

# Paula Carlaftes

## ASEA Board Member



**Paula Carlaftes, CSEO, CEI**, began her career in escrow in 1978 with the intention of working in escrow for only 1 year. Now, 32 years later, Paula works as an Escrow Administrator for First American Title in Yavapai and Coconino counties. Paula has had the opportunity to not only work in escrow, but also in Trust, Account Servicing, Property Research and a little bit in Title. During the few breaks from the escrow and real estate industry, Paula obtained her Certified Legal Assistant designation and worked for a real estate attorney for 2 ½ years. Paula enjoys teaching others and has had opportunities to teach both escrow personnel and real estate agents over the years.

Paula has been involved with the Escrow Association since the mid-1990s and held several different positions with the Southern Arizona Escrow Association and as a Director for the Arizona State Escrow Association. In her opinion, the Escrow Association is one of the best ways to educate and to promote the valuable service that we provide to our clients. The hard work and dedication of the members of the Escrow Association has helped to improve the service that we provide. As the future holds many changes for our industry both procedurally and economically, Paula believes that the Escrow Association will hold an even more vital role for the continuing education of our practitioners and the public.

Born in Tucson, Arizona, Paula has spent most of her life in Arizona with a short span in California and has three wonderful children and 1 ½ grandchildren.

