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Sharon D. Jones, ACP Affiliated Associations Director

Sharon is a Legal Assistant at Gray Reed & McGraw P.C., a Texas-based law firm in Houston, Texas. She works under the supervision of a labor and employment partner, a business and commercial litigation partner, and three associate attorneys. She has been in the legal field for over 20 years and has worked in the areas of construction, collections, personal injury, and insurance defense. She served as in-house counsel for a real estate and development company in Las Vegas, Nevada, and in the legal department of the Seminole Tribe of Florida.

She is the newly-elected Affiliated Associations Director and previously served a twoyear term as the Affiliated Associations Secretary. Sharon is a longtime NALA member and an alumna of the NALA Leadership Enrichment and Preparation (LEAP) Class of 2015. She is a member of the Houston Paralegal Association, where she served as President, President-Elect, NALA Liaison, and Vice President-Membership and as an instructor/facilitator for the Certified Paralegal Exam study group. Sharon is also a founding member and current member of the J.L. Turner Legal Association Paralegal Section in Dallas, Texas. She is a member of the State Bar of Texas - Paralegal Division. She received her Certified Paralegal (CP) designation in 2014 and her Advanced Certified Paralegal (ACP) in Civil Trial in 2015. Sharon has an associate degree in both paralegal studies and middle management from El Centro College in Dallas, Texas.

Sharon is passionate about serving and giving back through community service. She volunteers with the Texas Fair Defense Project (TFDP) to provide local legal help to the disadvantaged and serves the homeless with the Give A Purse Project (GAPP) and TheraGood Deeds. She is involved with Angels Surviving Cancer Inc. (ASC), a breast cancer support group, and the Susan G. Komen Center for Public Policy (Speak Truth to Power: Stand Up, Speak Up). She is a graduate of the Susan G. Komen Health Initiative Stand for H.E.R. Patient Navigation Program. She is a BBQ Cookoff judge for the Houston Livestock Show & Rodeo (HLSR) and volunteers at the HLSR Ground Ticket Services. Sharon is a collaborating author of the newly-released book, *Save The Girlz Making Impact*. She was featured in the Inspiring Stories series of *VoyageHouston* magazine.

She lives in Sugar Land, Texas, with Donald, her husband of 41 years. They are members of the Church of Bethel's family. They have two children, four grandchildren, and one godson. She loves getting together with family and friends, traveling abroad and domestic, listening to good music, and line dancing.