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## **Top Reasons to Attend NLADA Training or Professional Development**

### **1. SPEAKERS**

Throughout NLADA's 100 years, NLADA trainings and conferences have featured presentations by leaders within the equal justice communities.

### **2. CUTTING EDGE CURRICULUM**

Each year NLADA values, considers, and implements the feedback from our participants to design cutting edge sessions that will resonate with the civil legal aid, indigent criminal defense, and legal service stakeholder communities.

### **3. NETWORKING**

Each training/conference has unique opportunities to network with peers to share best practices and exchange ideas.

### **4. AFFORDABLE REGISTRATION**

NLADA recognizes that professional development/training for many in the legal aid community can cause financial strain. Each year, NLADA trainings are an outstanding value by using the most affordable hotel locations, and offering reasonable registration fees.

### **5. CONTINUING LEGAL EDUCATION UNITS**

Each training offered by NLADA allows participants to obtain CLE and other continuing education credits for professionals.

### **6. GUEST FEEDBACK**

NLADA receives positive feedback from our members and guests after our trainings.



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## Guest Feedback

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*I really enjoyed the 2011 Life in the balance conference and I learned a lot. I wanted to let you know about a couple of presenters who's sessions I found to be especially helpful. Mark Cunningham was excellent, as always, but I have seen him before in sessions and in testimony. I had never seen James Garbarino or Mic Hunter speak before and I found them to be exceptionally knowledgeable and inspiring...*

*I also want to thank you each for making me feel like such a part of the NLADA family every time I get to spend time at an event. I am always energized by the work that you are doing and your encouragement keeps me forging ahead with all of the work that needs to be done to help our clients. I know the defender section of NLADA is small and that resources are scarce, so your efforts are even more heroic....*

*I think the whole conference was really well run and full of new courses and interesting interactions. I would particularly highlight the excellent organization by Melva and Karl and the whole "behind the scenes" team. And the Mardi Gras theme for the welcome event was really fun...*

*I've been following Bryan Stevenson around since the 1980's, and have heard him introduced many, many times Jo-Ann Wallace, CEO, NLADA introduction of him was by far, the most comprehensive, accurate, perfectly and beautifully crafted and perceptive tribute I've ever heard, and your keenly expressed insight also conveyed how those of us who are emotionally connected to this work feel about it and feel about Bryan...*

*I wanted to thank Melva and Karl both for the wonderful 2011 Life in the Balance conference. It was my first one and I was very impressed. .. The speakers you had for the plenary session at the 2011 Life in the Balance s were excellent, and I enjoyed most of the classes as well. I have been to four capital seminars now, two put on by the feds, and yours has been the best one...*