



PERSPECTIVE

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

By: JoAnne Haffeman

My fellow members – As per the Bylaws of the Paralegal Association of New Jersey, the Executive Board accepted with regrets the resignation of Jennifer D. Morin Smith, ACP, as President in October 2016. As per the operation of the Bylaws, Vice President JoAnne Haffeman assumed the office and duties of President. A copy of the corporate resolution memorializing this change is provided in this newsletter. As it was Jennifer's desire to remain involved in the Association, she was appointed to the Board as a Trustee-At-Large. We would like to thank Jennifer for her service as President and express our appreciation for her continued service on the Board.

The governor of the state typically proclaims Paralegal Day in October when the New Jersey Paralegal Convention is held. This year the Proclamation for Paralegal Day was issued for October 21, 2016. A copy of the Proclamation is also provided in this newsletter. A report on this year's convention will be provided in the next issue of *Perspective*.

The Executive Board has worked hard this term to sponsor dinner meetings programs that are informative and helpful in your daily practice. We have a number of interesting and informative dinner meetings planned for the winter and spring. Please be on the lookout for your dinner meeting notices.

A few years back I wrote about how either a friend or colleague is overwhelmed, overworked and overstressed, or they are looking for a job, which of course is a whole different type of stress. There doesn't seem to be a happy median. I don't know if this is a function of the legal profession or a function of the fact that with firms and companies cutting staff, we're all asked to do more.

Whatever the situation, the bottom line is what is going to give? Your sanity? Your blood pressure? Or, the quality of the legal services provided to the clients? Although we all want to function at our best at all times, I think the current situation is showing us that we can't always do that. This is where being a member of a professional organization can really help.

No matter what your situation, no matter what your issues are, you have a group of colleagues who can provide encouragement, support and some very practical advice when needed. Sometimes it's nice just to be able to vent and let out some of your frustrations, concerns, and stress. I know it's helped me on more than one occasion. So, if you haven't been to a meeting lately, or the convention, it's time to give yourself a treat and spend some time with your friends and colleagues! You won't regret it.

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NALA News

By: Christine Principe, CP

NALA AT THE NJ PARALEGAL CONVENTION

President, Jill I. Francisco, ACP, of Huntington, West Virginia, was invited by PANJ to the NJ Paralegal Convention on October 21, 2016. It's the second time Jill attended the convention. Jill said she had a wonderful time and enjoyed the numerous conversations with attendees.

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Thu, 12/01/2016 - 10:00am

Avoiding Landmines in the Nonprofit Arena

Thu, 12/08/2016 - 1:30pm

NALA CP EXAM

Testing will take place at Brookdale Community College on January 25-27, 2017.

**Testing
Window**

Deadline

**Late Filing
Deadline***

January

December 1

December 10

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These types of details are the little ones that can make the difference between a service taking three to five days to complete to taking one day.

CORPORATE RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED, that Jennifer D. Morin Smith, ACP, has resigned as President of the Paralegal Association of New Jersey, Inc. Be it furthered resolved that JoAnne Haffemen, Vice President, will assume the office of President , as per the operation of the Bylaws of the Paralegal Association of New Jersey, Inc., being herewith approved, by the Executive Board of The Paralegal Association of New Jersey, Inc., a New Jersey Corporation.

I, Jennifer Ciaburri, Corresponding Secretary of the Paralegal Association of New Jersey, Inc., a corporation of the State of New Jersey, hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of a Resolution as it appears in the records of the corporation and as was duly and legally adopted at a meeting of the Board of Directors of the corporation called for that purpose and held on November 1, 2016, pursuant to and in accordance with the Certificate of Incorporation and Bylaws thereof; that it has not been modified, amended or rescinded, and is in full force and effect as of the date hereof.


Corresponding Secretary

DATED: 11/1/16



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PANJ SEPTEMBER 2016 DINNER MEETING - MONTCLAIR STATE UNIVERSITY





STATE OF NEW JERSEY
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

Proclamation

WHEREAS, the State of New Jersey recognizes the many contributions of paralegals to the legal profession in the Garden State; and

WHEREAS, it is known that paralegals possess important legal skills and perform substantive legal tasks; and

WHEREAS, paralegals provide critical legal services to large and small companies, individuals and public entities throughout New Jersey;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, CHRIS CHRISTIE, Governor of the State of New Jersey, do hereby proclaim:

OCTOBER 21, 2016
AS
PARALEGAL DAY

in New Jersey and recognize paralegals as important partners in the delivery of legal services.



GIVEN, under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of New Jersey, this twenty-first day of September in the year two thousand sixteen, the two hundred forty-first year of the Independence of the United States.

Kim Guadagno
Lt. GOVERNOR

Chris Christie
GOVERNOR

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| March 6, 2017 | February 10, 2017 | February 21, 2017** | February 27, 2017 |
| March 20, 2017 | February 24, 2017 | March 6, 2017 | March 13, 2017 |
| April 3, 2017 | March 10, 2017 | March 20, 2017 | March 27, 2017 |
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| July 17, 2017 | June 23, 2017 | July 3, 2017 | July 10, 2017 |
| August 7, 2017 | July 14, 2017 | July 24, 2017 | July 31, 2017 |
| August 21, 2017 | July 28, 2017 | August 7, 2017 | August 14, 2017 |
| September 5, 2017* | August 11, 2017 | August 22, 2017 | August 29, 2017 |
| September 18, 2017 | August 25, 2017 | September 5, 2017 | September 11, 2017 |
| October 2, 2017 | September 8, 2017 | September 18, 2017 | September 25, 2017 |
| October 16, 2017 | September 22, 2017 | October 2, 2017 | October 10, 2017** |
| November 6, 2017 | October 13, 2017 | October 23, 2017 | October 30, 2017 |
| November 20, 2017 | October 27, 2017 | November 6, 2017 | November 13, 2017 |
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