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## TOPICS

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**Elder Law:** A discussion of Medicaid benefits, Medicare long term care (nursing home) benefits, and VA assisted living/nursing home benefits.

**Workers' Compensation – The BRC Process:** An overview of the Benefit Review Conference and how it supports the Workers' Compensation review process for a potential award of Workers' Compensation benefits.

**Foreclosure in a Troubled Economy: Tips for Protecting Creditors:** Essential best practices to meet the needs of clients including foreclosure procedures, Trustee's duties, RESPA and FDCPA.

**Constitutional Law – Adult Entertainment and the First Amendment:** An overview of current constitutional limitations on the regulation of the adult entertainment industry.

**The One That Got Away:** A discussion of investigation techniques for locating people necessary for the advancement of your litigation.

**Paralegal Ethics and Conflicts of Interest:** A discussion of paralegal ethics as defined by NALA and steps to determine if a conflict of interest exists.

**The Black Box:** An overview of crash data recovery in vehicles and how that information can make or break a accident case.

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## AGENDA

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### *Friday, November 6, 2009*

<b>Board Meeting</b>	8:15 – 9:45 AM
<b>Registration</b>	8:30 – 9:45 AM
<b>Welcome</b> Tracey Williams,	10:00 – 10:15 AM
<b>Elder Law</b> Dana Perry, Esq.	10:15 – 11:15 AM
<b>Lunch</b>	11:30AM – 12:15 PM
<b>The BRC Process</b> Teresa Bullington, Dir.	12:30 – 1:30 PM
<b>Break</b>	1:30 – 1:45 PM
<b>Foreclosure/Creditors</b> K. David Waddell, Esq.	1:45 – 2:45 PM
<b>Break</b>	2:45 – 3:00 PM
<b>Constitutional Law</b> Steve Duggins, Esq.	3:00 – 4:00 PM
<b>Break</b>	4:00 – 4:15 PM
<b>Investigation Techniques</b> W. Grey Steed	4:15 – 5:15 PM
<b>Reception in Lobby</b>	5:30 – 7:30 PM

### *Saturday, November 7, 2009*

<b>Annual Meeting</b>	8:15 – 9:30 AM
<b>Paralegal Ethics</b> Louise Mulderink, CP	9:30 – 10:30 AM
<b>Break</b>	10:30 – 10:45 AM
<b>The Black Box</b> Vicki Whithead	10:45 – 11:45 AM
<b>Closing Remarks</b>	11:45 – 12:00 PM

All times are Central Time

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## FALL SEMINAR & ANNUAL MEETING

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November 6-7, 2009  
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1811 Broadway  
Nashville, Tennessee 37023  
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## ACCOMMODATIONS

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### Embassy Suites at Vanderbilt

Rooms under the special rate of \$119 per night are blocked until October 20, 2009. Daily breakfast buffet and evening Manager's Reception included in price. See front of brochure & the attached sheet for booking your room.

**The TPA highly suggests sharing room to reduce expenses! The rooms are really BIG with two queen size beds. Please note that on your registration form. If you have not designated a roommate, you will be put in touch with another seminar participant with the same wishes.**

#### Directions: From Knoxville

Take I-40 West to Exit 209A-Broadway. Make a left turn onto Broadway. Get in the left-hand lane and continue left at the Broadway/West End split (large billboard separates the split). The hotel is on the left just past the light at 18th Avenue.

#### From Memphis

Take I-40 East to Exit 209B-Broadway. Make a right turn onto Broadway. Get in the left-hand lane and continue left at the Broadway/West End split (large billboard separates the split). The hotel is on the left just past the light at 18th Avenue.

#### From Chattanooga

Take I-24 West to I-40 West. Exit at 209A-Broadway. Make a left turn onto Broadway. Get in the left-hand lane and continue left at the Broadway/West End split (large billboard separates the split). The hotel is on the left just past the light at 18th Avenue.

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## SPEAKERS

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**DANA B. PERRY** is the managing partner at Chambliss Bahner & Stophel PC in Chattanooga Tennessee and concentrates her practice on estate planning, elder law, and special needs trust planning. She works with families to plan for optimal transfer of family businesses, investments, and other assets to succeeding generations. Ms. Perry also maintains an active elder law practice, including long-term care planning, planning for Medicaid rules, and drafting and administration of supplemental needs trusts. Ms. Perry is certified as an Elder Law Specialist by the Tennessee Commission on Continuing Legal Education and Specialization and is licensed to practice in Tennessee and Georgia. She is a frequent speaker on estate planning and elder law topics.

**TERESA BULLINGTON** is the Director of the Benefit Review Program of the Workers' Compensation Division of the Tennessee Department of Labor and Workforce Development. She is one of the original workers' compensation specialists hired at the commencement of the benefit review program in 1992. She became director of the program in 2000. Ms. Bullington was licensed to practice law in Tennessee in 1992 and has been certified as a Rule 31 mediator by the Tennessee Supreme Court.

**K. DAVID WADDELL** is Of Counsel with the law firm of Baker Donelson, Bearman Caldwell & Berkowitz PC, in the Nashville, Tennessee office. Mr. Waddell concentrates his practice in the areas of creditor's rights litigation, foreclosures, recovery of personal property, collections, and title curative litigation. He has extensive experience representing clients before regulatory boards and administrative

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agencies in the areas of food safety, pricing, and licensure. He is a member of the Nashville, Tennessee and American Bar Associations and served as Chairman, Creditor's Section, Tennessee Bar Association, 2008-2009.

**STEPHEN S. DUGGINS** is an attorney with the law firm of Scott D. Berghold, P.L.L.C. whose national municipal law practice focuses on the drafting and defense of adult business regulations in state and federal courts. Mr. Duggins has extensive experience in employment law, including ERISA litigation, representation of employers before the EEOC, and litigation of employment contract disputes. Mr. Duggins also has ample business litigation experience, including construction disputes, lien enforcement litigation and business torts. He is a member of the Chattanooga and Tennessee Bar Associations and serves on many civic and charitable organization boards including serving as Director of the Chattanooga Inner City Ministries/Christian Legal Society Legal Aid Clinic.

**GREY STEED** founded Grey Steed & Associates in 2004 after a distinguished 25 year career with the FBI. While with the FBI Mr. Steed specialized in financial crimes investigations, but was also assigned to major cases to include the Tylenol homicide investigation and the Greylord corruption case. Mr. Steed has interviewed over 20,000 witness and subjects on all type of investigations from serial killers to corrupt bank officers. Mr. Steed cases were profiled 3 times on America's Most Wanted television show.

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**LOUISE C. MULDERINK** is a certified legal assistant with the firm of Husch Blackwell Sanders LLP. Ms. Mulderink specializes in litigation but also has extensive experience in workers compensation, collections, and commercial insolvency. Her primary responsibilities include preparing workers compensation position papers, orchestrating confirmation hearings, drafting pleadings, and assisting with all aspects of the litigation process. Ms. Mulderink earned her associates in paralegal studies from the Southeastern Institute for Paralegal Education in Nashville, Tennessee and was awarded her Certified Legal Assistant designation in 2003. She has over 25 years of experience in working with attorneys and handling the demands of a rigorous workload.

**VICKI WHITEHEAD** is a the Marketing and Business Development Director for Engineering Forensics Group, Inc. EFG is an engineering consultation firm specializing in transportation engineering for public and private clients. EFG offers consultation and expert witness testimony as well as accident investigation and reconstruction; roadway design analysis; traffic operations analysis; and transportation planning.

**This seminar meets the requirements of the NALA Certifying Board for seven (7) hours and 0.7 credits toward maintenance of the CLA designation including 1.0 hour of ethics.**

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