

AMERICAN COUNCIL OF CHIEF DEFENDERS

“Expanding Our Strategic Alliances”

Spring Meeting
April 3 – 5
2006
Washington, DC

National Legal Aid & Defender Association
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Strategic alliances are a foundational building block for addressing the complex issues defenders face – in the criminal justice system, in our communities, and in the political arena. Developing such partnerships is not always easy; but when it is done well, it produces mutual benefits and powerful results. Join the ACCD in the nation’s capital as we explore and expand our strategic alliances:

- Learn how we, as public defenders, can succeed in coalition-building to advance our mission and effect social change
- Discover an effective framework for thinking about collaboration, and gain practical guidance for designing more productive relationships
- Reinvigorate your efforts to develop productive alliances in your own communities
- Contribute to the continued growth of the ACCD as we create new partnerships at the national level

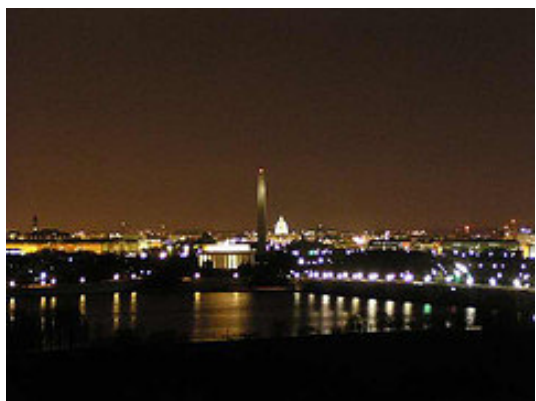


Who Should Attend?

Any and all **Chief Public Defenders (or their appointed deputies) of statewide or county-based public defender, contract, and assigned counsel systems** may attend.

Agenda and Other Conference Material

A *tentative short agenda* is included below. Visit <http://www.nlada.org/Defender> and follow the links to the “ACCD Meetings” page for conference materials and latest agenda.



Sunday, April 2

7pm “Dutch treat” group dinner for early arrivals, gather in lobby

Monday, April 3

10am ACCD Business Meeting

12-2:30 Working Lunch: committee meetings

2:30-3 Afternoon Break

3-5pm “Expanding Our Strategic Alliances” – leadership training and facilitated discussion

Tuesday, April 4

9 – 5 ACCD meetings with strategic allies and potential national partners

Wednesday, April 5

9 – 5 Optional Capitol Hill Visits

All agenda sessions and times are subject to change. Contact Angel Lewis, interim resource coordinator, with questions regarding any conference materials at (202) 452-0620 x236 or a.lewis@nlada.org.

Conference Hotel

The Washington Court Hotel
525 New Jersey Avenue, NW
Washington DC 20001
Phone: (202) 628-2100
Fax: (202) 879-7918
Toll Free: (800) 321-3010



The Washington Court Hotel is located in the heart of the distinctive Capitol Hill neighborhood only 3 blocks from the U.S. Capitol and 2 blocks from Union Station! NLADA conference attendees staying at the Washington Court Hotel will receive a special discounted room rate of \$199.00 single or double per night, exclusive of taxes and incidental expenses. **The deadline for reservations is March 3, 2006.** After that date, requests for reservations will be accepted on a space and rate availability basis. All reservations must be guaranteed with a credit card or deposit. Be sure to inform the reservations agent that you are with **NLADA** to secure the discounted rate.

Registration Fees

Registration fees vary per membership category (please see registration form), and include coffee in the mornings and lunch on Monday.

For More Information

For more information on the substance of the conference, please contact Catherine Beane, interim director of Defender Legal Services, by phone at (202) 452-0620 x226 or by email at c.beane@nlada.org.

A national community of public defense leaders, the **American Council of Chief Defenders** is dedicated to securing a fair justice system and ensuring high quality legal representation for people facing loss of life, freedom or family. As a section of NLADA, the mission of the ACCD is to provide tools, strategies, mutual support, training and information to chief defenders; to speak as a national voice for public defense; to promote best practices in the leadership, management, and administration of justice; and to support development and reform of public defense systems.

The ACCD meets three times each year. This year the ACCD will hold:

- a spring meeting in Washington, DC;
- a summer meeting to be held August 24-26, 2006, in Las Vegas, Nevada, in conjunction with NLADA's "New Leadership" program; and
- a fall meeting at the NLADA Annual Conference, to be held in Charlotte, NC, November 8 – 11, 2006.

Members are encouraged to join one of the section's four committees. The committee system is crucial to the function of the ACCD and its mission, working with NLADA Defender Legal Services staff to fulfill the goals and priorities of the ACCD strategic plan. Learn more at http://www.nlada.org/Defender/Defender_ACCD/ACCD_Committees.

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REGISTRATION FORM

The Washington Court Hotel
April 3-5, 2006, Washington, DC

Please complete one registration form for each participant and return the registration form with your check payable to NLADA or credit card information (MasterCard or Visa only) to: ACCD NLADA, 1140 Connecticut Avenue, NW, Suite 900, Washington, DC 20036, Fax: (202) 872-1031. Please be aware of the registration fee cut-off dates as indicated on the registration form. If you have any questions about registration, contact Angel Lewis at a.lewis@nlada.org or (202) 452-0620 ext. 236.

Name: _____ E-Mail: _____

Title: _____

Organization: _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Telephone: (_____) _____ Fax: (_____) _____

REGISTRATION FEES:

March 3

after Mar. 3

NLADA Program and Chief Members:

\$190 early

\$205 regular

Please include your program identification number _____ . If you need to verify this number, please call NLADA's Member Services at 202-452-0620, ext. 234.

Individual Members:

\$210 early

\$225 regular

Non Members:

\$255 early

\$280 regular

SPECIAL NEEDS: Mobility Audio/Visual Disability Other _____

PAYMENT: Check enclosed, made payable to NLADA MasterCard Visa

Credit Card # _____ / _____ / _____ / _____ Expiration Date _____ / _____

Signature _____ Name on Card _____

Purchase Orders

Purchase Orders must include a contact name and contact information regarding the appropriate accounting or finance department that will process the payment. Please complete the following:

Name _____

Phone _____

E-Mail _____

Cancellation Policy

Registration cancellations must be received in writing no later than March 31. Cancellations, transfers and refunds are subject to a \$50 administrative charge. After March 31, registrations are transferable but not refundable. Transfer requests must be received

within 30 days after the conference to be considered. Transfers must be applied to another ACCD event scheduled prior to December 31, 2007 or will be forfeited. Substitutions may be made at any time with written notification of the NLADA Defender Division.

Responsibility

The National Legal Aid & Defender Association acts only as an agent for conferees in all matters regarding hotel accommodations and transportation. NLADA contracts with reputable independent contractors and suppliers known to provide the service offered in this announcement. NLADA is not responsible for any inconvenience, loss, injury, or damage from any cause whatsoever in conjunction with these services. If necessary, NLADA reserves the right to cancel or change the services described herein.