaws, are persons who are employed as paralegal trainees and/or students enrolled in a paralegal program, and paralegals meeting criteria for Active Members but who are not currently employed under the direct supervision of an attorney.

INSTRUCTIONS:

1. Complete, sign and date application. Attach additional pages if necessary to complete answers.
2. Confirm that Attorney Acknowledgement of Applicant is completed, signed and dated.
3. Please send completed application and check made payable to Houston Paralegal Association to: Houston Paralegal Association, Attn: Membership Committee, P.O. Box 2466, Houston, Texas 77252. If you have any questions, please contact HPA Membership Chair Linda Carrette, MBA, TBLS, CP at lcarrrette@mac.com. For additional information, please visit our website at www.hpatx.org

Name _____

Home address _____
(must be provided)

City, State, Zip Code _____

Telephone _____ Home e-mail _____

Employer _____

Wk Address _____
(include city, state and zip code) (must be provided)

Position/Title _____

Yrs Employed as Paralegal _____ Work E-mail _____

Wk Phone _____ Fax No. _____

Preferred mailing address: Work Home _____ Date of birth (month/day) _____

May we share your e-mail address with other professional organizations? _____ Yes _____ No

If you are certified, please state your certification (i.e., CLA, TBLS, etc.) _____

Active Members must have their supervising attorney co-sign this application

Attorney Name [Printed] _____ Bar No. _____

Attorney Signature _____ Date _____

For Associate Membership only
[must be completed for approval]

If qualifying as a Student, please provide the name & address of Paralegal School/Program for verification (provide complete address)

_____ Graduation Year _____

If qualifying with previous paralegal experience, provide name of employer, supervising attorney, address and telephone number for verification

Please circle a Committee that you would like to serve on:

CLE Membership Public Relations Social Website Newsletter

Member who referred you? (optional) _____

Applicant Signature _____ Date _____

All renewal applications received after August 31 will incur a late fee of \$15.

Please send completed application and check made payable to Houston Paralegal Association to: Houston Paralegal Association, Attn: Membership Committee, P.O. Box 2466, Houston, Texas 77252. If you have any questions, please contact Linda Carrette, MBA, TBLS, CP at lcarrette@mac.com. For additional information, please visit our website at www.hpatx.org