



61ST ANNUAL MEETING

JUNE 18-21, 2026

PERDIDO BEACH RESORT
ORANGE BEACH, ALABAMA

ALABAMA DEFENSE LAWYERS ASSOCIATION 2026 ANNUAL MEETING

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J. Mark Debro, Program Chair, Grace Matthews & Debro LLC, Huntsville, AL

THURSDAY, JUNE 18TH

- 2:30 pm** Exhibitor Setup
1st Floor Ballroom
- 4:30 pm - 6:30 pm** Registration Desk Open
1st Floor Ballroom
- 6:30 pm - 8:00 pm** Bonfire & Brews: A Beachside Social
Beachside

FRIDAY, JUNE 19TH

- 7:00 am-7:50 am** ADLA Past Presidents Breakfast
Azure Room (Invitation Only)
- ADLA & TDLA CLE** Joint CLE Session | 1st Floor Ballroom
- 7:30 am** Sign-In & Strolling Breakfast for CLE Registrants & Exhibitors
1st Floor Ballroom-Exhibit Hall
- 7:50 am - 8:00 am** Welcome
ADLA President Bains Fleming of MMPO Defense, Birmingham, AL, and TDLA President Rachel Bishop of Permobil, Inc., Lebanon, TN
- 8:00 am - 9:00 am** Nuances of UIM Coverage
Priscilla Williams of Christian & Small LLP, Birmingham, AL
- 9:00 am - 10:00 am** Notorious: The Rise and Ruin of Tom Girardi
Sharon Stuart, President & Claims Counsel, Attorneys Insurance Mutual of the South, Birmingham, AL (Ethics)
- 10:00 am - 10:10 am** Introduction of Exhibitors and Sponsors
Group 1 Door Prize Drawings
- 10:10 am - 10:30 am** Break & Visit with Exhibitors
- 10:30 am - 11:30 am** College Sports Chaos - The CSC, the NCAA, and What's Next for Your Favorite Team
Brian Kappel of Lightfoot, Birmingham, AL
- 11:30 am - 12:30 pm** From Reaction to Action: Defense via Offense (Offensive Strategies for Defense Counsel)
Phil Collins of Huie Fernambucq & Stewart LLP, Birmingham, AL

Friday Afternoon | Sun, Sand and Family Time

- 1:30 pm - 5:00 pm** ADLA & TDLA Annual Golf Tournament
Lost Key Golf Club, Perdido Key, FL
- 5:45 pm - 6:15 pm** Women in the Law Reception
1st Floor Ballroom
- 6:15 pm - 7:45 pm** Sundown Kickoff Reception
1st Floor Ballroom & Ballroom Foyer

SATURDAY, JUNE 20TH

- ADLA CLE Session** 1st Floor Ballroom | **TDLA CLE Session** 1st Floor Sand Dollar Room
- 7:30 am** Sign-In & Strolling Breakfast for CLE Registrants & Exhibitors
1st Floor Ballroom-Exhibit Hall
- 7:50 am - 8:00 am** Welcome and Alabama State Bar Update
ADLA President Bains Fleming of MMPO Defense, Birmingham, AL and Alabama State Bar President Fred Helmsing, Jr. of Jones Walker LLP, Mobile, AL
- 8:00 am - 8:45 am** Firm Engagement: Bridging the Gap Between the Generations
F. Todd Weston, Christian & Small LLP, Birmingham, AL
- 8:45 am - 9:05 am** Introduction of Exhibitors & Sponsors
Group 2 Door Prize Drawings
- 9:05 am - 9:45 am** Break and Visit with Exhibitors
- 9:45 am - 10:30 am** Alabama Case Law Update 2026: Who Wants to be a Defense Attorney
Dennis Vann of Carr Allison, Birmingham, AL & participants
- 10:30 am - 11:30 am** State of Judiciary Update and Judicial Panel
Led by Chief Justice Sarah Stewart of the Alabama Supreme Court
- 11:30 am - 12:30 pm** ADLA Annual Membership Meeting & Elections
- Tide & Time Out: Relax & Recharge**
- 6:30 pm - 8:30 pm** Shoreline Celebration: Dinner & Kids' Fun
Outdoor Beach Deck

**Agenda subject to change*

**This course or a portion thereof has been approved by the Mandatory Continuing Legal Education Commission of Alabama for a maximum of 6.5 hours' credit, including 1 hour of ethics.*

CONFERENCE HIGHLIGHTS: CONNECT, COMPETE, AND UNWIND

Dive into an unforgettable experience with a lineup of exciting activities designed to balance professional connections with relaxation and fun:

ADLA & TDLA ANNUAL GOLF TOURNAMENT

Tee off at the breathtaking Lost Key Golf Club in Perdido Key, Florida. Join colleagues and friends for friendly competition and camaraderie on this world-class course. Whether you're aiming for a hole-in-one or just enjoying the views, it's a perfect way to kick off the conference!

WOMEN IN THE LAW RECEPTION

Celebrate, connect, and collaborate! Join leading women in the legal profession for an inspiring evening of conversation, networking, and empowerment. Raise a glass and share ideas as we honor the incredible women shaping our field.

NIGHTLY RECEPTIONS TO UNWIND TOGETHER

Join us each evening for great company, delicious food, and coastal charm! Thursday night features a beach bonfire with brews for adults and s'mores for the kids under the stars. Friday night moves indoors with a lively reception and fun activities for the little ones.

SATURDAY NIGHT FAMILY DINNER ON THE BEACH DECK

Wrap up your weekend with a memorable beachside dinner celebration! Enjoy the sunset with music, family conversations, and plenty of kid-friendly activities on the beach deck—a perfect evening for the whole family to create lasting memories.

CONFERENCE LOCATION:

PERDIDO BEACH RESORT

27200 PERDIDO BEACH BLVD., ORANGE BEACH, AL 36561

Perdido Beach Resort is the largest privately owned and operated Orange Beach, Alabama hotel. Situated along sandy white shores and turquoise waters, Perdido Beach Resort offers the best location for beach vacations and group events. Learn more about the resort here: <https://www.perdido beachresort.com/>



RESERVATIONS

HOTEL RESERVATIONS MADE EASY!

Reserve your spot today for the 2026 Annual Meeting at the beautiful Perdido Beach Resort. Call 800-634-8001 and reference **ADLA Group ID #18808** to secure your reservation.

IMPORTANT DETAILS:

Discounted room block rate starts at **\$309** per night. The room block closes on **May 19, 2026**, unless it sells out early. Don't wait—rooms are expected to fill up quickly!

For updates and to register online, visit the **2026 Annual Meeting** event page at www.adla.org.

REGISTRATION & CANCELLATION DETAILS

We want your experience at the 2026 Annual Meeting to be seamless! If you need to cancel your registration, here's what you need to know:

CANCELLATION POLICY:

No refunds will be issued for cancellations made after **May 31st** or for "no shows." ADLA must confirm attendance numbers with the hotel on **June 1st** and is responsible for the associated food and beverage costs. Unfortunately, we cannot make exceptions to this policy after the deadline. Thank you for your understanding!

If you have any questions or need assistance, feel free to reach out to us:

Call: 334-395-4455

Email: adla@adla.org



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ADLA Bar Number: _____

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☐ First-time Conference Attendee

☐ ADLA Past President

Registration also available online at
<https://tinyurl.com/2026ADLAAnnualMeeting>

Name: _____ Name for Badge: _____

Firm: _____ City: _____

Email: _____ Phone: _____

Please list food allergies for food events: _____

No Refunds for cancellations after May 31, 2026 ADLA is responsible for headcount expenses guaranteed on June 1, 2026. NO EXCEPTIONS	Pricing
ADLA Member Individual Attendee	☐ \$750
ADLA Member Retired Attendee	☐ \$375
ADLA Member Honorary Attendee	☐ FREE
ADLA Member In-house Counsel Individual Attendee	☐ \$375
Number of Additional Adult Guests (+18) of Registered Attendees _____ Spouse/ Adult Guest First & Last Name for Badge: _____	_____ \$150 each

Conference Social Functions	Please tell us the number of adults and kids that will be attending each social event so we can plan accordingly. Children's activities planned Friday and Saturday nights.	
Thursday Bonfire & Brews: A Beachside Social	Number of Adults:	Number of Kids:
Friday Sundown Kickoff Reception	Number of Adults:	Number of Kids:
Saturday Shoreline Celebration: Dinner & Kids' Fun on the Beach Deck	Number of Adults:	Number of Kids:

Conference Ticketed Events		
Golf Tournament w/ Boxed Lunch Lost Key Golf Club	\$150 per Golfer Number of Golfers: Golfers' Name(s) & Handicap(s):	Total \$ _____