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Hon. J. W. Deese
President-Elect

The 1985 Annual Conference and Seminar of the National Association of Administrative Law Judges will be conducted on the campus of The National Judicial College at Reno, Nevada. Unlike the program in 1983 (when NAALJ met during a graduate course at the College) this year The National Judicial College, in conjunction with the NAALJ program chairman, will provide a program especially prepared for the National Association of Administrative Law Judges. Judge V. Robert Payant, Associate Dean of the Judicial College, promises a "first class program." The Judicial College will award extension course credit for this seminar.

This year's program will be the same length as the 1984 seminar in Texas, one day shorter than the usual Judicial College course. On Monday, October 21, 1985, registration will coincide with an afternoon meeting of the Board of Governors. On Tuesday, October 22, 1985, the course will begin with late registration and opening, and proceed into a variety of academic sessions and business meetings. In the afternoons and evenings, a variety of group discussions, videotape presentations and exercises, and other special programs will be provided for judges and spouses to choose from. Group discussions will be provided for Administrative Law Judges hearing all types of cases. Videotape presentations and practice on courtroom techniques are planned. These group discussions, exercises and presentations will enable Administrative Law Judges to both expand their knowledge and sharpen courtroom techniques for dealing with the myriad of difficult situations found in administrative hearings. Also, a Certified Psychologist is preparing a program for both judges and spouses on stress management: coping with the stress that inevitably accompanies serving as an Administrative Law Judge, or spouse of a judge. The annual banquet will be held on the evening of Thursday, October 24, 1985, with graduation the following morning. Ample time has been allotted for NAALJ business meetings.

Hon. Steve Cerstvik has already begun preparation for a wide variety of entertainment and recreational activities to occupy all available spare time. Further details will be forthcoming. Comments and suggestions will be gratefully appreciated.