

MPA MEMBERS
VIRTUAL LUNCH

**FRANK COXWELL,
ESQ.**

Members, look for details in MPA's newsletter and via email before lunch on May 28, 2020.



Bankruptcy



Handling
Mortgage Issues



Foreclosures



Save the Date

May 28, 2020

MPA's Virtual CLE Hour

June 25, 2020

MPA's Monthly CLE

July 9-11, 2020

NALA's Annual Convention

July 25, 2020

MPA's Monthly CLE

August 27, 2020

MPA's Monthly CLE

September 24, 2020

MPA's Paralegal Day
Seminar

October 22, 2020

MPA's Annual Business
Meeting

May 21, 2020

Announcement

NALA Affiliate Award

The Mississippi Paralegal Association, Inc. has been selected to receive a NALA Affiliate Award for our *Pro Bono* work in 2019 with Stewpot Community Services, Wills for First Responders, and the Jackson Homeless Women's Outreach Project.

For more than twenty years, the Mississippi Paralegal Association ("MPA") has volunteered at Stewpot Community Services by serving lunch as a part of their Business Friday program. In 2019, MPA began collecting canned goods for Stewpot at networking events.

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COVID-19 Updates

MPA's Members Only YouTube Library is open to all Members, Active Members may request CLE credit through IT Committee Co-Chairperson, Bridget Briethaupt at (bridget4910@att.net).



[COVID-19 and Tech Remote Work](#)



[7 Ways Law is Forever Changed](#)



[MS SOS COVID-19 Updates](#)

“You may be disappointed if you fail, but you are doomed if you don't try.”

-Beverly Sills

Sustaining Member Spotlight

Office Evolution Flowood Jackson opened May 18, 2020. They offer private offices, coworking spaces, conference rooms, and a professional business address for entrepreneurs around the country.

The Flowood Jackson office is located just a three-minute walk to the Refuge Conference Center and Resort, which is scheduled to open in the Fall of 2020, and will include fine dining, golf, and a rooftop lounge!

For more information, call or message Angela Osbon at 601-540-7447 or by emailing flowood.ms@officeevolution.com

[Office Evolution Flowood-Jackson Facebook Page](#)

[Office Evolution Flowood-Jackson Website](#)

From The President

This year is definitely one for the record books for our association! I thought it would be because MPA turns 40 this year and we were going to be networking all over the state in an effort to bring the importance of certification and continuing legal education conversation to the paralegal community-at-large. That has not changed, but COVID-19 sure threw a monkey wrench in those plans. I am grateful MPA had a plan in place to provide remote CLE before everyone started scrambling to do the same in mid-March. The 2019 MPA Board took action to ensure we could reach paralegals on a statewide platform. There is no question MPA can continue to provide CLE to our members locally and statewide and that makes this year a win for MPA no matter how our lives change because of COVID-19.

Christy Roberts, ACP
MPA President

Website and Social Media

We love our hashtags and hope you do, too!

#msparalegals #workandplaywithmpa #mpa40in2020

Find us at:

[MS Paralegal Assn. Website](#)

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[MS Paralegals on Twitter](#)

MPA's Sustaining Members

Click on the logos below to be directed to their website!



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Job Bank

MPA's Job Bank is rather progressive in that we do not maintain an online bank. Our Job Bank Coordinator, Sheena Edwards, CP (Buter Snow) posts our job openings in MPA's Members Only Social Media Groups. MPA posts the position once in our newsletter emailed to Members bi-monthly. Our goal is to empower paralegals to find their perfect job without overwhelming our volunteers.

Inquiries from employers looking for a paralegal and MPA Members who want the latest copy of the job postings may email Ms. Edwards for a copy anytime at MPAJobBank@gmail.com.

See our latest listings here:

FOR MEMBERS ONLY.
VISIT WWW.MSPARALEGALS.ORG
FOR A MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION.

2020 NALA Annual Conference Goes Completely Virtual!

Go to NALA.org for more information.



Charity and Pro Bono Opportunities

The Mississippi Paralegal Association has served lunch to the homeless at Stewpot Community Services for over twenty years. We also serve the Jackson Homeless Women's Outreach Project with donations for personal-care item bags for Stewpot and other local domestic shelters. Our members proudly served at the Wills for First Responders event hosted by MPA Treasurer, Kristy Hogan and law firm Cosmich Simmon & Brown.



[Stewpot Community Services](#)



[Jxn MS Homeless Womens Outreach Project](#)



[Wills for First Responders MS](#)

Latest from the Board

New Beginnings This Spring

By: MPA Secretary, Jennifer Eure

Whew!!! This is such a whirlwind of a time, but, boy, I am so thankful for the extra time I have gotten to spend with my husband and two-year old. There is nothing sweeter to me than hearing my little one's laughter and excitement as he chases behind daddy's "big" push mower with his little bubble mower. We can never take for granted the special moments, and I am learning to hold on tight to my toddler's bear hugs just a little bit longer.

Spring always brings about a sense of new beginnings with the warm breeze and fresh smells. I hope that you have thought about the MPA's newsletter as also being a sense of newness, welcoming change. Our goal has been to keep the members in the loop about upcoming events in one whole sweep every two weeks with little reminders on social media and our website as well.

Read more at: <https://www.msparalegals.org/blog>

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In 2019, MPA Treasurer, Kristy Hogan, and Law Firm Cosmich Simmons & Brown hosted the Wills for First Responders MS event in Jackson, MS. The Wills for First Responders program was created by Mrs. Cathy Hutton, a senior paralegal with Cosmich Simmons & Brown, following 9/11 for the Cincinnati Paralegal Association. Several MPA members along with many other local organizations and firms volunteered their time at this one-day event on September 14, 2019. This is one of the only local events paralegals can volunteer their paralegal skills under the supervision of an attorney.

MPA also began serving The Jackson Homeless Women's Outreach Project ("JHWOP") in 2019. JHWOP is a local non-profit started by paralegals, which met monthly prior to COVID-19 to make personal care item bags for distribution at Stewpot Community Services and other local domestic abuse shelters. MPA raised cash and gift cards for JHWOP at our Summer Social.