

The Research Group on Legal Diversity

Established in 2011, the RGLD examines trends in diversity in the legal profession and other institutions of justice and the impact of diversity on legal processes and institutions.

Over the coming months and years, we will continue to investigate urgent questions surrounding diversity in the legal profession, meeting each spring to discuss our most recent work. We are nearing completion of a fundraising campaign to establish the William H. Neukom Fellows Research Chair in Diversity and Law, which will expand the ABF's program of research on diversity in the legal profession and the provision of equal justice in the United States.

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Second Annual Conference
May 10-11, 2013

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Conference theme & partners

This year's conference is organized around the theme of *talent*. While the core focus of the Research Group is legal diversity, the premise of this conference is that much can be learned by considering these issues within and across different professions, organizations, and societies. The conference brings together practitioner-leaders and prominent scholars to facilitate the dissemination of research and stimulate new lines of inquiry.

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Tentative schedule

*All conference sessions held in Rm. 150 of the Rubloff Building on Northwestern University's Chicago Campus
375 E. Chicago Ave., Chicago, IL 60611*

Friday, May 10

Lunch: 11:15 am - 12 pm, sessions begin at noon

Panels:

12:15-1:45: Pursuing Diverse Talent at the Top
1:55-3:25: Talent and Organizational Success
3:35-5:05: Keeping Diverse Talent

Saturday, May 11

Breakfast: 8 - 8:20 am, sessions begin at 8:20

Panels:

8:30-9:30: Diversity in Legal Education
9:40-10:55: Diversity and Change in the Professions
11:05-12:35: Persistent Inequalities in Legal Careers
12:50-1:35: Research on Equal Justice
2:00-2:45: Future directions discussion

If you wish to attend the conference, you must RSVP no later than Tuesday, April 16 to Spencer Headworth at sheadworth@abfn.org.



Speakers

Remarks from Judge Bernice B. Donald, *U.S. Court of Appeals for the 6th Circuit/ABF President*;
Daniel I. Linzer, *Provost, Northwestern U.*; Dwight McBride, *Dean of the Graduate School, Northwestern U.*;
Susie Lees, *Executive VP/General Counsel, Allstate Corp.*; Arin Reeves, *President, Nexxtions LLC*

Other speakers TBA.

Conference presenters:

Juliet Aiken, *Georgetown U.*; Louise Ashley, *U. of Kent*;
Laura Beny, *U. of Michigan*; Rachel Best, *U. of Michigan*;
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Robert Nelson, *Northwestern U./ABF*; Yung-Yi Diana Pan, *Brooklyn College*; Monique Payne-Pikus, *ABF*; Damon Phillips, *Columbia U.*; Gabriele Plickert, *ABF*; Mitt Regan, *Georgetown U.*; Nancy Reichman, *U. of Denver*; Chris Rider, *Emory U.*; Mary Rose, *U. of Texas*; Carroll Seron, *U.C. Irvine*; Carole Silver, *U. of Indiana*; Hilary Sommerlad, *U. of Birmingham*; Joyce Sterling, *U. of Denver*; Jennifer Tomlinson, *Leeds U.*; Eli Wald, *U. of Denver*; Lisa Webley, *U. of Westminster*; David Wilkins, *Harvard U.*; Albert Yoon, *U. of Toronto*

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