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NDAAs' 2026 Domestic Violence Conference

Prosecuting Coercive Control: Stalking, Strangulation & Digital Abuse

Attendees must wear their name tags to all events and turn off cell phones during all sessions.

Tuesday, August 25, 2026 Understanding Violence Dynamics

- 6:00 – 8:45 AM Complimentary Breakfast Available for Registered Attendees Staying at the Host Hotel
Location: Floor 8
- 8:00 – 9:00 AM Check-in & Registration
- 9:00 – 9:15 AM Welcome & Opening Remarks
Glenn Funk
District Attorney General
Nashville, TN
- 9:15 – 10:15 AM **The Danger Assessment:
Identifying Domestic Violence Cases Most Likely to Turn Deadly**
Jacquelyn Campbell, PhD
Anna D. Wolfe Chair and Professor, Johns Hopkins School of Nursing
Director, Johns Hopkins Center for Global Women's Health and Gender Equity
Johns Hopkins University
Baltimore, MD
- 10:15 – 10:30 AM Networking Break
- 10:30 – 11:30 AM **Trauma-Informed Prosecution:
Working with Victims, Reluctance, and Jury Perception**
Anthony Santos
Chief Trial Deputy District Attorney
Denver District Attorney's Office
Denver, CO
- Neillie Fields**
Assistant Chief Deputy District Attorney – Special Victims Unit
Arapahoe County District Attorney's Office
Centennial, CO



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- 11:30 – 1:00 PM Networking Lunch (On Your Own)
- 1:00 – 2:00 PM **Victims’ Rights in Action:
Partnering with Advocates to Strengthen Domestic Violence Prosecutions**
Renee Williams, Esq
Chief Executive Officer
National Center for Victims of Crime
Washington, DC
- Guy D’Andrea**
Attorney
Laffey Bucci
Philadelphia, PA
- 2:00 – 2:15 PM Networking Break
- 2:15 – 3:15 PM **Justice Has No Age Limit: Prosecuting Domestic Violence in Later Life**
Lisamarie Bristol
Solicitor General
Gwinnett County Solicitor General’s Office
Lawrenceville, GA
- Ann Laatsch**
Senior Attorney Advisor
National Clearinghouse on Abuse in Later Life
Madison, WI
- 3:15 – 3:30 PM Networking Break
- 3:30 – 4:30 PM **Stalking: The Overlooked Crime that Predicts Escalating Violence**
Amy N. Blackett
Indiana Prosecuting Attorneys Council (IPAC)
Indianapolis, IN
- 4:30 – 5:30 PM **Survivors FIRST: Reframing Justice Through Trauma-Informed Diversion**
Christina Johnson
Assistant District Attorney – Domestic Violence Lead
Office of the District Attorney General, 20th Judicial District
Nashville, TN



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Dr. Daffany Baker

Senior Vice President of Domestic Violence Services
YWCA Nashville & Middle Tennessee
Nashville, TN

Wednesday, August 26, 2026 Litigation Strategy & Evidence

- 6:00 – 8:45 AM Complimentary Breakfast Available for Registered Attendees Staying at the Host Hotel
Location: Floor 8
- 9:00 – 9:15 AM **Morning Briefing: Lessons from Day One**
Sasha Sencer
Education & Engagement Director
National District Attorneys Association
Raleigh, NC
- 9:15 – 10:15 AM **When the Victim Won't Testify:
Using Crawford and Forfeiture to Win Domestic Violence Cases**
Gerald "Jerry" Fineman
Former Assistant District Attorney
Riverside County District Attorney's Office
Riverside, CA
Founder
DV Train & Consult
Colorado Springs, CO
- 10:15 – 10:30 AM Networking Break
- 10:30 – 11:30 AM **Making Experts Matter:
Using Psychology and Forensic Testimony in Domestic Violence Trials**
Allenna Bangs
Assistant Criminal District Attorney
Deputy Criminal Division Chief
Tarrant County Criminal District Attorney's Office
Fort Worth, TX
- Dr. Kathryn Jacob, LMSW**
Licensed Psychologist
The Archway Institute
Arlington, TX



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- 11:30 – 1:00 PM Networking Lunch (On Your Own)
- 1:00 – 2:00 PM **The Deadliest Red Flag: Recognizing Strangulation as a Predictor of Homicide**
Martha Phillips, BSN-RN, CEN, SANE-A, SANE-P
Executive Director, Forensic Nurse Examiner
Forensic Education & Relief Nurse Staffing (FERNS)
- Jo Shelton, RN-MSN, CEN, SANE-A, SANE-P, AFN-C**
Director of Clinical Operations
Forensic Education & Relief Nurse Staffing (FERNS)
- 2:00 – 2:15 PM Networking Break
- 2:15 – 3:15 PM **Proving Strangulation:**
Using Forensic Nurse Exams and Medical Evidence to Build Stronger Cases
Catherine Vulcano
Vulcano Forensic Consulting
Berkeley Heights, NJ
- 3:15 – 3:30 PM Networking Break
- 3:30 – 4:30 PM **The Caretaker Trap:**
Using Victim Behavior to Strengthen Domestic Violence Prosecutions
Jasmine M. Hudgens, CA
Credentialed Victim Advocate
Noble County Prosecutor's Office
Albion, IN

Thursday, August 27, 2026 Investigation, Collaboration, & Implementation

- 6:00 – 8:45 AM Complimentary Breakfast Available for Registered Attendees Staying at the Host Hotel
Location: Floor 8
- 9:00 – 9:15 AM **Morning Briefing: Taking the Work Home**
Sasha Sencer
Education & Engagement Director
National District Attorneys Association



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- 9:15 – 10:15 AM **Inside a Domestic Violence Prosecution: From First Report to Trial**
Sean Roberts
Assistant District Attorney General
Knox County, TN
- Debbie Malone**
Assistant District Attorney
Knox County, TN
- 10:15 – 10:30 AM Networking Break
- 10:30 – 11:30 AM Coordinated Community Response:
Building Stronger Domestic Violence Cases Through Collaboration
Captain Eric K. Threlkeld
Eddy County Sheriff's Office
Carlsbad, NM
- 11:30 – 11:45 AM Closing Remarks
Sasha Sencer
Education & Engagement Director
National District Attorneys Association

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