

OUR ANNUAL MEETING

Where: JAMS, 620 8th Ave, 34th Floor, New York, NY.

When: Thursday, October 18, 2018

RSVP: October 8, 2018 Please contact Sean Alley for reservations and ballots at seanalley75@gmail.com Seating is limited.

SPECIAL THANKS TO: Rita Morriale, Vice President of Veritext/Priority One Court Reporting She and they will be sponsoring the food, drinks, etc.

Our Guest Speakers:

Shelley Rossoff Olsen, Esq., - the Special Master of the New York City Asbestos Litigation, is a veteran ADR professional and a recognized authority on dispute resolution and facilitated settlements. A former Senior Court Mediator and Summary Jury Trial Judge in the Supreme Court, New York County Civil Division from 2005-2009, she has settled thousands of matters involving a wide range of issues. Ms. Olsen is a full-time mediator and arbitrator specializing in complex dispute resolution and is highly respected by both the plaintiff and defense bars.

Preceding her service as a Senior Court Mediator and Summary Trial Judge, Ms. Olsen was a principal court attorney in the Supreme Court Appellate Division, First Department for five years. Prior to her career in public service, Ms. Olsen developed her extensive civil law background by representing both plaintiffs and defendants, through her work at three prominent New York City law firms where she tried complex medical malpractice, labor law, lead poisoning, premises liability, and personal injury cases.

Jill Francisco, ACP- Mrs. Francisco became a certified paralegal in 2005 and obtained two advanced certifications (trial practice and discovery) in 2010. Mrs. Francisco is employed as a paralegal with Dinsmore & Shohl, LLP, in their Huntington, West Virginia office. She previously worked as a paralegal at Huddleston Bolen LLP, 1997 through January of 2015 when they merged with Dinsmore & Shohl, LLP. She is very active in local and national professional associations within her profession. She was Charter President of the Legal Assistants/Paralegals of Southern West Virginia 2004-2006, and has served as a member of the National Association of Legal Assistants (NALA) Professional Development Committee 2003-2006, NALA's Affiliated Associations Secretary 2006-2007, Affiliated Associations Director 2008-2010, NALA's Treasurer 2010-2012, NALA's Secretary 2012-2014, NALA's Second Vice President 2014-2016, NALA's Vice President 2016-2018, and is currently serving as NALA's President.

She also currently serves on the Legal Assistant Program Advisory Board for Mount West Community College and the Marshall University Big Green Scholarship Foundation Board of Trustees.