NAPABA is seeking program submissions on a wide range of substantive legal matters and topics of concern to the legal community to deepen our members’ knowledge and skills and provide them with opportunities to forge bonds through panel discussions, workshops, and interactive presentations for the 2023 NAPABA Convention. NAPABA will limit the number of accepted programs per topic area to allow for a wide range of subject matters.

Before submitting a program submission, please take the time to thoroughly develop your program. Stronger, more detailed, and specific submissions will be evaluated more favorably than weak or less thought-out submissions. Failure to comply with our policies and guidelines may result in the rejection of your submission.

By submitting a program submission, you and your panelists agree to adhere to all submission policies and guidelines set forth by NAPABA.

**IMPORTANT DATES**

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**PLEASE NOTE:** All dates and times noted in these guidelines are subject to change.
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CLE COMMITTEE

The CLE Committee consists of five NAPABA members and a NAPABA staffer. This committee reviews all submissions received through the Call for Programs and selects the final CLE programs for the NAPABA Convention. The committee uses the selection criteria listed on page four to make their final decisions.

OVERVIEW

I. SUBMISSION PROCESS
   All program submissions must be made through the NAPABA Call for Programs portal found on www.napaba.org/2023_Convention. Submissions sent through other channels will not be considered. Late submissions will not be considered. The deadline to submit a program is 8:00 pm ET on Friday, March 24.

II. TIME RESTRICTIONS
   All programs are scheduled for 75 minutes and should allow for Q&A at the end of the program. Moderators and speakers are expected to show up 10 minutes prior to their scheduled start time for set-up and any prep. Programs must end on time to give the next program speakers ample time to set up for their program. Moderators and speakers are responsible for keeping their own time.

III. SCHEDULING
   Programs are scheduled according to several criteria and factors. For this reason, we do not take requests for when to schedule programs nor will we make any exceptions once a program is accepted, including to accommodate travel arrangements. We will attempt to schedule each program in an appropriately sized room based on factors such as historic attendance for similar programs.
SPEAKER CRITERIA

The number of panelists listed in your submission should reflect the needs of the format of your program. For CLE purposes, all accepted programs must have a minimum of two panelists. There may be no more than a **maximum of five** individuals, per panel.

An individual may be listed in any number of submissions; however, **an individual, regardless of role, may present in no more than one Convention program**. Please be realistic with respect to your proposed speakers and discuss the program with them in advance; acceptance of your program submission may be contingent on the speakers you have proposed. NAPABA may exercise discretion to add, remove, or substitute speakers at any time.

I. PRIMARY CONTACT

Identify a primary contact who will commit to managing the program should your submission be accepted. All communication between NAPABA and accepted programs will be through the primary contact. The primary contact will be responsible for overall management of your program including, but not limited to, gathering materials for Continuing Legal Education (CLE) accreditation, sharing information with all speakers, ensuring speakers are kept up to date with deadlines, and communicating with NAPABA regarding the submission. **The primary contact must have subject matter knowledge of the submission and must be a speaker or moderator on the program.**

II. MODERATOR (optional)

Consider identifying a moderator for your program. A good moderator is a subject matter expert that stays neutral and encourages a balanced view of the topic, manages the speakers and controls the audience, can think quickly on their feet and expect the unexpected. Moderators should not dominate the discussion, but should keep the program directed, lively, and interesting. Consider strong moderators who have expertise in the subject of your program. The format of your program may not require a moderator; however, a speaker should not serve as moderator. **Moderators should refrain from serving as speakers; instead, they should focus on the importance of managing the conversation.**

III. SPEAKERS

Speakers should offer subject matter expert perspectives from diverse or underrepresented groups, such as, but not limited to, ethnicity, gender, sexual orientation, and geography.

IV. REGISTRATION

All moderators and speakers are required to register for the Convention and pay the registration fees. However, if a moderator or speaker is only attending his or her speaking engagement, they may register for a complimentary day pass.

V. SCHOLARSHIP

NAPABA does not provide reimbursements, registration discounts, or honoraria to panelists presenting at the Convention; however, we offer a scholarship that is open to all attendees to defray the cost of Convention. We encourage all panelists to apply for a Convention scholarship (opening in June). Convention scholarships will be awarded in the form of a reimbursement and may be used towards Convention registration, reasonable airfare/train/bus transportation, lodging, and ground transportation from/to airport and Convention hotel (or overflow hotels, if necessary).
Program submissions should be fully fleshed out and your speakers should be near finalized; confirmed speakers will be taken into consideration versus invited speakers. Submissions that are not thoroughly planned out may not be accepted. Listed below are some of the key selection criteria that our CLE Committee considers in evaluating submissions.

I. TITLE
The title of the program should be short and to the point, but creative, and align with the description. The title should be print-ready as it will be printed in all program materials, published on our website, and available on our Convention App. Please note that our registration website will only allow up to 94 characters for program titles. Titles longer than 94 characters will be cut off.

II. DESCRIPTION
Keep the description short (no more than 200 words) and to the point and aligned with the title. The description should be a print-ready narrative with no bullet points. This description will be printed in all program materials, published on our website, and available on our Convention App. The aim of the description is to convince Convention attendees to attend your program and offer clear learning objectives.

III. LEARNING OBJECTIVES
What will the audience learn from your program? Programs should have clear learning objectives that attorneys can take home and apply in their workplaces.

IV. INTERACTIVITY AND ENGAGEMENT
The format and delivery method of the program should allow the audience to achieve the stated learning objectives.

V. TOPIC
The topic of the program should be substantive and relevant, tight, and focused, reflect current issues and developments in law or concrete professional development, and present beyond a 101 level. Further, the topic should be of general interest to encourage wide attendance and be sufficiently specific for a 75-minute program.

VI. SPEAKER DIVERSITY
When selecting speakers, we encourage you to choose individuals from a variety of different backgrounds. We look for diversity including:

- Gender
- Practice area
- Professional background (private sector, public sector, non-profit, government, etc.)
- Firm or company
- Geography
- Race & ethnicity
A program that showcases a variety of professional and personal backgrounds will have a better chance of acceptance than a program whose speakers come from the same private law firm and work in the same practice area. Complete and accurate speaker biographies aid in evaluation.

VII. SPEAKER EXPERTISE
Speakers should be knowledgeable of and provide a fresh perspective on the topic of the program. Speakers should also have public speaking experience.

VIII. GRAMMAR AND SPELLING
Grammar and spelling mistakes may result in rejection of your submission. The submission reflects your program and mistakes may reflect poorly on the quality of your program with your potential audience. If your submission is accepted, your submission may be printed in program materials as is or NAPABA has the right to edit your program as necessary. As such, NAPABA is not responsible for mistakes made in the title, description, names, and speaker biographies in our materials.
MODEL SUBMISSION

The program below was submitted through the Call for Programs for the 2022 NAPABA Convention and was accepted by the CLE Committee. Here are the reasons why:

1. Strong title. The title reflects the content of the program. It reflects the importance of the topic and the tie to current events/changes in the legal landscape. It is creative.
2. Compelling description on a tight and focused topic. The description provides an overview of why the issue matters and how the practice environment has changed. It tells attendees the specific topics they can expect to hear about and does not attempt to address an overly broad issue. Attendees are informed they will walk away with actionable information they can use in their practice. The description is written to convey that the program would be interesting for those who practice in the field and those who are not in the field.
3. Diverse and experienced speakers. The moderator and speakers are a balance of firm, government, in-house, and outside experts, as appropriate to the topic, and reflect demographic diversity. They are qualified speakers on the topic and can present fresh views on the issue.

TITLE: Girls Just Wanna Have FUNds

SUBJECT MATTER: Professional Development

DESCRIPTION: In a world where women are often financially independent and build their own wealth, it is essential for women to "plan for the best but prepare for the worst," when it comes to protecting their assets. This program will provide guidance and tips geared towards a female audience on how to best protect their assets and finances in situations relating to marriage, divorce, family disputes and estate planning. Learn from family law and estate planning attorneys, CPAs and financial advisors on how to prevent financial disputes over division of family assets, address potential family disputes upon divorce or death to reduce risks of litigation, prepare for and defend litigation relating to family financial disputes, and ways to manage and preserve your assets. You will hear from attorneys and other advisors based on their experiences dealing with high profile cases and clients and learn what to and not to do. Whether you want to learn how to address these issues for your own good or to advise your clients, this program is truly essential for women at all stages of life -- single, married, divorced, re-married, retired—you name it!

Although this program is geared towards a female audience, the topics are pertinent and applicable to everyone, and all are welcome!

MODERATOR: Stephanie Louie, Attorney, Bloomquist Law, PLLC

SPEAKERS:
Stacie Chau, Attorney, Holland & Knight LLP
Linh H. Ly, Attorney, Pesner Altmiller Melnick DeMers & Steele PLC
Eric M. Tokuyama, Attorney, Hoffman Sabban & Watenmaker, APC
Theresa White, Financial Planner and Advisor, First Financial Group

LEARNING OBJECTIVES: Identify legal and financial issues women should consider prior to marriage to ensure and/or protect finances; tips on managing wealth and assets for women; how to advise clients on pre-nup and post-nup agreements; issues to consider in anticipation of and during a divorce; how to prevent litigation in a potentially litigious family dispute such as divorce or inheritance disagreement; handling litigations relating to division of family wealth in divorce or probate proceedings.
INTERACTIVITY: We will feature speakers from diverse backgrounds in terms of specialty, experience and tenure. The program will also include real life examples, many from high profile cases that the speakers have dealt with personally and would share their experiences and tips. To make things more interactive and relatable, the program will also include video clips from famous TV shows regarding disputes over division of family wealth that attendees can relate to and will serve as a starting point to discuss case studies.
AFTER YOUR PROGRAM IS ACCEPTED

I. CONNECT WITH YOUR CLE COMMITTEE LIAISON
After your program has been accepted, you will be assigned a CLE Committee liaison. They will guide you throughout the year as you prepare for the Convention and can provide any advice or recommendations on the content of your program. While your CLE Committee liaison will provide recommendations, NAPABA staff must approve all changes.

II. CONFIRM YOUR PANELISTS
If your panelists (moderator or speaker) have changed between submitting your program and program acceptance, you must inform NAPABA of speaker changes no later than Friday, August 25, 2023. NAPABA will print all panelist information (A through E below) in our program materials if received. You must provide NAPABA with the following information:

a. Full name
b. Employer name
c. Title
d. Short biography
e. Headshot
f. Educational degrees
g. Email address
h. Phone number
i. Social media handles

III. SPEAKER RELEASE FORM
All moderators and speakers must complete and submit a speaker release form to NAPABA no later than 8:00 pm ET on Friday, September 8, 2023. This form will be available through the 2023 NAPABA Convention page.

IV. CONTINUING LEGAL EDUCATION
All accepted programs must apply for Continuing Legal Education (CLE) credit unless prior authorization has been provided by Senior Meetings Manager Pang Moua. NAPABA will file for CLE accreditation on behalf of all programs, but it is the responsibility of the program chair and speakers to hand prepare and submit to NAPABA the required written materials for filing.

Written materials will be made accessible to attendees on the NAPABA website and Convention mobile app. NAPABA will not provide any printed materials for your program. If you wish to distribute written materials during your program, you must bring your own copies for the attendees. NAPABA will not be responsible for printing expenses.

For guidance on preparing your CLE materials, please refer to the CLE Written Materials Guidelines, which may be found on the 2022 NAPABA Convention page.

CLE WRITTEN MATERIALS DEADLINE
All CLE written materials are due to NAPABA no later than 8:00 pm ET on Friday, September 8, 2023.