Staying In Tune

The National Conference on Guardianship

October 4 - 7, 2008
In Nashville, Tennessee

Whether it's "staying in tune" with the latest in guardianship practices . . . staying in tune with the needs of our clients . . . staying in tune with family and friends . . . or staying in tune with the world around us . . . everyone needs to take a break now and then to tune in and tune up.

The annual Conference on Guardianship is the only national program that merges education, networking, personal development, and motivation into an event specifically tailored for guardians, conservators and fiduciaries. The vibrancy of Music City USA makes it a perfect setting for this annual gathering of energetic and engaged leaders of our profession.

From the Welcome Reception on Saturday until adjournment at noon on Tuesday this is an experience planned with you in mind. For those who are unable to attend the entire conference, there are one-day registrations to reduce your costs and to accommodate your busy life.

This year's featured speakers offer messages that will renew your spirit, enrich your practice, and create harmony in your life. Our 18 breakout sessions cover topics of value to every level of interest and experience. The time you share interacting with your peers from around the country will be among your most rewarding memories.

Last year more than 450 attended NGA's Conference on Guardianship. We look forward to having you with us in 2008.

Madeleine Sharko, Esq., RG
Conference Chair
Chicago, IL

Steven Fields, Esq.
NGA President
Fort Worth, TX

The National Guardianship Association

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Staying In Tune Means Staying In Touch

Network At NGA's Conference with:

- Professional, Volunteer and Family Guardians
- Attorneys
- Social Workers
- Case and Care Workers
- Public and Private Fiduciaries
- Discharge Planners
- Bank Trust Officers
- Representative Payees
- Judges
- Court Staff
- Other professionals interested in guardianship and surrogate decision-making issues

Get a Mental Tune-up in Music City USA

Everyone has heard of Music City USA and Nashville's reputation is well earned. Our host city has been:

- Listed by Travel Writer Everett Potter as a top "affordable city getaway."
- Named America's Friendliest City by *Travel and Leisure*
- Selected Fourth Best American City for Holiday Travel and Culture.

You'll find so much to see and do, with a multitude of outstanding attractions, events, tours, shopping, restaurants, and live entertainment, that NGA's Conference could just be a great start to an extended vacation.

As our meeting helps you tune into the best and newest in guardianship, you'll find Nashville is also a wonderful atmosphere to tune out and relax. And, to top it off, there's all that great music!

Our Nashville connections say: "Without music, you could never march to a different beat. Without music, life itself would be lifeless. Without music, meetings would be just a lot of talk." Music City promises this NGA Conference will be a memorable event.

We'll be visiting during the fall, a celebrated time throughout Tennessee. Visitors come from all over to see the annual changing of the leaves in mid-October. Days are warm and pleasant. Evenings require a sweater or light jacket. Since the weather is changeable, layered clothing is a good idea to accommodate sunny days and cooler nights. As you plan your wardrobe, remember to consider the variations in meeting room temperatures if you are often too cool or too warm.

Strike the Right Note Plan Your Visit Using:

www.visitmusiccity.com

Sheraton Nashville Downtown

623 Union Street
Nashville, TN 37219
Phone: 615-259-2000 or 800-447-9825
www.sheraton.com/nashvilledowntown

Centrally located in the heart of "Music City, USA", the Sheraton Nashville Downtown Hotel is a AAA four-diamond, atrium-style, full-service hotel. You'll be just blocks from the Sommet Center, as well as within easy walking distance of the historic district, the Financial District, and LP Field - home of the Titans.

Group Rate Deadline is Monday, September 1, 2008

The Group Discounted Room Rate is $160 + 15.25% tax For single or double occupancy. ($180+ triple/$190+ quad)

Reservations by Phone: Call Direct at 615-259-2000 (General reservations is 800-447-9825.)You must identify yourself using the group code NGA to obtain the group rate. It is important that you indicate any special rooming needs or arrangements at the time of this call.

Online Reservations: When making online reservations you must use the special NGA reservation form at:
www.starwoodmeeting.com/Book/NGA2008

Important Information: Room availability extends until NGA's block is full or September 1, whichever comes first. Rooms are reserved on a first come/first served basis, so NGA's block may fill before the September 1 deadline. NGA cannot guarantee room availability. Requests for reservations after September 1 will be accepted by the hotel on a space and rate available basis.

Hotel Policies: Check-in: 3:00 pm; Check-out: Noon. Reservations require a valid credit card number or one night's advance deposit to secure a room. Cancellations must be received 72 hours prior to arrival or one night's room and tax will be assessed. If check out occurs prior to your reserved check-out date, the hotel adds an early departure fee of $50 to your account, unless the hotel is notified of the change at or before check-in. This is a 100% non-smoking hotel. High speed Internet service is available in all guest rooms for an additional charge.

Transportation: Nashville International Airport (BNA) is 8 miles from the hotel. A taxi (one way) is approximately $25 and takes 15-20 minutes. There is also an airport shuttle service that can be picked up in the baggage area with a charge of $12 per person one way, $20 round trip.

Driving directions are on the hotel's website. Current parking garage prices for overnight guests are $20 daily for self-parking and $24 daily for valet parking, plus tax. The daily parking rate for non-guests is billed in half-hour increments with a maximum of $14.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 4, 2008 -- PRE-CONFERENCE EVENTS

Registration Area Open 7:00 am - 5:00 pm

PRE-CONFERENCE INTENSIVES

These sessions are not included in the Conference fee.
An additional fee applies to attend one of these programs.

The Fundamentals of Guardianship

Saturday, October 4 / 8:30 am - 3:30 pm
(Continental breakfast available 8:00 - 9:00 am; Lunch is on your own.)

Vicki Alkire, CPHQ, MG, CMC
Sarasota, FL

Sally B. Hurme, JD
Washington, DC

J.R. Rittenhouse, RG
Phoenix, AZ

Beth Upshaw Mathews, LSW, RG
Duluth, MN

Professional, public, and family guardians, as well as professionals working in a collateral capacity with guardians, will appreciate this opportunity to learn the fundamental responsibilities of a guardian of the person and the estate. The presenters will highlight NGA's publication: *The Fundamentals of Guardianship.*

NGA 2008 Legal Review

Saturday, October 4 / 8:30 am - 3:30 pm
(Continental breakfast available 8:00 - 9:00 am; Lunch is on your own.)

Moderator:
Terry W. Hammond, Esq., RG
NGA Executive Director and Creator of the NGA Legal Review
El Paso, TX

Panelists will include:
Donna A. Bashaw, Esq.
Laguna Hills, CA

Steven D. Fields, Esq. (NGA President)
Fort Worth, TX

Janet Lamb, Esq.
Nashville, TN

John H. Wank, Esq., RG
Chicago, IL

A panel of guardianship attorneys categorize and review the year's major U.S. guardianship cases under the following topics: pre-adjudication issues; choice of guardian; guardians' actions; fees for guardians and attorneys; rights of wards; capacity issues; power of attorney v. guardian conflicts; Medicaid/public benefits; end of life issues; guardian and fiduciary misconduct; post-adjudication issues; and multi-jurisdictional issues. This is an interactive session where attendees may ask questions and will hear from practitioners about how reported cases in their states have affected their practices.

Beware the Rush to Protect: Issues in Safety vs Autonomy

Saturday, October 4 / 8:30 am - 3:30 pm
(Continental breakfast available 8:00 - 9:00 am; Lunch is on your own.)

Katherine E. Goethe, PhD
San Antonio, TX

Martha E. Leatherman, MD
San Antonio, TX

Are we imprisoning our elders in order to keep them safe? This dynamic workshop will confront participants with the ethical questions inherent in using guardianship to protect elders. Actual cases will illustrate how autonomy can be inappropriately restricted. Participants will leave with tools to balance safety versus autonomy.

Review Courses and Certification Exams

(Separate Registration Required)

Review Courses are conducted by the National Guardianship Association

NGA will offer the national Certification Review Course prior to the Registered Guardian Certification Exam. Attendance at a review course is not required to take the exam, but is strongly recommended.

The Review Course is not part of the Conference and separate registration is required. The fee for the National Review Course including the Study Guide is $100. Download the registration form at www.guardianship.org. No state specific review courses will be offered.

NATIONAL REGISTERED GUARDIAN CERTIFICATION REVIEW COURSE
Saturday, October 4 / 8:30 am - 3:00 pm
Continental breakfast available 8:00 - 9:00 am
Lunch is on your own

Exams are administered by the Center for Guardianship Certification

The Center for Guardianship Certification (CGC) will offer the MG and RG exams in conjunction with the Conference. Separate registration with CGC is required to sit for any exam and all registrants MUST sign up 30 days prior to the exam. Download exam registration and payment forms at www.guardianshipcert.org. Direct exam questions to Lesley Richards, Certification Coordinator, at 717-238-4689.

MASTER GUARDIAN CERTIFICATION EXAM
Saturday, October 4 / 9:00 am - 4:00 pm
Continental breakfast available 8:00 - 9:00 am
Lunch is on your own

REGISTERED GUARDIAN CERTIFICATION EXAMS
Saturday, October 4 / 3:30 - 6:30 pm

Applicants may sit for the national RG exam or the TX, OR, or FL state specific certification exams during this testing period.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 4 - TUESDAY, OCTOBER 7, 2008
Our Conference Schedule in Nashville

4:30 - 5:30 pm
NGA Board of Directors Meeting

5:30 - 7:00 pm
Welcome Reception in Exhibit Area
(All Attendees Welcome)

7:00 - 8:30 am
Continental Breakfast

7:00 - 8:30 am
New Member and Approved Educator Breakfasts (By Invitation)

9:00 - 10:00 am
Keynote Presentation:
Renewing Our Commitment

Naomi Haines Griffith, MA, MSW
Nashville, TN

A presentation that offers encouragement to all who work to improve the quality of life for others. Everyone from new guardians to those seasoned with years of hard work will benefit from a realistic and confirming discussion of their roles in serving others.

10:00 - 10:30 am
Break / Visit with Exhibitors
Silent Auction Opens

10:30 - 11:45 am
Three Concurrent Breakout Sessions

Breakout Option 1
Risk Management for Fiduciaries

Lawrence D. Hilton, Alpine, UT

This session will address risk avoidance, reduction and transfer strategies recommended for fiduciaries. Through hypotheticals, participants will consider 'best practices' approaches to the real life challenges they routinely face.

Breakout Option 2
Strategic Leadership of a Growth-Oriented Non-Profit Agency: The Volunteer Guardianship Experience

Anthony J. Serra, Esq.
Princeton, NJ

Volunteer Guardianship has enjoyed 10 successful years recruiting, training, & supervising court-appointed volunteers. The only such agency in our state, it is one of a few in the nation. Leadership & growth strategies will be shared.

Breakout Option 3
Dementia and Successful Communication: Its up to You

Kim Grier, RG
Atlanta, GA

Communicating with a person with dementia can be a challenge of understanding and being understood. When interacting with people with dementia, it is up to you to make the exchange successful. Learn skills that you can use immediately to ensure that you are doing all you can to communicate effectively with people with dementia.

Noon - 1:45 pm
Awards Luncheon and Annual Meeting

2:00 - 3:15 pm
Three Concurrent Breakout Sessions

Breakout Option 1
Sometimes You Just Can't Lip-Sync: An Ethical and Practical Approach to Guardianship Intervention through the Exploration of a Select Number of Case Studies

Elizabeth Hart
Dallas, TX

Myra Kirkland, LMSW
Blue Ridge, TX;

Patricia McArdle, LMSW
Dallas, TX;

Suzanne Thornberg, LBSW, RG
Dallas, TX

Margaret Webster, LMSW, RG
Dallas, TX

The on-going collaborative relationship between guardians, ad litems and court systems in finding resolutions to complex cases involving issues such as: sexuality, facility rules and rule breakers, end-of-life, amputations, sexually transmitted diseases, medical neglect, self-neglect and undue influence.

Breakout Option 2
Case and Estate Management Practices: Evaluate Today and Plan for Tomorrow

Marilyn R. Bessey
Sacramento, CA

Scott M. Sackett
Sacramento, CA

Presented by trained professionals who will assist you in evaluating your current practices and present the latest functionality that you may incorporate into your office as you move into the future.

Breakout Option 3
Managing a Large Guardianship Program

Patricia L. Kaufman, RG
New York, NY

Running an efficient, multidiscipline guardianship office: how is this best accomplished? Discussion will explore different models, encompassing the extra challenge when the number of cases is large (>100), and when the number of offices might be more than one.

3:15 - 3:45 pm
Break / Visit with Exhibitors

3:45 - 5:00 pm
Three Concurrent Breakout Sessions

Breakout Option 1
Guardianship of Foreign Citizens and Guardianship Across International Borders

Kathryn Craven, Esq.
Ft. Worth, TX

International guardianship of person or estate: where to start, what to consider, laws and culture issues, and who/what are my resources.

Breakout Option 2
Maintaining Eligibility for Medicaid & SSI and Avoiding Disqualifying Transfers

William Chaussee, RG
Bismark, ND

Sonia Burgos Crannage, Esq.
Stony Point, NY

John S. Kitchen, Esq.
Bedford, NH

People with disabilities need Medicaid and SSI but eligibility can be lost due to mistakes. Learn how to avoid mistakes and correct those that have been made.

Breakout Option 3
Certification of Guardians in Texas: One Year Later

Lesley Martin Ondrechen
Austin, TX

An overview of the certification process in Texas, including legislative history and policies, standards and rules adopted: What we've done right, what could use improvement, and what we hope to accomplish over the next few years.

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Sunday, Oct. 5 - continued

6:30 - 7:30 pm
Reception with Exhibitors

7:30 pm - 10:00 pm

Gala Banquet

With the Annual Live Auction
and
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MONDAY, Oct. 6

7:00 - 8:30 am
Continental Breakfast/
Visit with Exhibitors

7:00 - 8:30 am
State Affiliates Breakfast (By invitation)

8:30 - 10:00 am
Three Concurrent Breakout Options

Breakout Option 1
Be Careful What You Ask For: A Look at the Authority of the Conservator for Individuals with Mental Retardation in Tennessee

William Barrick, Esq.
Carthage, TN

John T. Johnson, PhD
Greenville, TN

An introspective look at conservator authority for people with developmental disabilities in Tennessee (applicable in other states) based on 20 years of experience as corporate conservator; limited vs. full conservatorship and the changed role of the conservator; placement, medical treatment, end-of-life, contractual, safety and restrictive issues; rights vs. protection.

Breakout Option 2
Raising the Bar: Transforming Long-Term Care into LifeLong Living Environments

David Seaton
Manchaca, TX

More than 20 million individuals in the U.S. require life-long support due to cognitive disabilities present at birth or resulting from injury, illness or aging. This presentation is based on the belief that people are capable of continued personal growth, regardless of their cognitive or mental abilities, within a de-institutional, person-centered living environment.

Breakout Option 3
Show me the Numbers: The Quest for Guardianship Data

Dr. Linda Anngela, MSW
Reno, NV

Terry Hammond, Esq., RG
El Paso, TX

Dr. Gloria Svare, LCSW
Reno, NV

Jeanne Wendel
Reno, NV

Erica Wood, JD
Washington, DC

The number of adults under guardianship in the U.S. is unknown. Learn why it is so important to uncover this elusive number, why it is so difficult, what can be done, and how it affects you.

10:00 - 10:30 am
Break / Visit with Exhibitors

10:30 am - Noon
General Session Featured Presentation:
Preserving the Rights of Wards: Helping Guardians to Do the Right Thing

Ira Salzman, Esq.
New York, NY

Our speaker was the lead attorney in litigation to protect the rights of wards that attracted national attention and has been called as an expert witness on these issues before the U.S. Senate Committee on Aging. He has had an impact on national legislation and the cases he will review have changed judicial practice and state regulations. His vision and experience provide a broad overview on rights issues.

Noon - 1:00 pm
Lunch with Special Presentation
The Road to Hong Kong - 3 Years That Changed Our Lives Forever

Ted and Amelia Ong
Vista, CA

When Ted and Amelia were called to supervise 150 missionaries in Hong Kong they had no idea the lessons they would learn. Share the secrets they learned to be happier and more productive.

1:00 - 1:45 pm
Dessert in The Exhibit Area

2:00 - 3:15 pm
Three Concurrent Breakout Sessions

Breakout Option 1
Surrogate Decision Making with the Aging Client

Keith Klovee-Smith
Olympia, WA

Feel caught in the middle of someone else's fight? Understand the often conflicting roles of surrogate decision makers. Learn to recognize the inherent tension in care situations with surrogates. Gain skills to mitigate negative effects for clients.

Breakout Option 2
Considering and Implementing the Gold Standards of Public Guardianship Practice

Winsor C. Schmidt, JD., LL.M
Spokane, WA

Pamela B. Teaster, PhD
Lexington, KY

Erica Wood, JD
Washington, DC

The first national study of public guardianship in over 25 years is complete. Findings from the study resulted in gold standards for practice. This session seeks to promote discussion about them and their implementation.

Breakout Option 3
Access: Bridging Partnership through End-of-Life Care

Rhonda Price, RN, BSN
Nashville, TN

Shawn Wright, CMSW
Nashville, TN

This presentation will provide a comprehensive overview of end-of-life care highlighting benefits and challenges faced with managing a patient's healthcare.

3:15 - 3:45 pm
Break

3:45 - 5:00 pm
Three Concurrent Breakout Sessions

Breakout Option 1
The Determination of Capacity: Issues and Concepts

Richard O. Temple, PhD
Dripping Springs, TX

In this presentation, the multidimensional nature of capacity will be articulated, including the essential components of various skills, e.g., independent living, financial and medical decision making. The participant will also become familiar with how capacity is assessed and potentially remediated.

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Monday, Oct. 6 - continued

Breakout Option 2
Not Just Minding the Store, but Updating the Store to Protect the Ward's Estate

David C. Bakutis, JD
Ft. Worth, TX

R. Dyann McCully, JD, RG
Ft. Worth, TX

Joel T. Sawyer, JD
Ft. Worth, TX

Presently, many states offer great asset protection if businesses are organized as LLC's or LP's vs. corporations. While an incapacitated person will likely not act to commit a tort or other personal liability, if they own particular assets outright or in less desirable entities, then the guardianship estate could be subjected to liabilities that could easily be avoided.

Breakout Option 3
Guardianship Practices Challenges and Issues

Vicki Alkire, CPHQ, MG, CMC
Sarasota, FL

Sally Hurme, JD
Washington, DC

J.R. Rittenhouse, RG
Phoenix, AZ

Beth Upshaw Mathews, LSW, RG
Duluth, MN

Tried everything but can't find a solution? Can't figure what to do now? Get help from your colleagues. This interactive session provides an opportunity for experienced guardians and newcomers to share problems and accomplishments. Bring your case problems and ideas.

Open Evening
6:00 pm Optional "Dine Around"
Use this evening on your own or join friends and colleagues in a local dining adventure. We'll make reservations for groups at a variety of restaurants and you can sign up at the Conference for the dining experience of your preference.

6:30 pm
CGC Master Guardian Dinner
(By Invitation)

TUESDAY, Oct. 7

8:00 - 9:00 am
Continental Breakfast

9:00 - 11:00 am
Judges Panel

Hon. Maureen Connors
Chicago, IL

Hon. Joseph A. Egan, Jr.
Ridgefield, CT

Hon. Patrick W. Ferchill
Fort Worth, TX

Hon. Randy Kennedy
Nashville, TN

Magistrate Kelly C. Patton
Columbus, OH

These noted panelists from around the country discuss the latest guardianship and conservatorship issues.

11:00 - 11:15 am
Break

11:15 am - Noon
Closing Session Featured Presentation:
None Lost, None Least: Challenges of Being and Doing Guardianship – Regardless

Dr. Mary L. Milano
Chicago, IL

As the demands of guardianship as a profession continue to grow, the resources and support necessary to the role continue to diminish. As agencies, advocates, and professionals we are bounded by norms that stress individual rights – at least as long as individuals have power, and grant individual status to those who succeed in reaching power. What makes us become guardians and continue to serve in the roles we do? What is the vocation of the guardian for the long term? How does understanding it help us become that to which we aspire? And what difference does any of that make to our constituencies and clients?

Noon Conference Concludes
(Lunch is on your own)

Our Exhibitors

Exhibitors are expecting to create another learning opportunity for you and they will be prepared for your questions. You'll have plenty of opportunities to network and learn in the Exhibit Area. **Exhibitor List Updated Weekly: www.guardianship.org**

Continuing Education Credits

This Conference program potentially has a total of 18.5 credit hours (Saturday 5.5 hours; Sunday 4.75 hours; Monday 5.5 hours; & Tuesday 2.75 hours.) Because each accrediting body must approve the program prior to assigning credits, the specific number of credits accepted by each state and for each type of credit will not be definite until October. Keep in mind that not all hours will be deemed acceptable for all types of credit. Questions about continuing education credits can be sent to Kelly Dolan at Kelly@heusergroup.com or contact NGA's business office at 877-326-5992.

Generic Certificate of Attendance

This year, NGA will include a generic certificate of attendance in the Conference Packet AT NO COST TO ATTENDEES. This certificate can be used to verify your attendance for recertification credits from the Center for Guardianship Certification or any other agency to which you apply on your own for some type of recertification credits. However, if you want specific certificates of attendance for PRE-APPROVED state-specific guardianship, legal, or social work credits, you will still need to pay a fee for that specific certificate.

While all attendees will receive the generic certificate of attendance AT NO COST, fees for the specialized certificates apply based in part on the amount NGA must pay to have the sessions accredited. Fees may be paid in advance by completing the Certificate Order form found on the website and included with this brochure.

State Specific Guardianship Credits

NGA will apply for guardianship credits with the Florida Public Guardianship Office, Professional Guardian Certification Board of Washington State, Professional Fiduciary Association of California, and Texas Guardianship Association. For a specific certificate documenting the PRE-APPROVED State Specific Guardianship credits in these states, a fee will be required. (See Certificate order form for fees.)

Continuing Legal Education Credits

NGA will seek approval of Conference sessions for Continuing Legal Education (CLE) credits in the NGA affiliate states of Alaska, California, Florida, Idaho, Illinois, Indiana, Kentucky, Minnesota, Missouri, Nevada, New Mexico, North Carolina, North Dakota, Ohio, Oregon, Texas, Virginia, and Wisconsin. We will also apply for Legal Credits from Tennessee and the surrounding non-affiliate states of Alabama, Arkansas, Georgia, Mississippi and South Carolina. For a specific certificate documenting the PRE-APPROVED legal credits in these states, a fee will be required. (See Certificate order form for fees.)

Social Work Credits

NGA applies for social work credits with the NASW and any states that do not accept NASW certification. For a specific certificate documenting the PRE-APPROVED social work credits, a fee will be required. (See Certificate order form for fees.)

Issuing of Certificates

To issue your certificate in a timely manner, NGA must receive your Attendance Sign in Sheets (which will be enclosed in the Conference Packet) before you leave the conference. Certificates are sent via email, if one is provided, or U.S. mail. All certificates ordered before the conference will be issued within 45 days after the conference. Attendees are urged to check their Conference Packets upon arrival to obtain the current Continuing Education information.

CERTIFICATE OF ATTENDANCE ORDER FORM

NGA Conference on Guardianship
Nashville, TN
Oct. 4-7, 2008

Please note that this year any person needing a Certificate of Attendance for the Center for Guardianship Certification, or for any other state verification that has not been pre-approved, WILL NOT need to purchase a certificate.
A Generic Certificate of Attendance will be provided to you in your Onsite Conference Packet.

☑	Certificate Type	Certificate Use	Fee for Certificate
	Guardianship	California, Florida, Texas or Washington	$25.00
	Legal	Specific States Pre-approved for Credit, AL, AK, AR, CA, FL, GA, ID, IL, IN, KY, MN, MO, MS, NV, NM, NC, ND, OH, OR, SC, TN, TX, VA, WI	$100.00
	Social Work	Certificate may be used for all states	$50.00

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Our Nashville Schedule At-a-Glance

Saturday, October 4

7:00 am - 5:00 pm	Registration Desk Open
8:30 am - 3:30 pm	Pre-Conference Intensives *The Fundamentals of Guardianship* *NGA Legal Review* *Beware the Rush to Protect*
8:30 am - 3:00 pm	NGA RG Review Course
9:00 am - 4:00 pm	Master Guardian Exam
3:30 pm - 6:30 pm	Registered Guardian Exams
4:30 pm - 5:30 pm	NGA Board of Directors Meeting
5:30 pm - 7:00 pm	Conference Welcome Reception

Sunday, October 5

7:00 am - 5:00 pm	Registration Desk Open
7:00 am - 8:30 am	Continental Breakfast
7:00 am - 8:30 am	Approved Educator Breakfast
7:00 am - 8:30 am	New Member Breakfast
9:00 am - 10:00 am	Keynote Presentation: *Renewing Our Commitment* Naomi Haines Griffith, MA, MSW
10:00 am - 10:30 am	Break/Visit with Exhibitors
10:30 am - 11:45 am	Breakout Sessions *Risk Management for Fiduciaries* *Leadership of a Growth Oriented Non-Profit* *Dementia and Successful Communication*
Noon - 1:45 pm	Awards Luncheon/Annual Meeting
2:00 pm - 3:15 pm	Breakout Sessions *Sometimes You Just Can't Lip-Sync* *Case and Estate Management Practices* *Managing a Large Guardianship Program*
3:15 pm - 3:45 pm	Break/Visit with Exhibitors
3:45 pm - 5:00 pm	Breakout Sessions *Guardianship of Foreign Citizens* *Maintaining Eligibility for Medicaid & SSI* *Certification of Guardians in Texas*
6:30 pm - 7:30 pm	Reception with Exhibitors
7:30 pm - 10:00 pm	Gala Banquet Live Auction and Entertainment

Monday, October 6

7:00 am - 5:00 pm	Registration Desk Open
7:00 am - 8:30 am	Continental Breakfast with Exhibitors
7:00 am - 8:30 am	State Affiliates Breakfast
8:30 am - 10:00 am	Breakout Sessions *Be Careful What You Ask For* *Raising the Bar* *Show Me the Numbers*
10:00 am - 10:30 am	Break/Visit with Exhibitors
10:30 am - Noon	General Session Featured Speaker *Preserving the Rights of Wards* Ira Salzman, Esq.
Noon - 1:00 pm	Lunch with Presentation *The Road to Hong Kong* Ted and Amelia Ong
1:00 pm - 1:45 pm	Dessert with Exhibitors
2:00 pm - 3:15 pm	Breakout Sessions *Surrogate Decision Making with the Aging Client* *Gold Standards of Public Guardianship* *Bridging Partnership through End-of-Life Care*
3:15 pm - 3:45 pm	Break
3:45 pm - 5:00 pm	Breakout Sessions *The Determination of Capacity* *Protect the Ward's Estate* *Guardianship Practice Challenges and Issues*
Open Evening	Optional Dine Around
6:30 pm	CGC Master Guardian Dinner

Tuesday, October 7

7:00 am - 9:00 am	Registration Desk Open
8:00 am - 9:00 am	Continental Breakfast
9:00 am - 11:00 am	Judges Panel
11:00 am - 11:15 am	Break
11:15 am - Noon	Closing Session Featured Speaker *Challenges of Being and Doing Guardianship* Dr. Mary L. Milano
Noon	Conference Concludes Lunch is on Your Own

IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

September 1 - Early Bird Registration Discount Ends
September 1 - Hotel Room Discounts End at the Sheraton Nashville Downtown (*Block could fill before this date*)
September 26 - Last Day to Receive a Refund for Cancellation of Registration