

National Association of Extradition Officials

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NAEO Newsletter Off and Running!

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On behalf of the National Association of Extradition Officials, I am happy to present our first webpage newsletter. As many of you know, the association was formed over 45 years ago in an effort to organize, inform and educate officials at every level throughout the country so that the work could be accomplished more effectively and efficiently. We hope that this quarterly newsletter, along with our annual conferences and other publications, will further those purposes.

Please submit articles or information to be posted in our newsletter to naeo@aol.com. We welcome all comments or suggestions about this newsletter and the NAEO.*

2010 San Diego Conference Update

The Board is pleased to announce the NAEO 46th Annual Training Conference will be held at the Marriott San Diego Hotel & Marina May 30-June 2, 2010. The conference program, information and registration form are posted on the NAEO website under "2010 Proposed Agenda." Please be advised the agenda is subject to change until all speakers have been confirmed.

The mission of the NAEO is to organize, train and support extradition officials in the respective states and territories. Each year the program includes basic and more advanced presentations covering a variety of topics related to interstate and international rendition. In addition, throughout the conference, attendees have the opportunity to meet one-on-one with NAEO attorneys and board members for more in-depth personal discussion.

The San Diego Hotel & Marina received a 4 diamond rating by AAA and boasts of state-of-the-art lodging and conference accommodations. It is a prime location with easy access to the airport and to the best of what San Diego offers. In keeping with the Board's goal to provide the best possible training for our attendees at an affordable cost, the NAEO negotiated a fantastic room rate of \$139.00 plus \$12.73% tax. To check out the property in more detail and its usual room rates, go to <http://www.marriott.com/hotels/travel/sandt-san-diego-marriott-hotel-and-marina/>. With room rates so affordable, the Board advises attendees to register and make their room reservations early!*

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REMINDER

- Susan Smith is the current NAEO executive secretary.
- All NAEO business needs to be conducted via the NAEO email or the telephone/fax numbers listed above. Please do not contact the Florida State Governor's Office for NAEO business.

- Member states soon will have access to a "Member" portion of the website. A membership benefit section is now available for review on the website.
- State membership dues were due January 2, 2010. The invoices were mailed October 1, 2009 instead of November 1, 2009. The invoices were mailed earlier in response to state fiscal offices' concerns with projecting budget expenditures. Beginning next year, for 2011, your state should expect to see an annual dues invoice mailed in June, 2010 and subsequently every June thereafter. **Please note that the due date for the invoice remains January of the next year.**
- Conference program/registration information is not finalized until the first of each year. After each annual conference held (usually, May, June or July), the Board works to finalize contract negotiations for the conference two years' out, develop the program content for the upcoming conference, contact and confirm speakers for the next conference's program and conduct annual board business.
- Every three to four years, the NAEO updates its Extradition Manual. At the 2009 conference, member states received the latest update of the Manual at no additional cost. Additional copies of the manual may be purchase by member states for \$150.00 each or by nonmember states at \$500.00 each.
- Pictures from previous conferences are still being sought. If you have pictures and wish to contribute them to the NAEO archives, please submit them on the website. (If original pictures are mailed, they most likely cannot be returned.) Scanned and emailed is better!
- The upcoming year is a political election year. There will most likely be changes to governors and attorney generals' office personnel. Please submit directory changes to naeo@aol.com.*

San Diego 2010 Conference Tidbits

- ✚ The NAEO is going high tech! San Diego will be the first conference where the majority of the binder will be on a CD. (No more huge binders to take on the plane.....)☺
- ✚ A bulletin board will be placed by the registration area throughout the conference for attendees to post questions. The questions will be addressed by an extradition panel during the last general session of each day.
- ✚ A raffle of agency items will be conducted before each session. If you plan to donate, please attach your business card to the raffle item in advance.
- ✚ Past NAEO conferences have provided CLE credits for attorneys. It is recommended you contact your state bar for its specific CLE requirements prior to the conference.*

The Boston 45th Annual NAEO Conference hosted 89 attendees; 46% of which were first-time attendees. Breakdown of the attendees by region is as follows:

Northeast region - 29; South region - 28; Central East region - 4;
Central region - 18; West region - 10

Of the 89 attendees, 4% were state officials; 37% were prosecutors; 53% were law enforcement; 6% were corrections.

A NAEO Historical Tidbit

On May 26, 1966, John McInerny (after holding the first national conference of extradition officials in 1965 before the NAEO was officially formed), wrote to Evelle J. Younger, the Los Angeles County District Attorney and invited him to send his "extradition expert" to attend the 2nd annual conference to be held in Chicago. The chief of the Los Angeles County trials division, J. Miller Leavy, knew exactly to whom John McInerny was extending the invitation to. Elvyn Holt had been a member of the extradition section of the Los Angeles County District Attorney's office for 14 years having served as chief of the section for the last seven years. The invitation had been extended because her section processed more extradition cases annually than perhaps any other prosecutors' offices in the United States. Elvyn was recognized by Mr. Leavy as being "knowledgeable on all of the problems of extradition, and in particular, the mechanics involved." Unfortunately, as something that happens all-too-often, the Chief Deputy DA to Mr. Leavy's chagrin, designated one of his deputy district attorneys to attend.

This oversight was promptly corrected the following year. In a letter to the second president of the NAEO, Gilbert Pena, Mr. Leavy stated that Elvyn would be attending and would "make a real contribution to the conference." She attended her first conference in Tulsa, Oklahoma at the Camelot Inn in September of 1967. (The hotel rates were \$10.00!)

At the May 1968 conference, held at the Jack London Inn in Oakland, California, Elvyn was serving with Gil as a panelist on the program. The topic of the panel was "Problem Clinic", and Elvyn discussed current case developments, executive agreements, post rendition follow up, and interstate cooperation. Incidentally, **Governor Ronald Reagan** was the guest speaker at the luncheon, and his extradition assistant, **Edwin Meese**, moderated one of the other panels. The room rates for the conference had increased to a whopping \$12.00! The NAEO constitution was presented for approval at that conference. No doubt because of her recognized expertise in the field of extraditions, Elvyn was one of only two individuals, not associated with either a governor's or attorney general's office, who was invited to attend as a member of the NAEO. With her spunky spirit, Elvyn soon became a "one woman show" and singlehandedly became the stabilizing force behind the NAEO.

At the NAEO's 26th Annual Conference in St. Petersburg Beach, Florida in 1990, the executive board of the NAEO adopted Resolution #40 the "Elvyn Holt Outstanding Achievement Award." As was proper and fitting, Elvyn was the first recipient. Sadly in 1994 Elvyn passed away. The NAEO remains her legacy and in her honor each year the NAEO executive board honors an individual who exhibits the same work ethics, dedication and values that Elvyn Holt brought to the NAEO.*