



PACO NEWSFLASH

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BYLAWS COMMITTEE PUBLIC FORUM INFORMATION

Submitted by Nell Chambers, Parliamentarian

The Bylaws Committee is reviewing a proposal that PACO withdraw from the National Federation of Paralegal Associations (“NFPA”). The proposal will be discussed in more detail at two public forums to be held as follows:

Exel Inc.

570 Polaris Parkway, 4th Floor

Westerville, OH 43082

Wed. 9/27/06 at 5:30 p.m.

Contact Person: Stacey Alvey (x8427)

Contracts/Legal Analyst

Columbus Bar Association

175 South Third Street, 11th Floor

Columbus, OH 43215

Tues. 10/3/06 at noon

If you did not receive the CBA Listserv message regarding the proposal and/or have not responded to me with your comments, please do so immediately, especially if you cannot attend the public forums. I will present the comments I’ve received thus far at the public forums.

STATEWIDE NEWS

Submitted by Barry Kiser, Statewide Representative

The OSBA Paralegal Committee met on Saturday, September 16th. Topics discussed included the OSBA Paralegal certification, the Statewide newsletter and membership outreach. Kalpana Yalamanchili of the OSBA will be the speaker at our October 16th general membership meeting to discuss the voluntary paralegal certification program. Be sure to attend to hear more about this exciting new program and for an opportunity to get your questions answered. If you would like a brochure with details about the certification program, please contact me at 614-227-2113 or statewide@pacoparalegals.org.

Also, the Statewide Alliance is meeting Saturday, October 7th in Cincinnati. If you have any suggested agenda topics, please contact me at 614-227-2113 or statewide@pacoparalegals.org.

MEETING INFORMATION

October meeting information:

OSBA PARALEGAL CERTIFICATION PROGRAM

Please join us for our monthly General Membership meeting on Monday, October 16th at noon at the offices of the Columbus Bar Association, 175 S. Third St., 11th floor.

Our featured speaker will be Kalpana Yalamanchili of the Ohio State Bar Association. She will discuss the newly released Ohio Paralegal Certification option, which will become available in January 2007. Melissa Quick, OSBA Certification Manager, will be joining her to discuss this new and exciting opportunity. Both will be able to answer any questions our members may have. You won't want to miss it!!!! Our featured Vendor of the Month, and free lunch sponsor from Milo's Deli, is Ikon Office Solutions.

November meeting information:

Please join us for our monthly General Membership meeting on Monday, November 20th at noon at the offices of the Columbus Bar Association, 175 S. Third St., 11th floor.

Our featured speaker will be Harold Paddock, former Franklin County Common Pleas Court Magistrate. He will be discussing Alternative Dispute Resolution and Mediation. You won't want to miss it!!!! Our featured Vendor of the Month, and free lunch sponsor from Milo's Deli, will be announced in the near future.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS FOR OCTOBER 2006

3 – Pro Bono Committee Meeting; Time: 5:45; Location: King Avenue Five (Grandview); For additional information, please contact: probono@pacoparalegals.org

3 – Public Forum on proposal that PACO withdraw from the National Federation of Paralegal Associations (NFPA); Time: 12:00 p.m.; Location: Columbus Bar Association presented by the PACO Bylaws Committee; For additional information, please contact: bylaws@pacoparalegals.org

6 – Student Liaison Committee meeting; Time 11:30 a.m.; Location: The Spaghetti Warehouse; For additional information, please contact students@pacoparalegals.org

6 – Legal Writing Workshop; Additional details coming soon!

10 – Executive Board Meeting; Time: 5:30; Location: Jones Day, 325 John H. McConnell Boulevard; For additional information, please contact: president@pacoparalegals.org

14 – “Get Connected to PACO”; Time: 12:00 p.m.; Location: Columbus State Community College; presented by the PACO Student Liaison Committee; For additional information, please contact students@pacoparalegals.org

16 – General Membership Meeting; Time: 12:00 – 1:00 p.m.; Location: Columbus Bar Association; Agenda: TBA; For additional information, please contact: program@pacoparalegals.org

25 – High Noon at the Bar; Time: 12:00 – 1:00; Location: Columbus Bar Association; Topic: The Business and Legal Internet – Save Time with the Right Tools; Presented by: Nell Chambers, Schottenstein Zox & Dunn and Jim Meaney, Desk Runner

25 – “Get Connected to PACO”; Time: 11:45 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.; Location: The Academy of Court Reporters; presented by the PACO Student Liaison Committee; For additional information, please contact students@pacoparalegals.org

PACO AWARDS STUDENT SCHOLARSHIPS

COLUMBUS, Ohio – The Paralegal Association of Central Ohio (PACO) recognized two student scholarship winners at the September General Membership Meeting.

Jennifer Duus and Terri Mangum, both students in the Paralegal Studies program at Columbus State Community College, were awarded a \$750 scholarship each from PACO for this school year. They were recognized with a certificate in front of more than 50 meeting attendees by Rebecca Cain, First Vice President.

PACO, a non-profit organization with nearly 400 members, promotes the paralegal profession, fosters relationships within the legal committee, advocates the Code of Ethics and Professional Responsibility, and endorses the missions of PACO and its partner, the CBA.

For more information, including details about scholarship opportunities and paralegal education, please visit PACO on the Web at www.pacoparalegals.org.



Terri Mangum and Jennifer Duus (PACO Student Scholarship Recipients).



THANK YOU!

The Paralegal Association of Central Ohio (PACO) would like to extend a sincere thank all to all of our members who attended our September 5, 2006 Happy Hour.

The Happy Hour was sponsored by Schottenstein, Zox & Dunn in the firm's Arena District location, and was a great success. Many of our vendors were able to attend, along with Judges from Franklin County's Court of Common Pleas and Municipal Court, personnel from the Domestic Relations Court, Clerk of Court John O'Grady, and Columbus City Councilwoman Mary Jo Hudson.

Attendees were able to meet and greet the new Executive Board for 2006-2007, as well as network with those who attended from the legal community.

PACO looks forward to your participation in future events.



Barry Kiser (Statewide Representative, Natalie Walden (Student Liaison Coordinator), and Becky Cain (First Vice President).