



National Consortium on Racial and Ethnic Fairness in the Courts 2023 Conference and Annual Meeting

Hosted by the Washington State Minority and Justice Commission

May 21-24, 2023

Seattle, WA



PRELIMINARY AGENDA

****all times listed are Pacific Standard Time ****

Sunday, May 21, 2023

- ❖ 9 a.m. – 2 p.m. DEI Collaborative Pre-Conference Meeting
(Collaborative Delegates and Consortium Board only)
- ❖ 1 p.m. – 5 p.m. Conference Registration
- ❖ 3 p.m. – 5 p.m. National Consortium Pre-Conference Board Meeting
- ❖ 5:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m. Opening Program Reception featuring [Mambo Cadillac](#)

Monday, May 22, 2023

- ❖ 7 a.m. – 8:15 a.m. Breakfast
- ❖ 8:20 a.m. – 8:50 a.m. Opening Remarks
- ❖ 9 a.m. – Noon **Annual WA Supreme Court Symposium**
Beyond the Bench: Exploring How a Judge's Decisions Can Impact Health featuring [Salus Populi: Educating the Judiciary about the Social Determinants of Health](#), presented by the Center for Health Policy and Law at Northeastern University School of Law and the Institute for Health Equity and Social Justice Research at Northeastern University

Speakers:

- Mehreen Butt, Managing Director, Northeastern School of Law Center for Health Policy and Law
- Clinical Professor Shan Mohammed MD, MPH, FAAFP, Northeastern University
- Professor Wendy Parmet, Faculty Director, Northeastern School of Law Center for Health Policy and Law

**** This Symposium is an annual event sponsored by the Supreme Court of Washington. The Symposium is open to the public and will be livestreamed by TVW. ****

- ❖ 12:15 p.m. – 1 p.m. Lunch
- ❖ 1:15 p.m. – 3:15 p.m. State of the States Session
- ❖ 3:15 p.m. – 3:30 p.m. Break

Monday, May 22, 2023 (continuation)

- ❖ 3:30 p.m. – 6:30 p.m. **Conference Keynote Address with Film Screening of “Who We Are: A Chronicle of Racism in America” and Discussion featuring Jeffery Robinson, Founder of [The Who We Are Project](#)**

Tuesday, May 23, 2023

- ❖ 7 a.m. – 8:15 a.m. Breakfast
- ❖ 8:20 a.m. – 8:30 a.m. Morning Remarks
- ❖ 8:30 a.m. – 8:40 a.m. Film Viewing: *Tribute to Secretary Norman Y. Mineta*
- ❖ 8:40 a.m. – 10 a.m. **Plenary Session Part I: *Japanese American Incarceration Authors Panel: Forced Removal, Patriotism, & Resistance***

Speakers:

- Aura Newlin, Executive Director, Heart Mountain Wyoming Foundation
- Shirley Higuchi, American Psychological Association, Chair of the Heart Mountain Wyoming Foundation
- Frank Abe, Lead Author and Scriptwriter of *We Hereby Refuse: Japanese American Resistance to Wartime Incarceration* graphic novel
- Daniel James Brown, Author of *Facing the Mountain: A True Story of Japanese American Heroes in World War II*

- ❖ 10 a.m. – 10:20 a.m. Break and Book Signing
- ❖ 10:20 a.m. – 11:40 a.m. **Plenary Session Part II: *Japanese American Incarceration during WWII and its Relation to Modern Justice Movements***

Speakers:

- Lorraine Bannai, Professor Emeritus and Director Emeritus, Fred T. Korematsu Center for Law and Equality, Seattle University School of Law
- Professor Eric Yamamoto, University of Hawaii School of Law
- Professor Mark Chinen, Seattle University School of Law

- ❖ 11:45 a.m. – 1:15 p.m. Achievement in Equity Awards Luncheon
- ❖ 1:15 p.m. - 1:30 p.m. Break
- ❖ 1:30 p.m. – 3 p.m. **Educational Breakout Sessions**

- **Supporting Diverse, Inclusive, and Representative Juries through Data, Science, and Inclusive Practices**

Speakers:

- Judge Steve Rosen, King County Superior Court, WA
- Chris Gaddis, Pierce County Superior Court Administrator, WA
- Jessica Lewis Kelly, Special Assistant to the Administrative Director, NJ Courts
- Brian McLaughlin, Chief of Programs and Procedures, NJ Courts
- Lisa R. Burke, Diversity, Inclusion, and Community Engagement Program Officer, NJ Courts

- **Does “Crimmigration Law” Vitiolate Gideon’s Promise?**

Speakers:

- Professor César Cuauhtémoc García Hernández, The Ohio State University School of Law
- Professor R. Andrew Free, UW School of Law Visiting Scholar, Founder of #DetentionKills
- Tim Warden-Hertz, Directing Attorney, Northwest Immigrant Rights Project
- Rosario Daza, Immigration Attorney, Co-founder of the Washington Immigration Defense Group

- **Giving Context for Equity in Courts: Where Lived Expertise, Trauma-Informed Care, and Belonging Intersect**

Speakers:

- Meghan Fitzgerald, PhD, Family Treatment Court Training Coordinator, WA Courts
- Manisha Jackson, Family Recovery Support Specialist, King County Superior Court, WA
- Gabrielle Cranor, Mason County Family Recovery Support Caseworker, WA
- Jill Murphy, Family Treatment Court Program Supervisor, King County Superior Court, WA

- **The Role of Art in Social Justice Work**

Speakers:

- Judge Anthony Gipe, Kent Municipal Court, WA
- Local artists to be announced

❖ 3 p.m. – 3:15 p.m. Break

❖ 3:15 p.m. – 4:45 p.m. **Educational Breakout Sessions**

- **Language Access in Judicial Environments and Implicit Bias and Trauma-Informed Training for Court Staff**

Speakers:

- Commissioner Jonathan Lack, King County Superior Court, WA
- LaTricia Kinlow, Court Administrator, Tukwila Municipal Court, WA

- **How Courts Reinforce and Perpetuate Social & Economic Injustice Against Racialized Communities: A Case Study of Private and Criminal Debt Collection**

Speakers:

- Professor Alexes Harris, PhD, University of Washington
- Prachi Dave, Managing Director of Policy and Advocacy, Civil Survival
- Karen M. Phillips, Assistant Managing Attorney, Northwest Justice Project
- Anita Belcher, Former Northwest Justice Project Client with Lived Experience

- **Results, Not Activities: Advancing Diversity, Supporting Inclusion, and Promoting the Interruption/Elimination of Bias through Judiciary Action Plans to Ensure Equal Justice**

Speakers:

- Jessica Lewis Kelly, Special Assistant to the Administrative Director, NJ Courts
- Brian McLaughlin, Chief of Programs and Procedures, NJ Courts
- Janie Rodriguez, Chief of Litigant Services and Outreach, NJ Courts
- Gurpreet Singh, Trial Court Administrator, NJ Courts
- Lisa R. Burke, Diversity, Inclusion, and Community Engagement Program Officer, NJ Courts

- **Protected & Served? Experiences of LGBTQ+ People and People Living with HIV in the Criminal Legal System**

Speaker:

- Richard Saenz, Senior Attorney, Lambda Legal

- ❖ 5 p.m. – 8 p.m. Networking Event at [WOW \(Wonder of Women\) Gallery](#) in Downtown Seattle

Wednesday, May 24, 2023

- ❖ 7 a.m. – 8:15 a.m. Breakfast
- ❖ 8:20 a.m. – 8:35 a.m. Morning Remarks
- ❖ 8:35 a.m. – 10:05 a.m. **Plenary Session: Tribal State Court Consortium (TSCC) Tribal Judge Panel**
*This session will be livestreamed by TVW. ****

Speakers:

- Chief Judge Cindy Smith, Suquamish Tribal Court, TSCC Co-chair
- Moderator: Acting Chief Judge Lori K. Smith, WA State Court of Appeals Division I, TSCC Co-chair
- Chief Justice Anita Dupris, Colville Tribal Court of Appeals
- Chief Judge Ronna Washines, Yakama Nation Tribal Court
- Chief Judge John Haupt, Makah Tribal Court

- ❖ 10:05 a.m. – 10:20 a.m. Break
- ❖ 10:20 a.m. – 11:45 a.m. **Plenary Session: Yesterday, Today, and Still Tomorrow: A Leadership Roundtable on the Work of Racial and Ethnic Justice in the Courts**
- ❖ 11:45 a.m. - Noon Conclusion of Conference and Closing Remarks
- ❖ 1 p.m. – 3 p.m. National Consortium Post-Conference Board Meeting

The conference program is subject to updates and revisions.