

FOUNDERS' AWARD

The purpose of NALA's Founders Award Program is to recognize extraordinary or outstanding contributions to the growth and future of the paralegal profession, which impacted or affected the paralegal profession in a positive manner for a significant period of time.

Bradley J. Beehler, Esq.

Bradley J. Beehler is the Managing Partner at the Morley Law Firm in Grand Forks, ND, and we can honestly say, he is "one of us." In 1989 Brad became a Certified Legal Assistant (CLA) and an active member of Western Dakota Association of Legal Assistants (WDALA). While advancing his career, he went to UND Law School and was admitted to the North Dakota Bar in 1995. Later he set up practice in Grand Forks, and he didn't forget his roots.

He has contributed significantly to WDALA, to NALA, and also to paralegals nationwide. From 2003 thru 2011, he served on both NALA's Certifying Board and Advanced Paralegal Certification Board. His assistance has been instrumental in increasing the number of Advanced Paralegal Certification courses in the trial practice and personal injury practice areas. Currently Brad is back on the Certifying Board for another term.

Brad has demonstrated his dedication to the integrity of the certification exams and the certification process. He has also been a speaker numerous times for NALA institutes on personal injury and litigation and has written several articles for paralegal publications.

Making outstanding contributions in support of the profession and NALA Brad is an exemplary advocate regarding the proper use of paralegals. His dedication to NALA goes back more than 25 years when he first became a CLA. Over the past fifteen years, he has brought much expertise, energy, and support for the paralegal profession. He talks about paralegals being indispensable to employers – well – Brad is indispensable to the paralegal profession. ■



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