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## Paralegal PERSPECTIVES

### PAR participates in 2017 ESAPA conference in Syracuse; hosts 2019 NFPA convention in Rochester

The purposes of the Paralegal Association of Rochester, Inc. include “to enhance and promote the professional status and interests of paralegals in the greater Rochester area” and “to organize and conduct seminars, discussion conferences, and study groups to aid and supplement our members’ legal education.” We are thrilled to announce that PAR will be intricately involved in two events to fulfill those purposes.

PAR is a member of the Empire State Alliance of Paralegal Associations, Inc. (ESAPA), a statewide group comprised of paralegal associations representing over 750 paralegals. ESAPA has decided to hold a 2017 NYS Paralegal Education and Leadership Conference at the Marriott Syracuse Downtown on Friday and Saturday, Sept. 16 & 17, 2017. It will have some very informative and substantial continuing legal education sessions on Saturday that will qualify for CLE credits for both paralegals and attorneys.

In addition, it will have a cocktail party for attendees with our sponsors and vendors on Friday night and a very special keynote speaker and dinner on Saturday night. The conference is at the beautiful, newly refurbished Marriott Syracuse Downtown hotel, formerly the Hotel Syracuse that was built in 1924.



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#### Looking ahead

We know that 2019 seems a long way away, but PAR is very excited to be hosting the 2019 convention for the National Federation of Paralegal Associations, Inc. (NFPA), Oct. 10-13 at the Radisson Hotel in Rochester. We have developed our logo with Jeff Tara of Brandvue Design, which incorporates the camera (Eastman Kodak Company) with the concept behind it of focus. Our members will be celebrating 100 years since the 19th Amendment (Right to Vote), which was

At this conference ESAPA will host paralegals from all over New York state. We would certainly encourage all paralegals to attend this amazing event. If you’d like further information please contact Deb Mabry, PAR’s primary representative and ESAPA’s vice president, at ESAPA ([esapa.vice-president@gmail.com](mailto:esapa.vice-president@gmail.com))



approved by Congress and submitted to the states for ratification in 1919 and finally ratified in 1920.

Our theme, so appropriate for today and tomorrow, is Continued Focus on Legal Rights. Here is our logo.

The convention will bring paralegals from all over the United States to Rochester for continuing education seminars on Thursday, Oct. 10. Policy meetings and networking opportunities are scheduled during Friday, Saturday and Sunday. We encourage the paralegals in Rochester to join our committee and be a part of this event. You may contact Deb Mabry, PAR’s primary representative to NFPA and the 2019 convention chair, at Nixon Peabody LLP – [dmabry@nixonpeabody.com](mailto:dmabry@nixonpeabody.com) or 585-263-1350 — or visit PAR’s website for more information or contact Debbi King, PAR’s secondary representative to NFPA, at [debbi16@rochester.rr.com](mailto:debbi16@rochester.rr.com).