



# CRIME VICTIM LAW CONFERENCE

NATIONAL CRIME VICTIM LAW INSTITUTE

## 2026 CONFERENCE AGENDA – WEDNESDAY, MAY 27TH

*All times listed are Pacific Daylight Time. Hybrid sessions livestreamed with limited interaction*

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|-------------------|---|-----------|
| 8:00AM - 9:00 AM  | <b>Breakfast</b>  | In-Person |
| 9:00AM – 9:15 AM  | <b>Welcoming Remarks</b>  | Hybrid    |
| 9:15AM – 10:00 AM | <b>Keynote: When Stalking Becomes a Constitutional Case: A Survivor’s Perspective on Justice, Safety, and the Courts</b><br>Speaker: Coles Whalen | Hybrid    |
| 10:20AM – 11:35AM | <b>CONCURRENT SESSIONS</b>  |           |
|                   | <b>Beyond the Courtroom: Enforcing Victims’ Rights in the Age of Digital Harm and AI-Driven Justice</b><br>Speaker: Samantha McCoy                | Hybrid    |
|                   | <b>For Us, By Us: Providing Cultural Specific Legal Service for Survivors of DVSA</b><br>Speakers: Nel-Sylvia Guzman & Ikram Ali                  | Hybrid    |
|                   | <b>Parallel Proceedings: Understanding and Navigating Civil &amp; Criminal Justice</b><br>Speaker: Sean Riddell                                   | Hybrid    |
| 11:45AM – 1:00PM  | <b>Lunch &amp; Plenary: Legal Advocacy for Financial Wellness as a Crime Victim Right</b><br>Speakers: Sarah Byrne & Michael Grudenic             | Hybrid    |
| 1:15PM – 2:30PM   | <b>CONCURRENT SESSIONS</b>  |           |
|                   | <b>Surviving Hierarchical Systems: Advancing Survivors’ Rights in Closed and Quasi-closed Environments</b><br>Speaker: Katherine Norton           | Hybrid    |
|                   | <b>Advocating for the Employment Rights of Victims of Domestic Violence, Sexual Assault, and Stalking</b><br>Speaker: Robin Runge & Lacy Earnest  | Hybrid    |
|                   | <b>Protecting Victim Privacy in High Profile Cases</b><br>Speakers: Emily Tofte Nesteval & Justin Summers   | Hybrid    |
| 2:50PM – 4:05PM   | <b>CONCURRENT SESSIONS</b>  |           |
|                   | <b>Victims’ Rights Post-Conviction</b><br>Speaker: Mariam El-menshawi & Silvia Aceves   | Hybrid    |
|                   | <b>Enhancing Responses to LGBTQ+ Survivors</b><br>Speakers: Ruth Perrin & Carrie Tirrell  | Hybrid    |
|                   | <b>Trauma Informed Justice: Centering Survivors, Sustaining Professionals</b><br>Speaker: Sarah Ford  | Hybrid    |
| 4:15PM – 5:00PM   | <b>Plenary TBD</b><br>Speaker: Paul Cassell   | Hybrid    |
| 5:00PM – 7:00PM   | <b>Reception</b>  | In-Person |

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## 2026 CONFERENCE AGENDA – THURSDAY, MAY 28TH

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| 8:15AM - 9:00 AM –  | <b>Breakfast</b>   | In-Person |
| 9:00AM – 9:15 AM –  | <b>Welcome Back</b>  | Hybrid    |
| 9:15AM – 10:00 AM – | <b>Plenary: TBD</b><br>Speaker: Erica Carosella  | Hybrid    |
| 10:20AM – 11:35AM   | <b>CONCURRENT SESSIONS</b>   |           |
|                     | <b>The Horizon of Victims’ Rights</b><br>Speaker: Meg Garvin   | Hybrid    |
|                     | <b>When Mass Disaster Strikes: Lawyers Protecting Victims, Survivors and Families from Lawyers - A Unique Approach</b><br>Speaker: Elizabeth Cronin                | Hybrid    |
|                     | <b>Protecting Immigrant Survivors: Responding to the Erosion of Victim-Centered Protections under the TVPA</b><br>Speakers: Rose Mukhar & Erika Petty              | Hybrid    |
| 11:45AM – 1:05PM –  | <b>Lunch Provided But On Your Own, Nature Walk, Affinity Groups</b>  | In-Person |
| 1:05PM – 2:20PM     | <b>CONCURRENT SESSIONS</b>   |           |
|                     | <b>Working With Military Victim Counsel to Supplement Representation</b><br>Speaker: Ruth Cresenzo   | Hybrid    |
|                     | <b>Beyond the Criminal System: Unlocking Civil Justice for Survivors of Sexual Harm</b><br>Speakers: Elizabeth Payne & Deborah Hogan                               | Hybrid    |
|                     | <b>Know More, Do More: Addressing Stalking Risks for Victims</b><br>Speaker: Jennifer Landhuis   | Hybrid    |
| 2:40PM – 3:55PM     | <b>CONCURRENT SESSIONS</b>   |           |
|                     | <b>Victims’ Rights Enforcement</b><br>Speaker: Colleen Clase   | Hybrid    |
|                     | <b>Making Restitution Work: Real-World Skills (Even for the Math-Averse)</b><br>Speakers: Emily Tofte Nesteval & Kazi Houston                                      | Hybrid    |
| 4:15PM – 5:00PM –   | <b>Plenary: From Victim to Attorney: Understanding How Personal Trauma and Compassion Fatigue Impact Our Work</b><br>Speakers: Remla Parthasarathy & Susan Dietzel | Hybrid    |

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