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**Colorado Paralegal Elected Secretary and Director of Operations for the
National Federation of Paralegal Associations**



Indianapolis, IN, January 2019 - The National Federation of Paralegal Associations, Inc. (NFPA) is pleased to announce that Mianne L. Besser has been elected to the position of Secretary and Director of Operations for the 2018-2020 term. The elections were held at NFPA's Annual Convention in Seattle, Washington on October 27, 2018.

Mianne L. Besser is a Corporate Paralegal for Whiting Petroleum Corporation where she contributes her 22 years of experience. Ms. Besser received her BA in Management and Business Administration from the University of Phoenix and received a paralegal certificate from the Denver Paralegal Institute, an ABA-approved program.

Prior to being elected as Secretary and Director of Operations, Ms. Besser served three consecutive years as NFPA Region Director, Region II (2015 – 2018). She also served as Chair of the State of the Paralegal Profession Committee (2013 – 2015) and a member of the Budget Committee (2007 – 2015) and Special Projects Coordinator (2011 – 2012). Prior to her involvement with NFPA, locally, Ms. Besser served in a variety of positions for the Rocky Mountain Paralegal Association (RMPA), including two non-consecutive terms as President (2007 – 2010 and 2012 – 2015). She also served as President-elect, Board Advisor, NFPA Primary Representative, NFPA Secondary Representative, Director-at-Large and Editor. She is also a member of the American Bar Association, Colorado Association of Litigation Support Professionals and Women in eDiscovery.

Ms. Besser is a CLE speaker at events hosted by NFPA and RMPA. She is also a Faculty Member of the Institute for Paralegal Education (IPE). She has been interviewed for her perspective on the paralegal profession by LawCrossing.com, Paralegal411.com, CareersandLiberty.com, Andrew Morkes, Laurel Vietzen, TheParalegalMentor and PracticalParalegalism. She has authored, or co-authored, articles which were printed in the National Paralegal Reporter and Trial Talk (Colorado Trial Lawyers Association). While serving as NFPA's Special Projects Coordinator, she wrote two articles, "Legal Process Outsourcing" and "Ethical Considerations for Paralegals and Social Media."



Ms. Besser's community service and awards include: Community College of Aurora, Paralegal Advisory Committee Member (2008 to present); NFPA Outstanding Local Leadership Award (2012); Paralegal Gateway Paralegal Superstar (2011); Adjunct Instructor of Paralegal Studies, Community College of Aurora (2012 – 2013); Adjunct Instructor of Paralegal Studies, Kaplan College (2009 – 2010); Colorado Bar Association, Paralegal Committee (2007 to 2015 [Committee sunsetted]); and Colorado Trial Lawyers Association, Legal Staff Member (2003 to 2015) and Chair (2007 to 2014). Ms. Besser has served as a coordinator for many planned giving events benefitting many organizations including The Gathering Place, Volunteers for Outdoor Colorado, Bears on Patrol, and Free the Girls.

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

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