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Florida Paralegal Elected Director of Paralegal Certification for the National Federation of Paralegal Associations, Inc.



Minneapolis, MN, November 2020 – The National Federation of Paralegal Associations, Inc. (NFPA®) is pleased to announce that Lisa Vessels, RP®, CP®, of Miami, Florida, has been elected as Director of Paralegal Certification for the 2020-2022 term. NFPA's elections are held at its Annual Convention and Policy Meeting.

Lisa Vessels, RP®, CP®, is employed by Duane Morris LLP managing the docketing function for her firm's U.S. offices. Lisa has worked in the paralegal profession since 1992 with experience in commercial litigation, corporate contract law, and commercial aviation equipment leasing and sales.

Lisa is a former two-term President of the South Florida Paralegal Association and the Florida Alliance of Paralegal Associations. As an active member in both organizations, she has served in many additional roles such as Webmaster, Treasurer, Secretary, and Membership Chair since joining in 2005.

Lisa served on Miami-Dade College's Paralegal Studies Program Advisory Board from 2006 to 2012, serving as chairperson from 2010-12. She has served four three-year terms as a non-lawyer member of The Florida Bar's Unlicensed Practice of Law Committee for the 11th Circuit in Miami-Dade County, and is currently serving one of the Florida Bar's Florida Registered Paralegal Disciplinary Committees. She was an adjunct instructor at Florida International University's Paralegal Studies certificate program from 2006 to 2008.

Lisa served as NFPA's Regulation Review Coordinator from November 2009 until September 2012, and was an active participant on the PCC Exam Development Committee from its inception in 2008 through its launch in 2011. In 2012, she was elected as NFPA's Vice President and Director of Positions and Issues, and 2014, she



was elected as NFPA's President. From 2016-2018 she served in the role of NFPA's Board Advisor.

Lisa earned her Bachelor's degree in Paralegal Studies from Nova Southeastern University in 2005, and Associate's degrees in Computer Information Systems and Computer Programming (Visual Basic) from Miami Dade College in 2002. Lisa earned the Certified Paralegal® designation in September 2005, earned the PACE® Registered Paralegal designation in September 2012, and held the Florida Registered Paralegal registration of The Florida Bar from 2008 to 2018.

NFPA is a non-profit professional organization representing more than 8,000 paralegals and is headquartered in Minneapolis, Minnesota. NFPA's core purpose is the advancement of the paralegal profession and promotes a global presence for the paralegal profession and leadership in the legal community.

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