

National District Attorneys Association
National Center for Prosecution of Child Abuse
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February 1-5, 2010 • Santa Fe, New Mexico

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Monday, February 1, 2010

- 7:45 a.m. – 8:30 a.m. **Registration and Continental Breakfast**
- 8:30 a.m. – 8:45 a.m. **Conference Introduction**
Rami Badawy
Senior Attorney
National District Attorneys Association
National Center for Prosecution of Child Abuse
Alexandria, Virginia
- 8:45 a.m. – 9:00 a.m. **Welcoming Address**
Scott Burns
Executive Director
National District Attorneys Association
Alexandria, Virginia
- 9:00 a.m. – 9:30 a.m. **Keynote**
Thomas W. Sneddon, Jr.
Former Interim Executive Director
National District Attorneys Association

Former District Attorney
Santa Barbara County
Santa Barbara, California
- 9:30 a.m. – 9:45 a.m. **Break**
- 9:45 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. **Medical Investigation of Fatal Child Abuse –
The Medical Examiner’s Perspective**
Mary Case, M.D.
Chief Medical Examiner
St. Louis County Medical Examiners Office
St. Louis, Missouri
- 11:00 a.m. – 11:15 a.m. **Break**
- 11:15 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. **Medical Investigation of Fatal Child Abuse –
The Medical Examiner’s Perspective (cont.)**
Mary Case, M.D.
St. Louis, Missouri

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- 12:30 p.m. – 1: 45 p.m. **Lunch (on your own)**
- 1:45 p.m. – 3:15 p.m. **Proving Complex Medical Topics through Computer Graphics and Animation**
Robert Parrish
Deputy District Attorney Salt Lake County
Salt Lake City, Utah
- 3:15 p.m. – 3:30 p.m. **Break**
- 3:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. **Investigating and Prosecuting Neglect**
Robert Parrish
Salt Lake City, Utah
- 5:00 p.m. **Adjourn for the Day**

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Tuesday, February 2, 2010

- 8:00 a.m. – 8:30 a.m. **Continental Breakfast**
- 8:30 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. **The 4 B's: Breaks, Bruises, Bellies, and Bite Marks**
Cindy Christian, M.D.
University of Pennsylvania School of Medicine
Children's Hospital of Philadelphia
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
- 10:00 a.m. – 10:15 a.m. **Break**
- 10:15 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. **Ask the Doctor**
Cindy Christian, M.D.
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
- 12:00 p.m. – 1:30 p.m. **Lunch**
- 1:30 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. **The Interrelationship Between Domestic Violence
and Child Homicide**
Kristina Korobov
Senior Attorney
National District Attorneys Association
National Center for the Prosecution of Violence
Against Women
Alexandria, Virginia
- 3:00 p.m. **Adjourn for the Day**

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Wednesday, February 3, 2010 – Prosecutor Track

- 8:00 a.m. – 8:30 a.m. **Continental Breakfast**
- 8:30 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. **Case Analysis, Pre-Trial Issues and Ethical Considerations**
Justin T. Fitzsimmons
Senior Attorney
National District Attorneys Association
National Center for Prosecution of Child Abuse
Alexandria, Virginia
- 10:00 a.m. – 10:15 a.m. **Break**
- 10:15 a.m. – 11:45 a.m. **Jury Selection and Opening Statements – Use of Theme And Theories**
Andra Ackerman
Director of Human Trafficking Prevention and Policy
New York State Division of Criminal Justice Services
Albany, New York
- 11:45 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. **Lunch (on your own)**
- 1:00 p.m. – 2:30 p.m. **Specialized Trial Tactics: Prosecuting Child Homicides**
Eleanor Odom
Senior Assistant District Attorney
Cobb County
Marietta, Georgia
- 2:30 p.m. – 2:45 p.m. **Break**
- 2:45 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. **Closing Arguments**
Andra Ackerman
Albany, New York
- 4:00 p.m. – 4:15 p.m. **Break**

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Wednesday, February 3, 2010 Law Enforcement Track

- 8:00 a.m. – 8:30 a.m. **Continental Breakfast**
- 8:30 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. **Infant and Child Death Investigation: Analysis,
Documentation and Reconstruction**
Lt. Bill Walsh (Retired)
Crimes Against Children Unit
Dallas, Texas
- 10:00 a.m. – 10:15 a.m. **Break**
- 10:15 a.m. – 11:45 a.m. **Infant and Child Death Investigation (Cont.)**
Lt. Bill Walsh (Retired)
Dallas, Texas
- 11:45 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. **Lunch (on your own)**
- 1:00 p.m. – 2:30 p.m. **Interview and Interrogation in Infant and
Child Death Investigations**
Lt. Bill Walsh (Retired)
Dallas, Texas
- 2:30 p.m. – 2:45 p.m. **Break**
- 2:45 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. **Tips on Testifying in Court**
- 4:00 p.m. – 4:15 p.m. **Break**

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Wednesday, February 3, 2010 Responding to Victims and Families Track

- 8:00 a.m. – 8:30 a.m. **Continental Breakfast**
- 8:30 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. **Emerging Issues in Forensic Interviews**
Linda Steele
Senior Trainer
National Children’s Advocacy Center
Huntsville, Alabama
- 10:00 a.m. – 10:15 a.m. **Break**
- 10:15 a.m. – 11:45 a.m. **Emerging Issues in Forensic Interviews (cont.)**
Linda Steele
Huntsville, Alabama
- 11:45 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. **Lunch (on your own)**
- 1:00 p.m. – 2:30 p.m. **The Impact of Domestic Violence on the Family**
Kellie Rogers
Program Manager
YWCA of Seattle
Children’s Domestic Violence Program
Renton, Washington
- 2:30 p.m. – 2:45 p.m. **Break**
- 2:45 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. **Interviewing Siblings of Homicide Victims**
Amy Allen
Victim Witness Specialist
Department of Homeland Security
U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement
Detroit, Michigan
- 4:00 p.m. – 4:15 p.m. **Break**

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Wednesday, February 3, 2010 – Plenary

4:15 p.m. – 5:15 p.m.

Vicarious Trauma

Amy Russell

Staff Attorney

National Child Protection Training Center

Winona, Minnesota

5:15 p.m.

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Thursday, February 4, 2010

- 8:00 a.m. – 8:30 a.m. **Continental Breakfast**
- 8:30 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. **Overview of Abusive Head Trauma (AHT)**
Carole Jenny, M.D.
Brown University School of Medicine
Hasbro Children’s Hospital
Providence, Rhode Island
- 10:00 a.m. – 10:15 a.m. **Break**
- 10:15 a.m. – 11:45 a.m. **Forensic Controversies in AHT**
Carole Jenny, M.D.
Providence, Rhode Island
- 11:45 a.m. – 1:15 p.m. **Lunch (on your own)**
- 1:15 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. **Legal Challenges in AHT**
Brian Holmgren
Assistant District Attorney General
Davidson County
Nashville, Tennessee
- 3:00 p.m. – 3:15 p.m. **Break**
- 3:15 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. **Dissecting and Confronting Defense Expert Testimony
In AHT Cases**
Brian Holmgren
Nashville, Tennessee
- 5:00 p.m. **Adjourn for the Day**

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Friday, February 5, 2010

- 8:00 a.m. – 8:30 a.m. **Continental Breakfast**
- 8:30 a.m. – 10:30 a.m. **Serial Child Torture**
Barbara Knox, M.D.
Medical Director
University of Wisconsin
Child Protection Program
Assistant Professor, Department of Pediatrics
University of Wisconsin
American Family Children’s Hospital
Madison, Wisconsin
- Suzanna Tiapula
 Director
 National District Attorneys Association
 National Center for Prosecution of Child Abuse
 Alexandria, Virginia
- 10:30 a.m. – 10:45 a.m. **Break**
- 10:45 a.m. – 12:15 p.m. **Burns**
Barbara Knox, M.D.
Madison, Wisconsin
- 12:15 p.m. – 12:30 p.m. **NCPCA Thank you**
- 12:30 p.m. **Conference Adjournment**