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NEWS & VIEWS



Rhonda Brashears has worked as a Paralegal for 37 years with 35 of those years at the Underwood Law Firm in Amarillo Texas. She specializes in personal injury and civil trial defense law. She received her B.G.S. from West Texas A&M University in 1998, her Certified Paralegal designation from NALA--The Paralegal Association in 1996, and was Board Certified by the Texas Board of Legal Specialization in Personal Injury Trial Law in 1998.

Since starting her career as a paralegal, Rhonda has strived to further the paralegal profession. She became a member of the Paralegal Division of the State Bar of Texas in 1990 and first served on the Board of Directors from 1997-2001; she was secretary for two of those years and she was President in 2002-2003 and again in 2008-2009. She was Publications Chair for Texas Paralegal Journal for four years and won outstanding committee chair for that position; Online CLE chair for seven years; and served as Chair of the Texas Advanced Paralegal Seminar "TAPS" for two years.

In November of 2015 Rhonda became coordinator of the Paralegal Division, serving the Board of Directors and the members in numerous capacities, including meeting planner for TAPS. She also still serves as an Ambassador to the Paralegal Division.

Rhonda was honored with the Paralegal Division Award of Excellence in 2023, which is the highest honor a member can receive.

Rhonda is a member of the Texas Panhandle Paralegal Association, where she has served as President, President-Elect, Treasurer and NALA Liaison. She is also a member of NALA--The Paralegal Association and an Amarillo Bar Association Paralegal Member.

In her spare time, she enjoys spending time with her family, two doodles, scrapbooking, quilting and traveling everywhere she can.

CLE LUNCHEON AND MONTHLY MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Thursday, July 17, 2025
11:45 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

SPEAKER:

Rhonda Brashears

AMARILLO CLUB – 30TH Floor
First Bank Southwest Tower
600 S. Tyler Street
Amarillo, TX 79101

“Past, Present and Future Ethical Trends”

- Why do Ethics Matter?
- Understanding the fast-paced changes in AI
- How can we stay ahead of ethically using AI

COST:

TPPA MEMBERS

\$25 – Meal and CLE Credit

NON-TPPA MEMBERS

\$35 – Meal & CLE Credit

STUDENT

\$15– Meal

***Please RSVP no later than 4:00 P.M. the Monday
before the meeting to kshillings@mwlawfirm.com***

****If you RSVP for a meal purchase and do not attend,
you will be invoiced \$25***



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President's Message:

I will be appointing Chairs of the Standing Committees. If there is a committee chair you are interested in serving, volunteer willingly for your chair; please email me directly, FaihtTrevino@papdmac.org.

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