

The Indiana Prosecuting Attorneys Council cordially invites you to attend this multi-disciplinary conference on behalf of the **Adult Protective Services** and the **Elder Law Section of the Indiana State Bar Association**

# Respect Our Elders - Working Together to Stop Abuse

- Approximately 90% of abusers are family members - most often adult children, spouses, partners and others.
- 1 in 14 cases of elder abuse are never reported to the authorities.
- There are over 5.1 million elders over 65 with some type of dementia and of those, 50% experience some kind of abuse.
- It is estimated that \$5.3 billion + is added to the nations annual health expenditures due to direct medical costs associated with violent injuries to older adults.
- It is estimated that in 2009 \$2.9 billion was the annual financial loss by older victims of financial exploitation; a 12% increase from 2008.

**Indiana Adult Protective Services received 39,847 reports of abuse, neglect and exploitation of adults in 2013; 41 full time equivalent investigators handled over 10,000 cases during that time period.**

**September 18, 2014**

**Crowne Plaza - Indianapolis Airport**

2501 S. High School Rd., Indianapolis, IN 46241

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## Agenda

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- 7:30 - 8:30 a.m. **Registration with a Continental Breakfast Provided**
- 8:30 - 8:45 a.m. **Opening Remarks**  
Chris Gaal, J.D., Monroe Co. Prosecuting Attorney  
Patrick Harrington, J.D., Tippecanoe Co. Prosecuting Attorney  
James Dimos, J.D., President, Indiana State Bar Association, Frost Brown Todd, LLC
- 8:45 - 9:00 a.m. **What Do We Know About Elder Abuse in Indiana?**
- 9:00 - 10:00 a.m. **Defining Roles**  
Many entities become involved when an elder is endangered, but who can do what? This presentation will help clarify the roles of the key stakeholders.
- 10:00 - 10:15 a.m. **Break**
- 10:15 - 11:30 a.m. **Fitting the Pieces Together to Assist Endangered Adults**  
Panel Discussion - Stakeholder representatives will describe their entity's response to a variety of hypothetical scenarios.
- 11:30 - 12:30 p.m. **Luncheon**
- 12:30 - 1:30 p.m. **Break Out #1**  
**Warning Signs a Guardianship is Needed**  
Panel Discussion: Dennis Frick, J.D.; Mary Hoeller, J.D.; Jane Null, J.D.  
**Elder Abuse 101 for Case Managers (Part 1)**  
Speaker: TBA  
**Investigation and Prosecution of Elder Abuse (Part 1)**  
Speaker: Paul Greenwood, J.D., San Diego County (CA) Deputy District Attorney  
**A National Perspective on Preventing Elder Abuse**  
Speaker: William F. Benson, National Adult Protective Services Assn. National Policy Advisor
- 1:35 - 2:35 p.m. **Break Out #2**  
**How to Set Up a Guardianship**  
Speaker: H. Kennard Bennett, J.D.  
**Elder Abuse 101 for Case Managers (Part 2)**  
Speaker: TBA  
**Money Smarts for Older Adults**  
Speaker: Patrick Harrington, J.D., Tippecanoe Co. Prosecuting Attorney  
**Investigation and Prosecution of Elder Abuse (Part 2)**  
Speaker: Paul Greenwood, J.D., San Diego County (CA) Deputy District Attorney
- 2:40 - 3:40 p.m. **Break Out #3**  
**Recognizing Abuse and Neglect in Your Clients**  
Speaker: Karen Richards, J.D., Allen Co. Prosecuting Attorney  
**Supreme Court - Adult Guardianship Office**  
Speaker: Erica Costello, J.D.  
**Preventing Abuse and Neglect - Community Approaches from Monroe County**  
Speaker: Chris Gaal, J.D., Monroe Co. Prosecuting Attorney  
**Investigation and Prosecuting of Elder Abuse (Part 3)**  
Speaker: Paul Greenwood, J.D., San Diego County (CA) Deputy District Attorney
- 3:45 - 4:15 p.m. **Federal Funding Initiatives**  
Speaker: William F. Benson, National Adult Protective Services Assn. National Policy Advisor

We are pleased to announce that our conference is at no cost to our attendees. If you are no longer able to attend, please be sure to send an email to cancel prior to September 13th - Thank you.

## Respect Our Elders - Working Together to Stop Abuse Registration

Last Name:  First Name:  M.I.:

Name to Appear on Name Tag:  Attorney Number:

Agency:  Title:

Address:

City:  State:  Zip:  County of Employment:

Email Address:

\*Conference communication and materials will be sent through email. Please ensure that you provide a working email that you check regularly.

**Thursday, September 18, 2014**

**Check box if attending the Luncheon**

Please choose 1 from each of the 3 breakout sessions listed below.

### BREAKOUT #1

**Warning Signs a Guardianship is Needed**  
*Panel Discussion*  
Dennis Frick, J.D.  
Mary Hoeller, J.D.  
Jane Null, J.D.

**Elder Abuse 101 for Case Managers (Part I)**

**A National Perspective on Preventing Elder Abuse**  
*Bill Benson, National Policy Advisor, National Adult Protective Services Association*

**Investigation and Prosecution of Elder Abuse (Part 1)**  
*Paul Greenwood, J.D., Deputy District Attorney, San Diego County, California*

### BREAKOUT #2

**How to Set Up a Guardianship**  
*H. Kennard Bennett, J.D.*

**Elder Abuse 101 for Case Managers (Part II)**

**Money Smart for Older Adults**  
*Pat Harrington, J.D., Tippecanoe Prosecuting Attorney*

**Investigation and Prosecution of Elder Abuse (Part II)**  
*Paul Greenwood, J.D., Deputy District Attorney, San Diego County, California*

**Please Return by September 13, 2014 to:**  
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### BREAKOUT #3

**Recognizing Abuse and Neglect in your Clients.**  
*Karen Richards, J.D., Allen County Prosecuting Attorney*

**Supreme Court - Adult Guardianship Office**  
*Erica Costello, J.D.*

**Preventing Abuse and Neglect-Community Approaches from Monroe County**  
*Chris Gaal, J.D., Monroe County Prosecuting Attorney*

**Investigation and Prosecution of Elder Abuse (Part III)**  
*Paul Greenwood, J.D., Deputy District Attorney, San Diego County, California*

Register online at: <http://www.in.gov/ipac/2332.htm> - IPAC Training

## Speakers

### **William F. Benson**

In a 36-year career that focuses on aging and health, William F. Benson played a major role in amendments to the Older Americans Act, nursing home reform legislation, Medicare and Medicaid provisions and was deputy assistant secretary for aging at the federal Health and Human Services Administration on Aging. As a founder of an independent consulting practice that specializes in aging and health policy and services, Mr. Benson works with the National Adult Protective Services Association, the American Society on Aging, the Population Association of America, the Institute for Health and Aging at the University of California (San Francisco), the Maryland Department of Aging, the New York State Office for the Aging and the Florida Department of Elder Affairs.

### **Paul Greenwood, J.D.**

An international champion for the elderly and abused, Investigation and Prosecution of Elder Abuse speaker Paul Greenwood has been involved in the prosecution of over 500 felony cases of elder and dependant adult financial and physical abuse. He is deputy district attorney in the San Diego, CA, District Attorney's Office and a former barrister and then solicitor of the Supreme Court of England and Wales. In 1998, he was a presenter at the first International Conference of Elder Abuse in Toronto, Canada. He assisted in the drafting of elder abuse legislation for the state of California and has testified before the U.S. Senate Special Committee on Aging upon three occasions. He is co-chair of California's DA Elder Abuse Committee and was speaker at the inaugural session of the Elder Justice Council in Washington, D.C.

**Mary J. Hoeller, R.N., J.D.**, has served on the executive committee of the Solo and Small Firm Practice Section of the Indianapolis State Bar Association and served as chairperson of the litigation section of the Indianapolis Bar Association.

**Jane Langdon Null, J.D.** has limited her legal practice to the area of Elder Law for the majority of her career. She is a member of the Probate, Trust and Property and Elder Law Sections of the Indiana State Bar Association, currently serving as chair elect for the Elder Law Section.

**Dennis Frick, J.D.** is the director of the Senior Law Project of Indiana Legal Services, Inc. that represents older adults in 20 Central Indiana counties. In 2012 he received the Outstanding Chapter Member Award from the National Academy of Elder Law Attorneys.

**Chris Gaal, J.D.**, as the Monroe County Prosecutor, has prioritized crimes against the elderly by working closely with TRIAD, a public safety advocacy organization addressing concerns of elderly citizens and has produced public education materials designed to prevent financial exploitation, home improvement fraud, identity theft and assistance in hiring an in-home caregiver.

**Patrick Harrington, J.D.** is the Tippecanoe County Prosecutor. He is a dedicated advocate for community prosecution and has spearheaded multiple initiatives as prosecutor, including the Tippecanoe County Rental Property Owner and Manager Training Program, the WeTip Hotline and School Safety Program, as well as the the PSN Anti-Gang Coalition.

**Karen Richards, J.D.**, has served as the Allen County Prosecuting Attorney since 2003 and personally handles most of the elder abuse cases in the county. Beginning in the early 1980s, she served as a deputy prosecuting attorney in the Sex Crimes Division, bringing to the position extensive trial experience in the areas of rape, child abuse, domestic violence and homicide. She is a nationally recognized speaker who is passionate about protecting the citizens of Allen County through a team effort with law enforcement.

**Erica C.R. Costello, J.D.** is the staff attorney for the newly-created Adult Guardianship Office with the Indiana Supreme Court. This office serves as a resource to courts and the public on all matters relating to adult guardianship.

**H. Kennard Bennett, J.D.** is a practicing attorney who focuses on guardianships and consumer health issues, including the civil prosecution of nursing home abuse and neglect.

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## REPORT ELDER ABUSE

IF THE SITUATION IS IMMINENT AND LIFE THREATENING  
DIAL 9-1-1 IMMEDIATELY

IF NOT, CALL

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