

Agenda

Spring 2025 National Conference
Grand Hyatt Washington, Washington, DC

Wednesday, April 23

Hill Day!

8:00-10:00 am—Training in Farragut/Lafayette Ballrooms

10:30-4:00 pm—Meetings on the Hill by appointment

Join us for NOSSCR's Hill Day, where you'll have the opportunity to meet with your Senators and Representatives and advocate for crucial improvements to the Social Security disability process.

Here's what you can expect:

- **Pre-scheduled appointments:** We'll set up meetings with your lawmakers so you can make the most of your time on the Hill.
- **Detailed schedule:** Stay organized and informed with a comprehensive itinerary outlining your activities.
- **Small advocacy teams:** You will be part of a small advocacy team, which is a great opportunity to grow your network of other advocacy-focused representatives in your state.
- **Advocacy training:** Receive comprehensive training on effective advocacy techniques and key legislative issues.

This is your chance to make a real difference in the lives of those seeking Social Security disability benefits. Don't miss this opportunity to effectuate change!

(Sign up is closed)

7:00–8:30 pm—President's Reception in Constitution Ballroom

Thursday, April 24

	Breakfast on your own
8:00-9:00 am	End Game--Get You and Your Client Paid Kevin Kerr and Sara Carroll —OR— How to Maximize the Public Benefits Available for Veterans and Surviving Spouses While Minimizing the Risk of Overpayments Swapna Yeluri, Robyn Griffin, and Emily Ford
9:00-9:30 am	Fifth Circuit Meeting in Farragut Square Conference Room Seventh Circuit Meeting in Lafayette Park Conference Room
9:30-10:30 am	Hidden Gems from Court Cases Rob Wendt and Sarah Bohr —OR— Use the New ISM Rules to Maximize your SSI Client's Benefits Michelle Spadafore and Amy Marinacci
10:30-11:00 am	Eighth Circuit Meeting in Farragut Square Conference Room Ninth Circuit Meeting in Lafayette Park Conference Room

11:00-12:00 pm	<p>Effective Cross Examination of Medical Experts Meredith Marcus and Stephen Sloan</p> <p>—OR—</p> <p>Navigating Supplemental Security Income Eligibility for Children: A Comprehensive Guide Theodore Glass</p>
12:00-1:00 pm	Lunch in Constitution Ballroom
1:00-2:00 pm	<p>Pre-Hearing Brief Writing 101 Heather Runkel</p> <p>—OR—</p> <p>How to Build and Scale a High-Volume Disability Practice Nathan Chapman, Gary Bimberg, and Joseph Houle</p>
2:00-2:30 pm	<p>First Circuit Meeting in Farragut Square Conference Room</p> <p>Second Circuit Meeting in Lafayette Park Conference Room</p>
2:30-3:30 pm	<p>Practical Pointers for Your Practice Jennifer Cronenberg</p> <p>—OR—</p> <p>Demystifying OHO: Panel Discussion with former SSA ALJ and Attorney Decision Writer Lindsay Osterhout, Sherianne Laba, and Erin Duffy</p>
3:30-4:00 pm	<p>Third Circuit Meeting in Farragut Square Conference Room</p> <p>Fourth Circuit Meeting in Lafayette Park Conference Room</p>

4:00-5:00 pm	<p>How to Deal with Bogus VE Testimony George Piemonte and Jonathan Heeps</p> <p>—OR—</p> <p>Your Client Went to Jail. Now What? Kate Walsham, Em Juneau, Tammy Seltzer, Erica Hartwig</p>
5:00-5:30 pm	<p>Sixth Circuit Meeting in Farragut Square Conference Room</p> <p>Tenth Circuit Meeting in Lafayette Park Conference Room</p> <p>Eleventh Circuit Meeting in TBD</p>

7:30 pm—Scully Dinner sponsored by Legal Conversion Center (advance registration required)

Friday, April 25

	Breakfast on your own
8:30-11:30 am	General Session Welcome Remarks Presentation of Sweeney Award, Paul Burkhalter and Earl Pomeroy Updates from the President, Paul Burkhalter Updates from the CEO, David Camp Presentation of Sweeney Award, Christopher Doherty and Jennifer Cronenberg Health Data Advocacy Update, Ladd Wiley, Epic SSA Keynotes, Acting Deputy Commissioner Jay Ortis & Assistant Deputy Jim Parikh
11:30-1:30 pm	Lunch on your own
1:30-2:30 pm	Vocational Science by the Numbers Kevin Liebkemann and Nichole Helmick —OR— Dread Deeming? Learn How to Apply it and the New Rule that Tames It Linda Landry and John S. Whitelaw
2:45-3:45 pm	SSI Work Rules and 1619 Magic Debora Wagner and Aleyda Toruno —OR— AC Strategy Heather Freeman

4:00-5:00 pm	<p>Oh No! I Have an Overpayment--Now What? Katrina Tomer and Michelle Spadafore</p> <p>—OR—</p> <p>Do Disabled Black Lives Matter in the SS Disability System? Jon Dubin and Richard Weishaupt</p>
5:15-6:15 pm	<p>100 Things Every Disability Claimant's Representative Needs to Know Tom Krause</p> <p>—OR—</p> <p>Hey Rookie! How to Develop an SSDI/SSI Case from Start to Finish and End Up in the Hall of Fame Norman McGill</p>

Saturday, April 26

	Breakfast on your own
8:30-9:30 am	From Trenches to Tech: Building AI Tools for Disability Practice Nick Coleman
9:45-10:45 am	Unpacking Persuasiveness: Strategies with a View to Appeal Blair Biser
11:00-12:00 pm	Build Trust and an Ethical Practice for Clients with Mental Health Concerns Ann Biddle
12:15-1:15 pm	Social Security Disability Caselaw Developments in the Circuits Jon Dubin and Sarah Bohr

Thanks for joining us!