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# *The American Association of Nurse Attorneys*

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*2018 Annual Meeting  
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*August 16-18, 2018*

*Hilton Denver City Center*

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*Crowne Plaza Downtown Northstar*

*Minneapolis, Minnesota*

*August 8-10, 2019*



**Crowne Plaza Minneapolis Northstar Downtown  
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## Conference Information

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### Evaluation

The conference evaluation is located in the conference folder. Please complete the survey and return it to the registration table prior to departure. NOTE: In order to receive your certificate of completion and continuing education credits, you must complete the evaluation for ONLY those sessions that you attended. Even if you do not require continuing education credit, we kindly ask that you complete this evaluation as your comments and suggestions are very valuable to us.

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#### Nursing CE's

The American Association of Nurse Attorneys; TAANA, is approved by the California Board of Registered Nursing, Provider Number 16785, for 20.5 total contact hours (including 3.5 for the pre-conference workshop).

#### Legal Education Credits (CLE)

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### TAANA Awards

#### Awards

Please join us on Friday, August 17 for the TAANA Awards Ceremony and Business Meeting Luncheon sponsored by NSO. Lunch will begin at 12:25pm and awards will be announced shortly thereafter.

#### TAANA 2018 Awards Committee

- **Chair:** Melanie Balestra, BSN, MN, NP, JD
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#### **TAANA Foundation**

The purpose of the Foundation is to operate exclusively for charitable, scientific, literary or educational purposes and to provide financial support in the furtherance of these mission purposes. The Foundation is one of the ways nurse attorneys give back to their profession and their communities. The Foundation gives an unrestricted Community Grant to a charitable organization in the city where TAANA's annual educational conference is held. The Community Grant recipient generally is an organization that provides legal and or healthcare services to a vulnerable population in that city or area. The Foundation may present a humanitarian award in honor of Mary Eleanor McGarvah, the first nurse attorney. The Mary Eleanor McGarvah Award recognizes the significant contributions Ms. McGarvah, and the award recipients, have made to society by humanitarian efforts, the development of the public health, law, nursing or public policy. The Foundation provides an opportunity for a student or new graduate attorney to attend the TAANA annual educational conference by offering a scholarship for the conference registration fee in its efforts to foster the education of nurse attorneys and recognize future leaders. Please contact the TAANA Executive Office regarding scholarship application. The mission of the Foundation is fulfilled by contributions of nurse attorneys and the public. Donations are tax deductible to the extent of the law. Donations may be made by clicking on the "Donate Now" link or "printable donation form" link on the TAANA.org website, with annual membership dues, with registration for TAANA's annual educational conference, or in person at the Annual Meeting. Foundation Trustees offer different fund raising opportunities each year at the Annual Meeting. Donations may be made in honor or in memory of someone at any time.

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## **TAANA Annual Business Meeting Agenda and Minutes**



TAANA Annual Business Meeting  
Friday, August 17, 12:25pm - 1:45pm

### **Agenda**

1. Call to Order
2. Approval of the Agenda
3. Approval of Prior Meeting Minutes
4. President's Welcome
5. NSO Report
6. Treasurers Report and Audit Update
7. Website Redesign and Launch
8. TAANA Foundation and Scholarship Update
9. Nurses on Boards
10. Membership Report
11. Upcoming Conferences
12. Nominations and Elections
13. Presentation of Awards
14. New Business
15. Adjourn



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**The American Association of Nurse Attorneys (TAANA)  
Business Meeting Notes**

August 5, 2018  
Boston, Mass  
[Telephonic Meeting]

- 7:05            Call to Order
- 7:06            President's Welcome – Melanie Balestra
- 7:10            Agenda Approved
- 7:12            Approval of Minutes of Annual Business Meeting 2016
- 7:15            Old Business
1. Discussion and Explanation of Emeritus Fellows
  2. Discussion regarding published articles/papers
    - a) Statute of Limitations and Retained Jurisdiction paper submitted to National Council of State Boards of Nursing
  3. Supreme Court Admission Spring 2018 Rosemary McCarthy
- 7:40            TAANA Foundation Report – Randi Kopf
- 1) Community Grant
  - 2) Professor Anita Hill
  - 3) Student Scholarship
- 7:45            Nominations  
New Board Members Board of Directors announced  
Officers for 2018 Board of Directors
- 7:50            Transfer of Gavel
- 7:52            Adjourned



## Conference Schedule

### TAANA Schedule of Events

(If available, presentation handouts can be found at [www.taana.org/conf2018/schedule](http://www.taana.org/conf2018/schedule))

Time	Thursday, August 16	Room
8am - 12noon	TAANA Board of Directors Meeting	Mattie Silks
8am - 12noon CE: 4.00 (this function may not be approved for Legal Credits in all states)	Pre-Conference Workshop for Advance Practice Nurses:  <b><u>Medication Management for Advanced Practice Nurses:</u></b> <b><u>Protecting Yourself from Liability</u></b>	Penrose 1
12noon - 5pm	Registration	Penrose Foyer
12noon - 2:15pm	Exhibit, Poster Setup	Penrose 2 & Mattie Silks
1pm - 1:10pm	Welcome/Opening Remarks	Penrose 1
1:10pm - 2:25pm CE/CLE: 1.25	Session 1: <b><i>LGBT Public Health and Legal Issues</i></b>  <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Edie Brous, RN, BSN, MS, MPH, JD Edith Brous, Esq. PC New York City, New York</li></ul> <u>Presentation Objectives:</u>  <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>Discuss common misperceptions about the LGBT community</li><li>List public health implications of healthcare disparities in the LGBT population</li><li>Use case examples to analyze legal protections from LGBT discrimination.</li></ol>	Penrose 1
2:25pm - 2:45pm	BREAK	Penrose 2



Time	Thursday, August 16	Room
2:45pm - 4pm CE/CLE: 1.25	<p>Session 2: <i>Preparing Your Clients in Sexual Harassment Claims</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Rosemary Parker, RN Advocate 4 You El Dorado Hills, California</li> </ul> <p><u>Presentation Objectives:</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Teaching tools for both client and attorneys: What is Sexual harassment in the workplace? Does the company have tools and training? Is there a protocol for anti-retaliation? Transforming the emotions into legal facts.</li> <li>When the stress response causes long term illness and life changing conditions: Diseases of the stress response. Proving the emotions causing stress related diseases: Timeline of health history, workman's comp evaluations, teaching the client to turn the emotions into facts.</li> <li>Clients avoidance and reluctance, becoming overwhelmed easily and how to teach the clients to overcome the conditions that may impede a lawsuit.</li> <li>How to design pamphlets, tools and techniques for both the attorney and what the attorney can give to their clients to move the client ahead in the legal process.</li> </ol>	Penrose 1
4pm - 5pm CE/CLE: 1.00	<p>Session 3: <i>Cannabis Issues in Nursing</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Cathy Klein, JD, MSN, MEd, APN Cathy A. Klein, P.C. Greenwood Village, Colorado</li> </ul> <p><u>Presentation Objectives:</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Discuss the history of the most misunderstood plant.</li> <li>Identify cannabis issues in nursing.</li> <li>Represent nurses with a basic understanding of the legal hurdles.</li> </ol>	Penrose 1
5pm - 5:15pm	NSO Address to TAANA Members & Attendees - Michael Loughran, President, AON Healthcare Division	



5pm - 6pm; CE: 1.00	Poster Sessions	Mattie Silks
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b><i>Innovations in Legal Nurse Consulting</i></b> Yolene Lofton, LNC, BSN, MBA, Nurse's Court, Inc., Miramar, Florida</li> <li><b><i>Medication Misadventures</i></b> Allison Muller, PharmD, Diplomate, American Board of Applied Toxicology Acri Muller Consulting, LLC, Aston, Pennsylvania</li> <li><b><i>Naloxone and the Opioid Epidemic: The Science and Legal Issues</i></b> Allison Muller, PharmD, Diplomate, American Board of Applied Toxicology Acri Muller Consulting, LLC Aston, Pennsylvania</li> <li><b><i>That is My Story, and I'm Sticking to It: Findings and Implications from APRNs' Defenses in Board Disciplinary Actions</i></b> Omobola Oyeleye, EdD, JD, MSN, M.Ed, RN-BC, CNE, CHSE, University of Texas at Houston, Cizik School of Nursing, Houston, Texas</li> <li><b><i>Teaching Nursing Jurisprudence in "Tort-Reformed" States</i></b> Kathleen Kearney, JD, MSN, BSN, RN, Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center, Dallas, Texas</li> <li><b><i>Case Studies of Immediate Jeopardy: Lessons Learned</i></b> Madeline Coleman, JD, MS, RN, CPHQ, Meior Healthcare Solutions, LLC, Lexington, Mississippi</li> <li><b><i>To Regulate or License: The Essential Questions Regarding Essential Oils</i></b> - Kimberly Cleveland, JD, MSN, RN, C-MBC, Kent State University Canal Fulton, Ohio - Sarah Kearney, M.Ed. Kent State University, Canton, Ohio</li> <li><b><i>Preparing Nurses On Boards: A Call To Action For Nurse Attorneys</i></b> - Kimberly Cleveland, JD, MSN, RN, C-MBC, Kent State University, Canal Fulton, Ohio - Yvonne Smith, PhD, APRN-CNS Kent State University, Canton, Ohio</li> <li><b><i>Nurse Staffing: To Regulate or Not To Regulate. Is that a Serious Question?</i></b> - Kimberly Cleveland, JD, MSN, RN, C-MBC, Kent State University, Canal Fulton, Ohio - Thomas Watral, UGN Kent State University, Wickliffe, Ohio</li> <li><b><i>Undergraduate Health Care Policy Education: The Power To Teach, Mentor and Inspire</i></b> - Kimberly Cleveland, JD, MSN, RN, C-MBC, Kent State University, Canal Fulton, Ohio - Thomas Watral, UGN Kent State University, Wickliffe, Ohio</li> <li><b><i>Avoiding Ethical and Legal Pitfalls of Informed Consent in Advanced Practice</i></b> Linda Farmer, RN, MSN, ACNP, CNOR, Acute Care Nurse Practitioner, Meridian, MS</li> </ol>		
6pm - 6:30pm	TAANA and TAANA Foundation Past Presidents Reception	TBD
6:30pm	Welcome Reception and TAANA Foundation Awards	Penrose 2



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Time	Friday, August 17	Room
7am - 8am	Continental Breakfast	Penrose 2
8am - 5:30pm	Registration	Penrose Foyer
8am - 9am CE/CLE: 1.00	<p>Session 4: <i>HIPAA, Social Media, Data Breaches &amp; The Nurse- a New Malpractice Worry!</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Donna De Simone, JD, MS, RN, APRN-CNP, APRN-CNS, FNP-C, CPN De Simone Law, PLLC Tulsa, Oklahoma</li> </ul> <p><u>Presentation Objectives:</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Identify the civil and criminal penalties for a breach of PHI.</li> <li>Identify methods to protect themselves by being HIPAA compliant, on social media and on electronic devices.</li> <li>Discuss the Office of Civil Rights penalties imposed on healthcare professionals.</li> </ol>	Penrose 1
9am - 10am CE/CLE: 1.00 This session is eligible for ethics credit	<p>Session 5: <i>The Ethical Imperative of Self-Care for Nurse Attorneys</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Stephanie Wise, ATR-BC, ATCS, LCAT Marywood University Scranton, Pennsylvania</li> </ul> <p><u>Presentation Objectives:</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Discuss common reasons nurse attorneys experience burn out.</li> <li>List 3 benefits of a robust self-care plan.</li> <li>Analyze the interaction between self-care and ethical practice.</li> </ol>	Penrose 1
10am - 10:25am	BREAK	Penrose 2
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Time	Friday, August 17	Room
10:25am - 11:25am CE/CLE: 1.00	<p>Session 6: <i>The Legal Limitation of Board Complaints</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Kimberly Kent, RN JD Kent Law Group Phoenix, Arizona</li></ul> <p><u>Presentation Objectives:</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>Learn the overview of state rules regarding deadlines for adjudication of contested matters.</li><li>Identify 2 key legal arguments regarding timely adjudication of administrative complaint.</li><li>Receive and use sample brief re-motion to dismiss for failure to prosecute.</li></ol>	Penrose 1
11:25am - 12:25pm CE/CLE: 1.00	<p>Session 7: <i>Toxicology: The Basics for Nurse Attorneys</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Allison Muller, PharmD, Diplomate American Board of Applied Toxicology Acri Muller Consulting, LLC Aston, Pennsylvania</li></ul> <p><u>Presentation Objectives:</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>List the expected effects on the body from common street and prescription drugs.</li><li>Differentiate between drug/alcohol levels obtained from blood, urine, breath.</li><li>Identify common false positives when interpreting drug screen results.</li><li>Assess the utility of drug levels for commonly encountered street and legal drugs.</li><li>Describe the correlation between drug and alcohol levels and level of impairment.</li></ol>	Penrose 1
12:25pm - 1:45pm	<p>LUNCH (all Attendees), TAANA Business Meeting &amp; Awards</p> <p>Event Sponsor</p> 	Penrose 2





Time	Friday, August 17	Room
1:45pm - 3pm CE/CLE: 1.25	<p>Session 8: <i>What do C-Suite Executives, Governing Boards, and Managers Need to Know about Healthcare Compliance?</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Kathleen Hessler, RN, JD, CHC, CHPC Simione Healthcare Consultants, LLC Albuquerque, New Mexico</li></ul> <p><u>Presentation Objectives:</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>Define a Corporate Integrity Agreement (CIA) and state its relationship with a Settlement Agreement in a Healthcare matter.</li><li>Identify at least three requirements of a CIA.</li><li>Identify at least two responsibilities of the C-Suite and one of the Health Care Governing Board.</li><li>Discuss/analyze one CIA in terms of best practices.</li></ol>	Penrose 1
3pm - 3:20pm	BREAK	Penrose 2
3:20pm - 4:20pm CE/CLE: 1.00	<p>Session 9: <i>WH[OO]PS! Opioid Addiction, Nurse Jackie, and One State's Solution</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Susan Matt, PhD, JD, MN, RN, CNE Seattle University Seattle, Washington</li></ul> <p><u>Presentation Objectives:</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>Describe at least three factors that contributed to the dramatic increase in opioid addiction in the U.S. over the past 10 - 15 years.</li><li>Discuss at least two reasons for the susceptibility of nurses to substance misuse.</li><li>List at least two barriers for nurses trying to access treatment for substance misuse.</li><li>Describe two reasons why nurses might not complete the Washington WHPS program.</li></ol>	Penrose 1
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4:20pm - 5:20pm CE/CLE: 1.00	<p>Session 10: <i>NSO Malpractice Presentation</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Jennifer Flynn, CPHRM Nurses Service Organization Pennsylvania</li> </ul> <p><u>Presentation Objectives:</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Identify the most common allegations made to regulatory boards against healthcare practitioners.</li> <li>Discuss contributing factors to final outcomes.</li> <li>Identify risk control recommendations based on case review.</li> </ol>	Penrose 1
	<u><i>Dinner on your own</i></u>	
6pm - 7:30pm	<p>Screening of "<i>Home Truth</i>," a film by April Hayes &amp; Katia Maguire</p> <p>View the trailer at <a href="http://www.hometruthfilm.com">www.hometruthfilm.com</a>.</p>	Penrose 1
Time	Saturday, August 18	Room
7am - 8am	Continental Breakfast	Penrose 2
8am - 12noon	Registration	Penrose Foyer
8am - 10am CE/CLE: 2.00	<p>Session 11: <i>Legacy Leaders' Panel Summary of Current Legal Issues</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Moderator: Paula Henry, RN, BSN, NP, JD Hershorin &amp; Henry, LLP Lake Forest, California</li> </ul> <p><u>Presentation Objectives:</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Identify key statutes, regulations and recent case law causing chaos for healthcare providers.</li> <li>Discuss and share practice tips for keeping up with healthcare regulations and compliance mandates.</li> <li>Identify 2 practical strategies to develop a litigation practice.</li> <li>Identify low cost marketing opportunities to attract and maintain a litigation client base.</li> <li>Discuss means by which TAANA members' needs for disseminating legal education can be met.</li> <li>Identify at least one way in which state chapters expand legal knowledge through partnerships with local agencies/associations.</li> </ol>	Penrose 1



Time	Saturday, August 18	Room
10am - 10:15am	BREAK	Penrose 2
10:15am - 11:45am CE/CLE: 1.50	<p>Session 12: <i>Medical Marijuana and Nursing Practice: Current legislation, Scientific Literature Review and Nursing Implications</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Kathleen Russell, JD, MN, RN National Council State Boards of Nursing Chicago, Illinois</li> </ul> <p><u>Presentation Objectives:</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Describe the history of cannabis use in the United States.</li> <li>Understand differences between federal and state legislation and state to state legislation.</li> <li>Identify the conditions that have moderate to high quality evidence for the use of cannabis.</li> <li>Recognize the intricacies of dosage considerations for medical marijuana.</li> <li>Describe abuse, dependence, overdose and withdrawal.</li> <li>Identify the essential knowledge and practice considerations for the APRN who will be certifying a qualifying condition.</li> <li>Identify the essential knowledge and practice considerations for the nurse who will be caring for a patient that is using medical marijuana.</li> </ol>	Penrose 1
11:45am - 12:45pm CE/CLE: 1.00	<p>Session 13: <i>Telemedicine is Here! What Your Clients Need to Know</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Hillary Stemple, JD Arent Fox LLP Washington, DC</li> </ul> <p><u>Presentation Objectives:</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Gain an understanding of potential licensure issues with telemedicine, particularly for multi-state arrangements.</li> <li>Gain an overview of scope of practice issues associated with telemedicine.</li> <li>Learn about Medicare, Medicaid and state law reimbursement requirements.</li> <li>Become familiar with compliance and fraud and abuse issues associated with telemedicine.</li> </ol>	Penrose 1
12:45pm	Conference Closing	Penrose 1



### **Conference Faculty**

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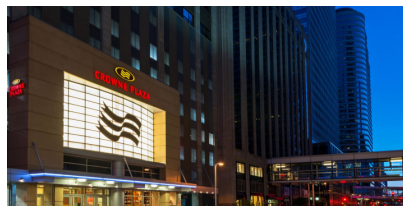
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