

# **Catawba Valley Paralegal Association**

**ADOPTION SEMINAR SEPTEMBER 8, 2009**  
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## **ADOPTION IN NORTH CAROLINA** **NORTH CAROLINA GENERAL STATUTES** **CHAPTER 48**

### **General Adoption Procedure**

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| <b>I.</b>    | <b>JURISDICTION</b>  | <b>(5 minutes)</b> |
| <b>II.</b>   | <b>VENUE</b>   | <b>(5 minutes)</b> |
| <b>III.</b>  | <b>STANDING (Who can File)</b>                                     | <b>(5 minutes)</b> |
| <b>II.</b>   | <b>TERMINATION OF PARENTAL RIGHTS;<br/>CONSENT RELINQUISHMENTS</b> | <b>(8 minutes)</b> |
| <b>V.</b>    | <b>PLACEMENT</b>   |                    |
|              | <b>A. AGENCY</b>   | <b>(7 minutes)</b> |
|              | <b>B. INDEPENDENT</b>  | <b>(7 minutes)</b> |
|              | <b>C. FAMILY</b>   | <b>(7 minutes)</b> |
| <b>VI.</b>   | <b>NEW REWRITE OF ADOPTION CODE</b>                                | <b>(6 minutes)</b> |
| <b>VII.</b>  | <b>PROJECTIONS FOR THE FUTURE OF ADOPTIONS</b>                     | <b>(6 minutes)</b> |
| <b>VIII.</b> | <b>DISCUSSION: QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS</b>                           | <b>(4 minutes)</b> |