

Since its inception, the **North Carolina Bail Agents Association (NCBAA)** has diligently worked to safeguard and champion the private bail industry in North Carolina. The association's core principle revolves around being a **non-profit entity**, ensuring that funds are allocated toward industry preservation rather than individual profit.

Despite our noble mission, the NCBAA faces a challenge: it currently lacks sufficient membership. As bondsmen, we recognize the efficacy of bail. It not only sustains our livelihood but also serves as the most effective means to prevent North Carolina taxpayers from bearing the financial burden of housing inmates or covering expenses related to returning defendants to court. **BAIL WORKS!**

At the heart of the NCBAA's governance lies a **Board**, elected annually by its members. Last year, the association introduced an informal vote for **District Representatives**, aiming to enhance representation for bondsmen across the state. If you encounter issues in your area, I encourage you to connect with a District Rep or Board Member. The NCBAA is unequivocally bondsmen working for bondsmen! Even our **Executive Director and Lobbyist** share this professional background.

To keep bondsmen informed and empowered, the NCBAA provides a range of services:

- Email updates**
- Social media posts**
- Quarterly newsletters**
- Pre-licensing classes**
- Continuing education classes**
- Dedicated staff to address bondsmen's challenges**
- Two convenient locations**
- A lobbyist who advocates for beneficial legislation and prevents harmful bills from passing**

The NCBAA remains steadfast in representing all bondsmen, ensuring that our concerns are acknowledged and rectified. If you're not already a member, consider joining or encouraging fellow bondsmen to do so. Our collective voice resonates louder, reinforcing the strength of our cause!

[Member Info | North Carolina Bail Agents Association \(ncbaa.com\)](http://ncbaa.com)

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# PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

## AN UPDATE FROM PRESIDENT PHILLIP BRADSHAW

As the 2024 year starts off for the NCBA, I would like to assure you that the Board of Directors has been hard at work to ensure that this year is a memorable one. With two board meetings under our belt since the last election, committees have been meeting and working towards one of the best years yet. As we have already been extremely active, there are several items that I would like to communicate with you.

I would first like to thank those of you who are members. Your membership shows that you are serious about your profession and are committed to seeing it protected. If you are not a member, I cannot stress to you enough the importance of becoming a part of protecting your industry. With approximately 1,800 bondsmen in the state, could you imagine the impact that we could have if we all came together as one to fight for our livelihood? Make no mistake, we continue to fight off bad legislation and promote the good wherever we can. But we cannot do it alone. For .28 a day; you can make a difference in that fight!

Secondly, please join us for your Continuing Education this year. We have CE classes scheduled throughout the state from now until the cutoff date. We strive to make these classes as informative and as easily accessible as possible. By taking your CE class with the NCBA, you also help us in our fight to protect and promote bail in NC. This year our topic is BOUND FOR SUCCESS: Navigating the Bail Industry with Verbal De-Escalation. This year is also a "full" renewal year. Fingerprints are required this year as well as your CE. Additionally, if you have a new agent that you would like to get licensed, you cannot do any better than by having them taught through the NCBA. Doug Cozart is the encyclopedia of information regarding bail in NC and has been teaching agents the correct way for years. We offer military discounts and a free year of membership for anyone who takes our class. We also offer a refresher course if needed, as well as allowing those that do not pass the state exam, to retake our class for free. Every part of the pre-licensing curriculum has been gone through meticulously to ensure that our students have the advantage when taking the state test.

At our recent Board Meeting, the Board made the decision to appoint two new Board members to replace seats vacated by my election as President (one-year term) as well as the seat vacated by the passing of long time board member Dennis Johnson (two-year term). The one-year term seat was filled by Angela (Angie) Wyatt of Wilkes County. Angie has assisted us for years at our annual conferences as a volunteer and we are pleased to have her join us. We already know that she is an extremely hard worker! The two-year term was filled by Mark Beaver. Mark is out of Cleveland County, is a former Board Member and has been a strong supporter of the association for years. We welcome them to the Board and look forward to working with them.

We are currently raffling off a golf cart valued at \$8,999. Details about the golf cart raffle were emailed out as well as being placed on our website and social media accounts. Board members and staff have tickets if you are interested. Tickets can also be purchased online. Tickets are \$50 each or 12 for \$500. There will only be 300 tickets sold! The drawing will be at our April Board Meeting in High Point. (A huge thanks to Mark Beaver for donating a golf cart at cost for our needs!)

Next, I ask you to join us for our Annual Meeting in September in Cherokee, NC. The NCBA has never held a conference there previously, but I myself have attended several conferences there for the NC Private Investigators Association. The location was top notch and we feel that this will be an excellent venue to hold our annual meeting and reception. As always, we will have our famous \$10,000 drawdown. We look forward to hearing more from the Conference Committee in the coming months for details.

Our board meeting schedule is posted on social media accounts, on our website and will be included in this newsletter. If you are interested in joining us for a meeting - please contact our Executive Director to let him know you are coming. We do break for lunch and want to ensure that we have enough food for attendees. Members are always welcome and we would love to have you join us. Our next meeting is April 10th in our High Point Office.

Lastly, I would like to make note of the loss of Board Member Dennis Johnson and former Board Member, Howard Davis. Dennis was a former law enforcement officer, Hall of Fame Inductee of the NCBA, a longtime Board Member, a strong supporter of the Association, a Husband, a Father and a Friend. Howard Davis was a Board Member for 20 years, where most of that was spent as our Treasurer. Howard was a mentor to many in this industry and was a firm believer in our Association and the preservation of our livelihood. We continue to keep their families, friends and business associates in our thoughts and prayers. The world as a whole, and bail in general, is at a huge loss without both of these fine men in it.

If I can be of assistance to you, please don't hesitate to reach out.

Regards,

*Phillip Bradshaw*



# 2024 Continuing Education Classes

“Bound for Success: Navigating the Bail Industry with Verbal De-Escalation” is a meticulously crafted course by approved CE instructors, featuring curated content from seasoned bail professionals and expert insights. With a focus on verbal de-escalation techniques, bail bonding business insights, and essential topics recommended by the North Carolina Department of Insurance Bail Bond Regulatory Division, the course equips agents with best practices, ethical considerations, and strategies for enhancing both personal and professional reputation within the industry!

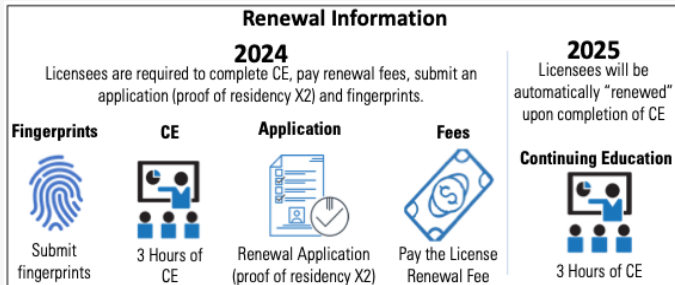


**ONLY**  
**\$150**



## 2024 RENEWAL INFORMATION

**BAIL AGENTS MUST COMPLETE 3 HOURS OF CE BY JUNE 30TH!**



Bondsmen will be required to complete the following items for renew their licenses in 2024:

Continuing Education, Renewal Applications, Fingerprints, Proof of Residency and Fees

Must be completed and paid by June 30, 2024!

## WHY SHOULD YOU TAKE YOUR CE WITH NCBA??

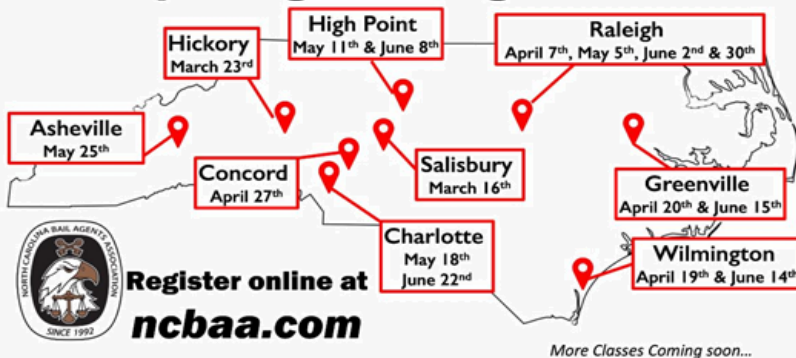
Unlike other CE providers, NCBA is a non-profit state-wide organization that is ran by bondsmen for bondsmen. By taking your CE with NCBA, your tuition continues to work for you long after the class is over. The fees collected by NCBA are used to help fight the anti cash bail movement and to support better bail bonding laws to help you make and save more money! Your tuition will continue to work for you long after the class is over!

*NCBA funds lobbyist and staff to ensure all bondsmen have a voice when laws and regulations are being crafted and passed. Support your job and industry by using NCBA for your CE needs.*

So, when you are deciding who to take your Continuing Education through, think about your future and think about where you would like your investment to go? **YOU CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE!!!**



## Upcoming Continuing Education



This state approved 3 hour class will provide you with the continuing education requirement to maintain your bail bonding license. Under the authority of the N.C. Department of Insurance, all bail agents are required to complete 3 hours of mandatory continuing education class each year prior to June 30th. If you have questions or need guidance, contact the NCBA office.

We are always available as a resource to you!

CE Exemptions:

- 1) You are 65 years or older and have had your bonding license for 15 or more years.
- 2) You are a new bondsman and obtained your license on or after January 1, 2023

[Click here](#)



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# EFILING HELP! NORTH CAROLINA ECOURTS

## HOW TO FILE A BOND MOTION ON THE NEW NC ECOURTS

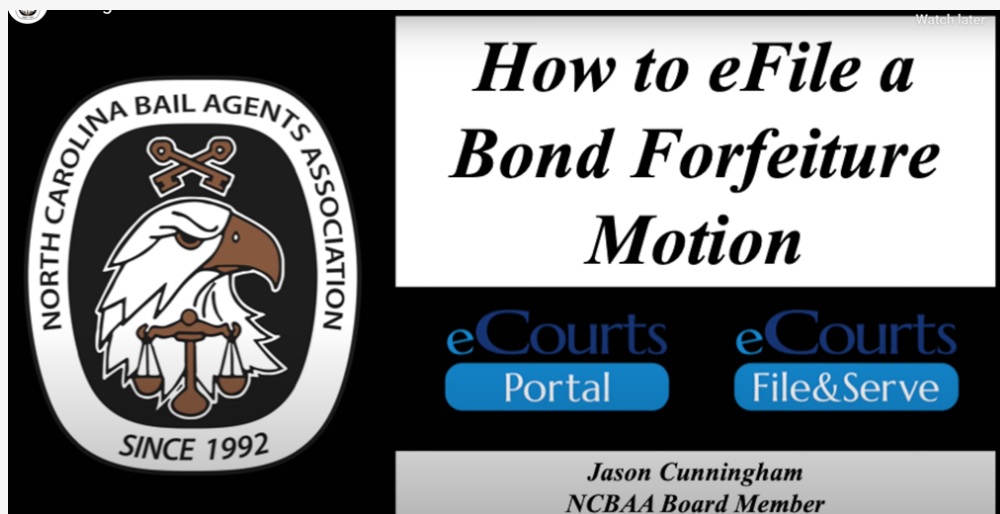
North Carolina is in the process of adopting a new electronic court filing system named eCourts. This system mandates that all court documents be submitted electronically. Bondsmen are now required to file their motions through the new online platform called "eCourts File & Serve" within the eCourts Portal once specific counties transition to this platform.

As of February 19, 2024, eCourts has been implemented in 17 counties: Beaufort, Camden, Chowan, Currituck, Dare, Gates, Harnett, Hyde, Johnston, Lee, Martin, Mecklenburg, Pasquotank, Perquimans, Tyrrell, Wake, and Washington.

On April 29, 2024, the system is set to become operational in the following additional counties: Alamance, Chatham, Durham, Franklin, Granville, Guilford, Orange, Person, Vance, and Warren.

Step by Step Instructions: [eFile-Bond-Forfeiture\\_NCBAA.pdf](#)

Video Instructions: <https://youtu.be/CoyJZOYOGiM>



***We want to hear from you!!!***

What are the top three things that you feel would make the bail industry in North Carolina better?

Email your responses to: [info@ncbaa.com](mailto:info@ncbaa.com)

Please respond by April 5th, 2024 so that the responses can be put together for review by the Board at our next Board Meeting!

### ***Having an Issue In Your Area?***

If there is an issue in your area of North Carolina that you would like to bring to the attention of the Board, please reach out to a Board Member, District Representative or Association Staff! We are here to help you!!



[Bail Agent Association Leadership | NCBA](#)

[District Representatives | North Carolina Bail Agents Association \(ncbaa.com\)](#)

[Contact | North Carolina Bail Agents Association \(ncbaa.com\)](#)

## Raffle – Evolution Classic 4 Pro



**\$50 per ticket or 12 for \$500** \*Only 300 Tickets Available\*

[www.ncbaa.com/about/golfcaraffle/](http://www.ncbaa.com/about/golfcaraffle/)

## GOLF CART RAFFLE!

### NEW Evolution Classic 4 Pro Golf Cart!

Support the North Carolina Bail Agents Association by participating in their raffle for a chance to win a brand-new Evolution Classic 4 Pro Golf Cart with an estimated value of **\$8,999**.

Purchase tickets at **\$50 each** or get **12 tickets for \$500**. With only **300** tickets available, seize the opportunity to contribute to NCBAA, a not-for-profit organization dedicated to safeguarding the interests of bail agents. Your support helps fund lobbyists and staff, enabling NCBAA to fulfill its mission of protecting, preserving, promoting, and improving the bail industry and the livelihood of bondsmen in North Carolina through education and fundraising initiatives.

Click here for tickets:

[GolfCart Raffle | North Carolina Bail Agents Association \(ncbaa.com\)](http://GolfCartRaffle|NorthCarolinaBailAgentsAssociation(ncbaa.com))

## SAVE THE DATE

**NCBAA ANNUAL  
MEETING &  
RECEPTION**

**FRIDAY  
SEPTEMBER 6, 2024  
CHEROKEE, NC**



## NCBAA ANNUAL MEETING!

**Friday, September 6th, 2024!**

Every year, the NCBA A strives to rotate the Annual Meeting across various regions of the state to better serve our members in different areas. This year, we are heading to the Western part of the state, and we have discovered an ideal venue for our conference and meetings! The facility is stunning and promises to be one of our most memorable locations yet. From the casino to the sightseeing opportunities, this venue truly has it all. Stay tuned for more details, and make plans now to join us!!!

[3-D Model Gallery - Harrah's Cherokee Casino Resort \(visitingmedia.com\)](http://3-DModelGallery-Harrah'sCherokeeCasinoResort(visitingmedia.com))

**MORE  
DETAILS**  
*Coming Soon!*

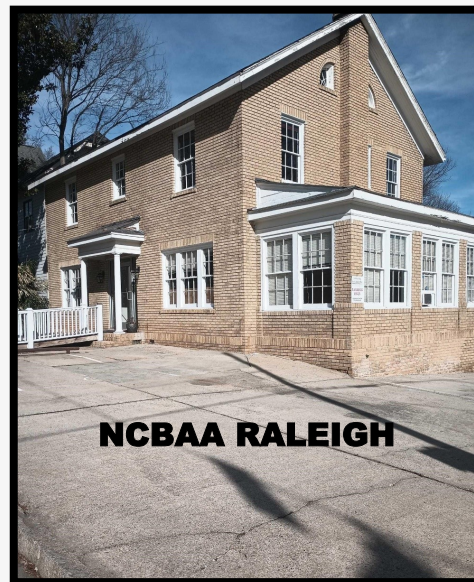
**Harrah's**  
CASINOS

**LET'S GO**  
» TO THE «  
*Mountains*



## TWO LOCATIONS TO NOW SERVE YOU!

To enhance our service to our members, the North Carolina Bail Agent's Association is delighted to introduce a new location! In addition to our High Point office located at 1220 Eastchester Dr., Suite 104, High Point, NC 27265, we now have a presence in Raleigh at 204 N Person St., Raleigh, NC 27601! The NCBA A remains dedicated to delivering top-notch service to its members!



**NCBA A RALEIGH**



## Blog

**NCBA A BLOG - SOMETHING NEW FOR OUR MEMBERSHIP!**  
CHECK OUT THE NEW SECTION ON OUR WEBSITE! A BLOG POST FROM BONDSMEN, FOR BONDSMEN, EVERY FRIDAY! POSTED ON OUR SOCIAL MEDIA AS WELL AS ON THE WEBSITE!

[NCBA A Blog | North Carolina Bail Agents Association](https://ncbaa.com/blog)

Did you know that the NCBA A posts links to articles pertaining to bail from North Carolina and Nationwide every week on our social media?

We want our membership to be aware of anything pertaining to bail that might have a positive or a negative effect on our industry.

**STAY IN THE KNOW!**



Our pre-licensing class is recognized as one of the best in the industry! Our course is designed to equip you with the knowledge and skills necessary to excel in your career as a bondsman in North Carolina. Our curriculum is comprehensive and has the most experienced instructors! Let us set you on the path to success!!

Learn more at:

<https://ncbaa.com/prelicensing/>