

Certification Connection





### THE LEADING PARALEGAL ASSOCIATION



### About NALA



### **Our Mission**

Equipping paralegals for the challenges of the future through certification, professional development, and advocacy.

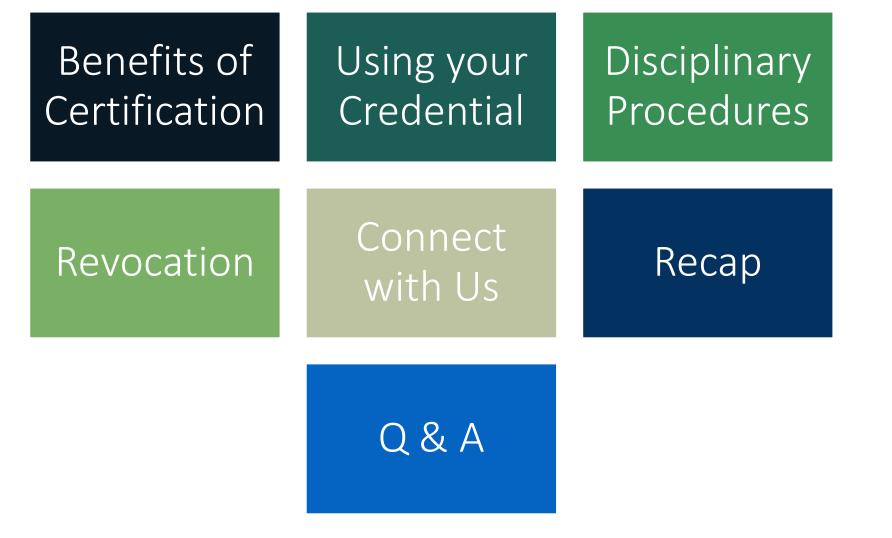
### **Our Vision**

Ensuring paralegals are known and valued as an integral part of the legal ecosystem.

Nearly 21K paralegals have been NALA certified since 1977!



### Learning Objectives

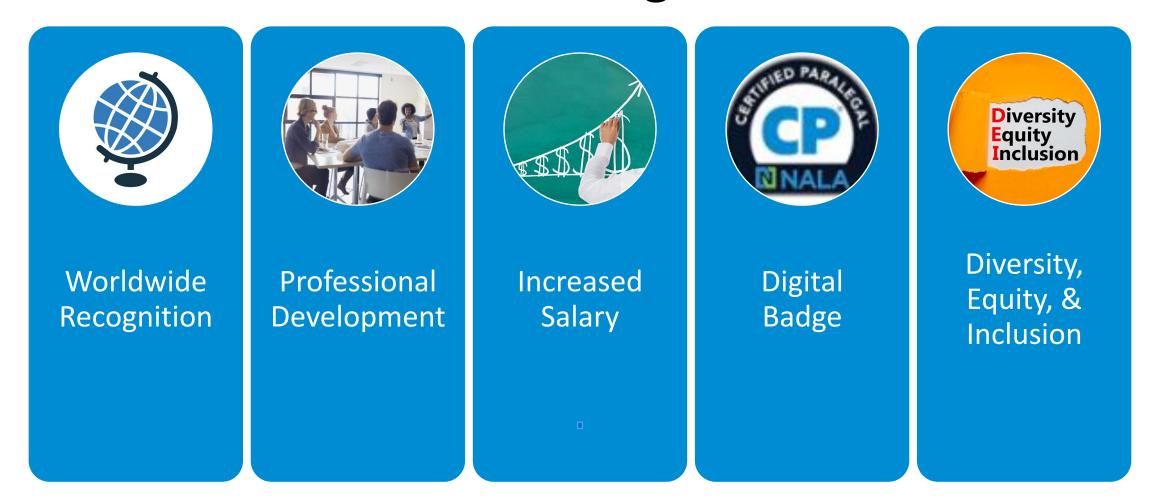




# Unleashing the Potential of YOUR Credential



### **Benefits of Being Certified**





### **CP** Certification





### **Advanced Certification**





### **Current ACP Courses**

Business Organizations – Incorporated Entities

Contract Management

**Criminal Litigation** 

Discovery

e-Discovery

Family Law – Adoption and Assisted Reproduction

Family Law – Child Custody, Support and Visitation

Family Law – Dissolution Case Management

Family Law – Division of Property and Spousal Support

Land Use

Real Estate Principles

**Trial Practice** 



# Using Your Credential Properly



### **Business Cards & Email Signature**



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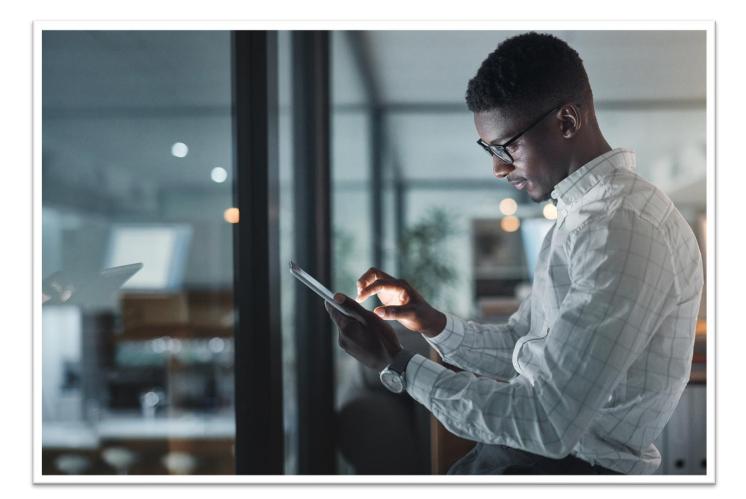


"CP<sup>®</sup> is a certification mark of the National Association of Legal Assistants. Its use is permitted only by those who have met and maintained national certification standards."



## **Digital Badges**







## **Digital Badge Verification - CP**



Issued by: NALA - The Paralegal Association

Becoming a NALA Certified Paralegal (CP) means an individual has successfully passed a rigorous examination of the knowledge necessary to be an effective paralegal. The voluntary CP program encourages the growth of the paralegal profession while also providing a proud achievement that comes with a career-long commitment. Established in 1976, the CP credential is key to respect and opportunity throughout the legal profession and is the national professional standard for paralegals.

#### <u>Learn more</u>

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The distinguished Advanced Certified Paralegal (ACP) credential courses are designed to advance education by learning specific areas of law, rather than just testing current knowledge. Applicants must successfully complete a rigorous course and maintain CP certification. Upon successful completion of the program, ACPs are certified to provide advanced paralegal services and entitled to the use of the designation ACP in connection with paralegal services offered in their specific area of study.

#### <u>Learn more</u>



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## **Digital Badge Working For You**

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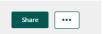


## **Digital Badge Working For You**





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#### 4,906 Job Openings

Paralegals and Legal Assistants in United States



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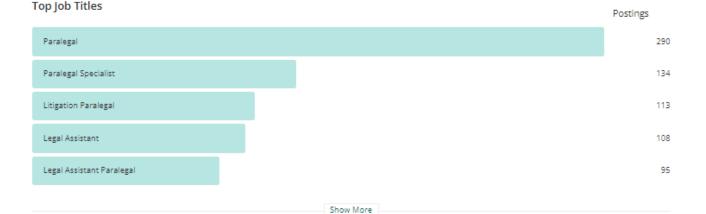
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### Trademarks

### **TYPES OF NALA CREDENTIALS**

Certified Paralegal (CP®): Successful completion of both certification exam sections (Knowledge and Skills) is required to obtain the CP® credential.



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Advanced Certified Paralegal (ACP<sup>®</sup>): The distinguished ACP<sup>®</sup> credential is only available to current Certified Paralegals (CP<sup>®</sup>); however, if the CP Exam is passed within one-year of completing an advanced course, the ACP<sup>®</sup> credential will be awarded.



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Certification logos should always be featured in their standard full-color design, unless not applicable. BLACK



If the standard certification logo is not able to be displayed in color, or if it is being displayed on a light background, then the black logos may be used.

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# **Disciplinary Procedures**



### **Disciplinary Action**

Falsified information on any document submitted to the Certifying Board

Been convicted of the unauthorized practice of law since applying for the Certified Paralegal credential.

Failed to meet continuing legal education requirements

Divulged the contents of any examination question

Been convicted of a felony since applying for the Certified Paralegal credential Failed to notify NALA of updates to their application for the Certified Paralegal credential

Violated the <u>NALA Code of</u> <u>Ethics and Professional</u> <u>Responsibility</u>

Violated the "<u>Terms and</u> <u>Conditions of Testing</u>"

Engaged in any other conduct determined by a majority vote of the Certifying Board to be unethical or unprofessional Unfairly gained exam information by using unauthorized materials or websites during the examination Provided any assistance to another candidate at any time during the exam preparation or delivery period.



### Submit a Claim

#### Filing a complaint.

If any person believes that an Examination candidate or Certified Paralegal has violated any of these standards, click below to submit the Disciplinary Complaint form. The information provided should include documents which substantiate any claim of conviction or improper behavior.

#### **Disciplinary Complaint Form**

These rules establish the procedures that the Disciplinary Committee will follow in investigating and taking action on any charge of violation of any action or conduct described in the Disciplinary Procedures manual. The Disciplinary Committee's purpose is to assure that such charges are investigated fully and resolved fairly, consistent with the integrity of the Certified Paralegal program.

#### **CP Disciplinary Complaint**

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This form is for the submission of a complaint against a NALA Examination candidate or Certified Paralegal/Advanced Certified Paralegal. Complaint: (Recurred) Date of Complaint: (Recurred)

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Violated the NALA Code of Ethics and		
Professional Responsibility		
Violated the Certified Paralegal Program		
Handbook		
Violated the "Terms and Conditions of Testing"		
Engaged in any other conduct determined by a		
majority vote of the Certifying Board to be		
unethical or unprofessional		
Name of Complainant: (Required)		
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# **Revocation of Your Credential**



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### **Connect With Us**



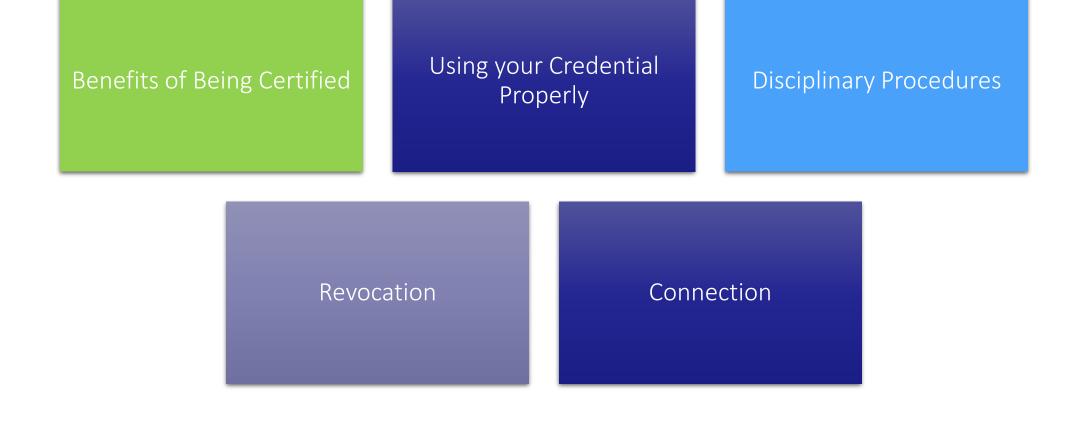




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### **Reviewing What You Have Learned**





## Thank you





