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**Seattle Paralegal Elected Vice President and Director of
Profession Development for the National Federation of Paralegal
Associations**



Indianapolis, IN, October 2019 - The National Federation of Paralegal Associations, Inc. (NFPA®) is pleased to announce that Theda Yandell, RP®, of Seattle, Washington has been elected Vice President and Director of Profession Development for the term 2019-2021. The elections were held at NFPA's Annual Convention in Rochester, New York on October 12, 2019.

Yandell has been a litigation paralegal at Forsberg & Umlauf, P.S., a litigation defense firm, since 2000 and is the firm's Paralegal Coordinator. As the Coordinator, she manages workflow, reviews resumes, interviews prospective paralegals, organizes educational seminars and researches avenues to increase office productivity. She has over 30 years of experience as a litigation paralegal in the areas of personal injury, premise liability, property damage, product liability, complex litigation and malpractice cases. She has extensive trial experience having participated in many trials during her career and has presented CLEs on trial preparation. Yandell received an Associate of Arts degree and an Associate of Arts and Sciences degree, Legal Assistance from Highline College, an American Bar Association accredited paralegal program. She also is a member of the Highline College Paralegal Program Advisory Board and volunteers at the King County Bar Association Kent Legal Clinic as the clinic coordinator and clinic assistant.

Yandell previously served on the Washington State Paralegal Association (WSPA) and NFPA Board of Directors. She has served significant hours to various volunteer positions, including WSPA President, Vice President, and Seattle Chapter Director. She was the NFPA Region I Director from 2009-2014 and has volunteered in coordinator roles for NFPA and WSPA including Co-Coordinator of the 2018 NFPA Annual Convention and Policy Meeting. In 2018, Yandell received NFPA's Paralegal of the Year Award for her on-the-job achievements and contributions to the paralegal profession.

The Vice President and Director of Profession Development will assist the President in addressing the future growth and expansion of the profession and the development of NFPA to support these changes. If the President is incapable of functioning, the Vice President and Director of Profession Development will assume the duties of the President.



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