NLADA 100 YEARS

July 29 - August 1, 2012

National Legal Aid & Defender Association

LITIGATION AND ADVOCACY DIRECTORS CONFERENCE

Registration and Information Brochure

Welcome
What to expect in Austin

Overview
NLADA's Litigation and Advocacy Directors Conference is a national gathering of experienced and emerging advocacy leaders designed to foster peer interaction and learning on the most important litigation and strategic advocacy issues affecting legal aid programs and the communities they serve. The conference will be held July 29 – August 1 at the Hilton Austin.

We are grateful to our outstanding design committee of litigation and advocacy directors from legal services programs, and representatives from state and national advocacy nonprofits for their hard work on the design and content of this year's conference.

The schedule allows for maximum flexibility. Participants may choose to attend all of the sessions offered in one particular substantive area, or they may decide to learn about a variety of areas during the course of the conference.

Who Should Attend? Not Just for Litigation Directors!
This conference is designed for those people who are engaged in setting the advocacy agenda and supervising its implementation for their civil legal services or civil rights organization. This gathering provides a not-to-be-missed opportunity for experienced advocacy directors, senior litigators, policy analysts, managing attorneys and next generation advocacy directors to learn and share cutting-edge advocacy strategies, explore recent developments in law and policy affecting the legal representation of low-income people and discuss effective planning and management of litigation and advocacy.

Conference Goals
With the nation's attention firmly focused on income inequality, this year's conference will explore:

- Critical changes to the legal landscape in housing, health care, employment, and other substantive areas
- Differential impacts on people of color, non-English speakers, disabled people and other groups
- Addressing the issues facing all poor working families in strategic ways that achieve long-lasting results
- The ever-shrinking social safety net
- How to lead and manage resource-strapped programs and preserve client services

Join us as we share best practices, successful case studies and critical legal updates impacting low-income communities.

Tentative Schedule

Sunday, July 29

Conference Registration
3:00 – 6:00 p.m.
Opening Reception
6:00 – 8:00 p.m.

Monday, July 30

Conference Registration
7:00 a.m. – 5:30 p.m.
Breakfast
7:30 – 8:30 a.m.
Welcome & Opening Plenary
8:30 – 10:00 a.m.
Plenary Session
10:30 a.m. – Noon
Lunch on Your Own
Noon – 1:30 p.m.
Sessions
1:30 – 3:00 p.m.
Sessions
3:30 – 5:00 p.m.

Tuesday, July 31

Conference Registration
7:00 a.m. – 5:30 p.m.
Breakfast
7:30 – 8:30 a.m.
Plenary Session
8:30 – 10:00 a.m.
Sessions
10:30 a.m. – Noon
Luncheon
Noon – 1:30 p.m.
Sessions
1:30 – 3:00 p.m.
Sessions
3:30 – 5:00 p.m.

Wednesday, August 1

Conference Registration
7:00 a.m. – Noon
Breakfast
7:30 – 8:30 a.m.
Sessions
8:30 – 10:00 a.m.
Sessions
10:30 a.m. – Noon
Conference Ends

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Online Registration

Available at:
www.nlada.org/litdirectors2012

Return Forms

NLADA
Attn: Litigation Directors
1140 Connecticut Ave, NW
Suite 900
Washington, DC 20036
FAX: (202) 872-1031
*Please do not e-mail forms

Questions?

Contact the Training & Conferences team at registration@nlada.org

Cancellation

Registration fees will be refunded (less a $75 administrative fee) for any cancellations received in writing prior to June 29, 2012. All cancellations received after June 30 and prior to August 1 are non-refundable and will be for credit only. Attendee substitutions are still permitted. Cancellations received following August 2, will not be eligible for refunds.

Location

Hilton Austin
500 East 4th Street
Austin, TX 78701
(512) 482-8000

Membership

Please direct membership inquiries to:
membership@nlada.org

Registration Information

Name: _____

Badge Name: _____

Title: _____

Organization: _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

E-mail: _____

Phone: _____

Dietary Options: ☐ Regular ☐ Vegetarian

Registration Fees

	Early 3/30 - 5/25	Regular 5/26 - 7/9	Late 7/10 - Onsite
Member:	☐ $425	☐ $450	$475
Non-Member:	☐ $800	☐ $800	$800

Join NLADA & Save

☐ Individual Attorney: $100
☐ Non-Attorney Professional: $60
☐ Student: $35
☐ Client Advocate: $20

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☐ MasterCard ☐ Visa ☐ AMEX ☐ Check

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Proposed Workshop Topics

Note: Topics listed below for Litigation and Advocacy Directors Conference are not final and are subject to change based on the discretion of the planning committee. A complete list of workshops will be provided when finalized at www.nlada.org/Training.

Plenary sessions

- Setting the Context: The Economic and Political Dynamics of Poverty in this Time of Income Inequality
- What's Coming Down the Pike? – A Look at the Policy Implications of Recent Supreme Court Decisions and the Potential for Devolution
- Supporting a Culture of Strategic Advocacy: What is Strategic Advocacy? What Does it Mean? What are the Essential Elements?

Substantive Law

- Night of the Living Debt – Responding to Zombie Debt and Other Emerging Issues on Debt Collection
- Addressing Barriers to Accessing Public Benefits
- Foreclosure Issues Affecting Owners & Tenants
- Immigration – Dreamers in the States
- New Developments Around Homelessness and Legal Services
- Disparate Impact Theory, Housing and Civil Rights
- Food Insecurity and Simple Steps for Legal Aid Programs to Direct People to Underutilized Nutrition Programs
- Protecting the Employment Rights of Disadvantaged Workers
- Language Access and the Courts: New Standards and Much More
- Health Care Reform – Are You Ready?
- Environmental Justice: The Impact on Disproportionately Burdened, Low-income Communities
- Using the ADA and Olmstead to Preserve and Enhance Community-Based Services and Increase Revenue for Legal Services Programs
- Attorneys' Fees – Keeping Them Coming

Racial Justice and Community Lawyering

- Community Lawyering – Critical Skills for Achieving Lasting Results
- Race Equity Advocacy through an Opportunity Framework
- The Opportunity Framework Applied: Strategies for Race Equity in Education and Healthcare
- A Framework for Advancing a Race-Equity Agenda

Leading and Managing Advocacy and Ethics

- How to Effectively Lead Strategic Advocacy In a time of Decreased Resources
- The Role of the Litigation or Advocacy Director: Jack or Jill of all Trades?
- The Unique Challenges Technology Brings to Ethics
- Ethical Consideration When Seeking and Collecting Attorneys' Fees

Multi-Forum Advocacy and Communications Strategies

- New Directions in Multi-forum Advocacy
- Establishing State Level Policies and Procedures Around the National Foreclosure Settlement
- Dealing with State Budget Shortfalls
- Reframing Medicaid Programs: The Expansion of Managed Care and the Affordable Health Care Act
- Strategic Use of Messaging and Media

Litigation Issues and Access to Courts

- Quick Runs on the Hot Topics of E-Discovery
- Affirmative Litigation: The Elephant (800lb Gorilla) in the Room
- Let's Get to Building Strategy – Working Groups Led by Emerging Leaders on Hot Litigation Topics
- Institutional Reform and Rule 60(b)

Logistical & Other Information

Hotel Information

Hilton Austin
500 East 4th Street
Austin, TX 78701
Tel: (512) 482-8000
www.nlada.org/litdirectors2012

Accommodations

NLADA has arranged for sleeping rooms at the Hilton Austin hotel. Conference attendees staying at the Hilton Austin will receive a special housing rate of $159.00 single/double per night exclusive of sales tax. The deadline for reservations is June 17, 2012. After that date, requests for reservations will be accepted on a space and rate availability basis. All reservations must be guaranteed by credit card or deposit. Be sure to inform the reservations agent that you are with the NLADA Litigation and Advocacy Directors Conference to secure the discounted rate. Check-in starts at 4:00 p.m. and check-out is at noon.

Accessibility

Hilton Austin, a non-smoking hotel, is fully accessible for people with restricted mobility and has guestrooms adapted for wheelchairs. Arrangements for a guestroom that meets your specific requirements should be requested when making reservations with the hotel. If you have a physical challenge that may impact your participation in this conference, please contact the NLADA training department at 202.452.0620 x 214.

Travel Information

Please visit www.nlada.org/Training for more information about traveling to the Litigation and Advocacy Directors Conference.

Continuing Legal Education

NLADA has applied for continuing legal education (CLE) credits in most states that have mandatory CLE requirements. CLE forms, instructions and a list of accrediting states will be included in the on site registration packets.

Sponsorship, Exhibiting & Advertising

There are many opportunities for individuals, programs, organizations and corporations to get involved with the conference. Please contact Kara Allinson at k.allinson@nlada.org for more information.

Membership

Not sure if you are a member? Become a member today and SAVE on your conference registration. Contact us at membership@nlada.org for more information.

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