

NASBA

31st Annual Conference for Board of Accountancy Legal Counsel

March 24 - 26, 2026 | Austin, TX



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Agenda

Tuesday, March 24, 2026

9:00 am – 12:30 pm	New Board Counsel & Executive Director Orientation & Working Lunch Presiding: Dale Atkinson, Esq. Founding Partner & Attorney The Atkinson Firm Moderators: NASBA Legal Team	Salon FG
12:00 – 2:00 pm	Registration for Executive Directors, Board Staff & Legal	Salon J Foyer
Executive Director & Legal Counsel Workshop		
2:00 – 2:05 pm	Welcome & Introduction (with Executive Directors) Presiding: Martin Pittioni Chair, NASBA Executive Directors Committee Executive Director, Oregon Board of Accountancy	Salon JK
2:05 – 2:45 pm	The CPA's Role in IRS Investigations Speaker: Jonathan Schnatz, CPA, CFF Principal Withum Smith + Brown	
2:45 – 3:30 pm	Understanding PEEC Exposure Draft Speakers: Jessica Luttrull, CPA Director, Professional Standards & Research NASBA Steven M. Platau, J.D., CPA Professor University of Tampa	
3:30 – 3:45 pm	Break	Salon J Foyer

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3:45 – 4:30 pm	ADA Testing Accommodations Speakers: Adam Herjeczki Senior Manager, Testing Accommodations/ADA Compliance NASBA Elizabeth Wolfe, Esq. Deputy Chief Legal Officer NASBA	Salon JK
4:30 – 5:15 pm	Unauthorized Practice Speakers: Marissa Brooks Director of Licensing/CPE/Peer Review Texas State Board of Public Accountancy Jerry Hill, Esq. General Counsel Texas State Board of Public Accountancy	
5:15 pm	Recess	
6:00 pm	Welcome Reception (with Executive Directors & State Society CEOs)	Salon H

Wednesday, March 25, 2026

7:15 – 8:30 am	Complimentary Headshots	Salon J Foyer
7:30 – 8:30 am	Breakfast	Salon H

Plenary Session – Joint Room

8:30 – 8:45 am	Welcome (with Executive Directors & State Society CEOs) Presiding: Martin Pittioni Chair, NASBA Executive Directors Committee Executive Director, Oregon Board of Accountancy	Salon JK
8:45 – 9:15 am	NASBA Report from Leadership (with Executive Directors & State Society CEOs) Speakers: Nicola Neilon, CPA 2025-2026 NASBA Chair Daniel J. Dustin, CPA President & CEO NASBA	Salon JK

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9:15 – 9:45 am	Legal Update (with Executive Directors & State Society CEOs) Speaker: Brenner Allen, Esq. Chief Legal Officer NASBA	
9:45 – 10:15 am	Legislative Update (with Executive Directors & State Society CEOs) Speaker: John W. Johnson Vice President, Legislative and Governmental Affairs NASBA	
10:15 – 11:00 am	Mobility/Principal Place of Business (with Executive Directors & State Society CEOs) Speakers: Kent Absec Vice President, State Board Relations NASBA Frank Trainor, Esq. Staff Attorney North Carolina Board of CPA Examiners	
11:00 – 11:30 am	Break	Salon J Foyer
11:30 am – 12:00 pm	AICPA Enforcement (with Executive Directors & State Society CEOs) Speaker: Toni T. Lee-Andrews, CPA, PFS, CGMA Senior Director – Ethics & Peer Review AICPA	Salon JK
12:00 – 12:30 pm	CPA Exam Update (with Executive Directors & State Society CEOs) Speakers: William Emmer, CPA Chief Operating Officer, NASBA Michael A. Decker Vice President, CPA Examination and Pipeline-Public Accounting, AICPA	
12:30 – 1:30 pm	Lunch (with Executive Directors & State Society CEOs)	Salon H

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Start of Legal General Session

1:30 – 1:40 pm	Legal Welcome & Introductions Speakers: Brenner Allen, Esq. Chief Legal Officer NASBA Elizabeth Wolfe, Esq. Deputy Chief Legal Officer NASBA Alyssa Rayne, Esq. Counsel, Contracts and Regulatory Research NASBA	Salon FG
1:40 – 2:40 pm	Ethics: Why Good Lawyers Do Bad Things Speaker: Robert Prentice, Esq. Professor, McCombs School of Business The University of Texas at Austin	
2:40 – 3:30 pm	Roll Call 1 (Legal Counsel and Investigators/Enforcement Staff Only) Moderators: NASBA Legal Team	
3:30 – 3:45 pm	Break	Salon J Foyer
3:45 – 4:45 pm	Roll Call 2 (Legal Counsel and Investigators/Enforcement Staff Only) Moderators: NASBA Legal Team	Salon FG
4:45 pm	Recess (Dinner on Own)	

Thursday, March 26, 2025

7:45 – 9:00 am	Complimentary Headshots	Salon J Foyer
8:00 – 9:00 am	Breakfast	Salon H

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Legal General Session – Start in Legal Room

9:00 – 10:15 am	Understanding Accounting and Financial Statements as Attorneys Speaker: Mark Bradshaw, Esq. Professor, McCombs School of Business The University of Texas at Austin	Salon FG
10:15 – 11:00 am	SCOTUS FTC Update & Q&A with Former Texas Solicitor General Speaker: Aaron L. Nielson, Esq. Charles I. Francis Professorship in Law The University of Texas at Austin School of Law	
11:00 – 11:30 am	Break	Salon J Foyer
11:30 am – 12:30 pm	Department of Labor Speaker: Marcus Aron, CPA Acting Chief Accountant OCA/EBSA, U.S. Department of Labor	Salon FG
12:30 – 1:30 pm	Lunch	Salon H
1:30 – 2:00 pm	First Amendment Cases Impacting Licensing Boards Speaker: Noel Allen, Esq. Allen & Pinnix, P.A.	Salon FG
2:00 – 3:00 pm	Roll Call 3/Insight from NASBA Leadership (Legal Counsel and Investigators/Enforcement Staff Only) Moderators: NASBA Legal Team	
3:00 pm	Adjourn	
6:30 pm	Closing Celebration Depart from hotel lobby near Starbucks	800 Congress