**NPA 2019 Summer Conference Agenda**

June 30 – July 3, 2019
Hilton Santa Fe Historic Plaza
Santa Fe, New Mexico

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**Agenda details are subject to change.** NASS/NPA committee meetings are open to all attendees. Valid conference ID badge required for entry to ALL meetings & events. Members of the media must display credentials at all times. NO EXCEPTIONS. Attire is business casual.

*NPA meetings will be held in the Mesa Ballroom of the Hilton Santa Fe. NPA meeting attire is business casual.

**NOTE:** NPA Break Times align with the ACR Group's and differ from the NASS agenda times.

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**Sunday · June 30**

11:00 AM – 5:00 PM  Conference Registration  
*Eldorado Conourse*

6:00 PM – 9:00 PM  **Evening Event**  
*El Rancho De Las Golondrinas (buses load at 5:15 p.m.; casual attire)*

**Monday · July 1**

**Mesa Ballroom - Hilton Santa Fe**

8:00 AM – 5:00 PM  **Conference Registration**  
*Eldorado Conourse*

8:00 AM – 9:00 AM  **Breakfast**  
*Anasazi Ballroom*

9:00 AM – 9:10 AM  **NPA Section Convenes - Welcome**  
*(Mike Smith, Georgia, NPA President)*
*Welcome to NPA members and guests;*
*Overview of the conference agenda and announcements.*
9:10 AM – 10:00 AM  NPA Roll Call  
(Lori Hamm, Montana, NPA Secretary)  
Attendees introduce themselves and highlight worthy accomplishments during the year.

10:00 AM – 10:15 AM  Morning Break

10:15 AM – 11:30 AM  Legislative Report Card  
(Bill Anderson, National Notary Association)  
The year’s can’t-miss report on nationwide legislation, rules and case law developments affecting the office of Notary Public, from one of the U.S’ top Notary subject matter experts. Bill’s presentation, always eye-opening and thought-provoking, has become an NPA agenda staple.

11:30 AM – 12:00 PM  “Did You Know…”  
(Kathleen Butler, American Society of Notaries)  
Updates and fun facts, from the NPA Section’s unofficial utility player.

12:00 PM – 1:15 PM  Lunch  
Anasazi Ballroom

1:30 PM – 3:00 PM  Fraud in Real Time  
(Jill Mariani, Deputy District Attorney, Office of New York County District Attorney)  
The Grand Jury of the Supreme Court of the State of New York, County of New York, has submitted a report on the epidemic of fraud in the conveyance of residential real estate occurring in every county of the City of New York. Ms. Mariani, the Deputy District Attorney directly involved in the issuance of the Grand Jury’s findings, will shed light on the report’s proposed reforms and recommended new requirements on notaries public.

3:00 PM – 3:15 PM  Afternoon Break

3:15 PM – 4:45 PM  Improving Notary Ethics, Statutes and Regulations  
(Professor Mike Closen)  
The NPA Section enthusiastically welcomes Professor Closen back after last year’s informative and engaging debut. America’s leading legal expert on Notarial law and best practices highlights where Notary laws fall short, then lays out the improvements that would carry Notaries to higher levels of expertise and confidence.

Evening  On Your Own
Tuesday · July 2  
Mesa Ballroom - Hilton Santa Fe

8:00 AM – 4:30 PM  
Conference Registration  
*Eldorado Concourse*

8:00 AM – 9:00 AM  
Breakfast  
*Anasazi Ballroom*

9:00 AM – 10:00 AM  
**U.S. Department of State: An Update from the Authentications Office**  
(Bill Fritzlen, US Department of State)  
*This speaker’s title says it all... and the NPA Section is fortunate to have the perennial support of this vitally important office. Bill’s updates always shed light on how the U.S. Authentications Office team is ready and able to inform and assist U.S. competent authorities.*

10:00 AM – 10:15 AM  
Morning Break

10:15 AM – 11:15 AM  
**Journey to Enactment: Ohio’s Notary Statute Reform**  
(Allison DeSantis, Office of Ohio Secretary of State)  
*One of the most sweeping 2018 notary statute reforms occurred in the Buckeye State. In recounting the journey, Allison brings forth the highs, lows, and lessons learned as the stakeholders pushed relentlessly for comprehensive, modernized notary public laws.*

11:15 AM – 12:15 PM  
**You, Too, Can Enable Electronic Mortgage Closings!**  
(Ozie Stallworth, Office of North Carolina Secretary of State)  
*North Carolina continues to demonstrate how desire, stakeholder engagement and a rock-solid game plan can produce results. Ozie will lay out clear objectives, and the steps to achieve them, so states interested in enabling electronic mortgage closings--powered in part by electronic notarizations--can get moving toward their goal.*

12:15 PM – 1:45 PM  
Lunch with IDEAS Award Presentation  
*Anasazi Ballroom*

2:00 PM – 3:00 PM  
**The Face You Show the World: State Notary Offices’ Web Presence**  
(Lori Hamm, Office of Montana Secretary of State; Cathy Beaudoin, Office of Maine Secretary of State; Jamie VanHorn, Office of Delaware Secretary of State; Kathleen Butler, ASN)  
*No one will argue that even a nominally informative web site lends a significant helping hand to time and resource-stressed state Notary offices. But how much more could your web site do for you, if only you knew which site features and information would take it to the next level? (Or... the uh-
oh’s that may hold your site back.) The NPA Section’s crack team of intrepid researchers will accentuate the positives, inspire ideas, and offer guiding principles to help commissioning officers create state Notary office web sites that truly shine.

3:00 PM – 3:15 PM  
Afternoon Break

3:15 PM – 4:15 PM  
Just Ask and Learn: How Smart-Speaker Technology Can Assist State Notary Offices
(Jen Storie, Office of Utah Secretary of State)
Utah has a new player on its Notary Public team! “Alexa” is fully informed and ready at asking to dispense helpful information and instructions about becoming a Utah Notary Public, commission responsibilities, and more. Your Utah colleagues are leveraging the advantages of making smart-speaker technology “smart” about Notaries Public, and enthused to share how they made it happen.

5:15 PM – 9:30 PM  
Evening Event
Meow Wolf (buses load at 5:15 p.m.)
Meow Wolf creates immersive and interactive experiences that transport audiences of all ages into fantastic realms of story and exploration. Live entertainment featuring Vanilla Pop.

Wednesday · July 3  
Mesa Ballroom - Hilton Santa Fe

8:00 AM – 9:00 AM  
Breakfast
Anasazi Ballroom

8:30 AM – 9:15 AM  
NPA Annual Business Meeting (Administrators Only)
Members conduct business matters of the NPA

9:30 AM – 11:30 AM  
NPA Roundtable
Attendees come together for an exchange of ideas and address any outstanding open issues from the conference

12:00 PM – 12:30 PM  
NASS Leadership Ceremony Featuring Induction of 2019-2020 National Officers
New Mexico State Capitol - House Chambers; 490 Old Santa Fe Trail
Boxed lunches available after the ceremony back at the Eldorado Hotel

Safe Travels and Happy Independence Day!