

# Civic Learning Initiative COUNCIL ON PUBLIC LEGAL EDUCATION

**SUMMIT 2** 



### WESTIN SEATTLE GRAND BALLROOM

### GUEST OF HONOR U.S. Supreme Court Associate Justice Sonia Sotomayor



Sonia Sotomayor, Associate Justice, was born in Bronx, New York, on June 25, 1954. She earned a B.A. in 1976 from Princeton University, graduating summa cum laude and receiving the university's highest academic honor. In 1979, she earned a J.D. from Yale Law School where she served as an editor of the Yale Law Journal. She thereafter served as Assistant District Attorney in the New York County District Attorney's Office from 1979–1984. She then litigated international commercial matters in New York City at Pavia & Harcourt, where she was an associate and then partner from

1984–1992. In 1991, President George H.W. Bush nominated her to the U.S. District Court, Southern District of New York, and she served in that role from 1992–1998. She then served as a judge on the United States Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit from 1998–2009. President Barack Obama nominated her as an Associate Justice of the Supreme Court on May 26, 2009, and she assumed this role August 8, 2009.

### About the Council on Public Legal Education

The Council on Public Legal Education is a program of lawforwa.org, a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization in Washington State that has worked for the last twenty years to ensure that all within the state learn and exercise their civic rights and responsibilities. In 2017, it formally launched the Civic Learning Initiative to ensure that all students in Washington have access to high-quality civic education. It has established local civic learning partnerships with school districts that represent underserved youth. It is collaborating on a legislative strategy to implement a state requirement of a stand-alone civic graduation requirement, statewide professional development and more local civic learning partnerships. Today Justice Sotomayor will launch the Council's iCivicsWA website, www.icivics.org/teachers/wa, the localized version of the national online iCivics curriculum.



### > 2:00 P.M.

### Introductions

#### **Margaret Fisher**

Lead, Civic Learning Initiative

> 2:05 P.M.

### Civic Learning Initiative Overview

#### **Judge Marlin Appelwick**

Washington Court of Appeals, Division I

> 2:15 P.M.

### Welcome

#### **Chief Justice Mary Fairhurst**

Washington Supreme Court

### > 2:20 P.M.

### Storypath Civic Demonstration

### **Dr. Margit McGuire**

Seattle University, College of Education

Shari Wennik's Echo Lake Elementary School students will present their recommendations on where to locate low-income housing in Seattle.

#### **>** 2:40 P.M.

### Youth Court Traffic Hearing Demonstration

#### Judge Karen Matson Donohue

Seattle Municipal Court

#### **Corey Martin**

Youth Court Advisor, Garfield High School

A high school student who received an actual traffic ticket in Seattle will appear before a panel of three peer judges and a peer jury. The judges will question the defendant's testimony and a Seattle police officer will testify about the impact of this type of infraction and offer sentencing advice. The jury will then determine an appropriate sentence based on restorative justice principles.

#### > 3:00 P.M.

### iCivicsWA Launch

#### Louise Dubé

Executive Director, iCivics

#### **Margaret Fisher**

Lead, Civic Learning Initiative

> 3:05 P.M.

### BREAK Visit Student Displays

Interact with students in the foyer as they present their displays about civic learning programs.

### > 3:30 P.M.

### **Panel Discussion**

How Can Civic Education Be Strengthened in Our State — for All Students of All Ages?

#### **Dr. Walter Parker**

Facilitator; Professor of Education and Political Science, University of Washington

### **Cindy Aden**

Washington State Librarian

#### **David Beard**

Policy and Advocacy Director, School's Out Washington

#### **Dr. Frank Hewins**

Superintendent, Franklin Pierce School District

### **Kevin McKay**

Superintendent, Sunnyside School District

### **Chris Reykdal**

Washington Superintendent of Public Instruction

#### **Kim Wyman**

Washington Secretary of State

### **>** 4:15 P.M.

### Conversation with U.S. Supreme Court Associate Justice Sonia Sotomayor

### Eric Liu

Founder, CEO, Citizen University

**>** 5:00 P.M.

## **Summit Concludes**

**CINDY ADEN** was appointed as the Washington State Librarian in 2016 by Secretary of State Kim Wyman. Cindy has worked at the Library of Congress, the University of Washington Libraries, and Kitsap Regional Library. She was the first professional librarian hired by Amazon and also worked with Corbis and the Online Computer Library Center.

MARLIN APPELWICK is co-founder and co-chair of the Council on Public Legal Education. Judge Appelwick joined the Court of Appeals, Division I, in 1998. He came to the court from 18 years of private practice, combined with 16 years as a member of the Washington State Legislature. In his final three years in the legislature, he served as the House Democratic Leader.

**DAVID BEARD** is the policy and advocacy director at School's Out Washington, focusing on expanding learning opportunities after school and in the summer. David is the former policy director at the Washington State Council for Children and Families and spent five years in the DC-Baltimore area where he worked for The Pew Charitable Trusts.

KAREN MATSON DONOHUE currently serves as the Presiding Judge of Seattle Municipal Court. She joined the bench in January 2011. Judge Donohue also serves as codirector of Seattle Youth Traffic Court, which formally began in 2012. Judge Donohue frequently volunteers as a youth mock trial judge and speaks to elementary, high school and law students about the law and the court system.

**LOUISE DUBÉ** serves as Executive Director at iCivics. Louise has been developing and implementing educational technology solutions in schools for over 20 years. She began her career as an attorney in Montreal, Canada, and holds a law degree from McGill University, as well as an MBA from Yale.

**MARY FAIRHURST** became Chief Justice of the Washington Supreme Court in 2017 and began her service as a justice in 2003. She was the court's representative to the Council on Public Legal Education. She is an ambassador of the iCivics program and is active with the YMCA Youth and Government Program and We the People. She regularly speaks to individuals and groups of all ages about the justice system.

MARGARET E. FISHER is an attorney with 40 years providing civic learning to young people in state, national and international settings. She is the lead on the Civic Learning Initiative. She works with the Administrative Office of the Courts to involve the judiciary in civic learning. She also teaches Street Law, co-directs a youth court at Seattle University School of Law, and serves as the iCivics Coordinator for Washington.

**FRANK HEWINS** is the Superintendent of Franklin Pierce School District in Tacoma and was named 2018 Washington State Superintendent of the Year. He began his education career as a teacher and served over the next 40 years as an assistant high school principal, high school principal, executive director of PK-12 education, and assistant superintendent. He is a past-president of the Washington Association of School Administrators and current member of the American Association of School Administrators Governing Board. **ERIC LIU** is the founder and CEO of Citizen University, which promotes and teaches the art of powerful citizenship through a portfolio of national programs, and is the Executive Director of the Aspen Institute Citizenship and American Identity Program. He teaches civic leadership at the University of Washington and has published numerous books, most recently, *You're More Powerful Than You Think: A Citizen's Guide to Making Change Happen*.

**COREY MARTIN** has been a history and English language arts teacher at Garfield High School in Seattle for the past eight years. In addition to advising the school newspaper, he has advised the youth traffic court since its founding six years ago.

**MARGIT E. McGUIRE**, a longtime member of the Council on Public Legal Education, is a professor of teacher education at Seattle University and former president of the National Council for the Social Studies. She has presented nationally and internationally on topics related to social studies and teacher preparation. As the author of the Storypath Program, she has co-taught Storypaths with classroom teachers in highly diverse low-income classrooms.

**KEVIN McKAY** is the Superintendent of the Sunnyside School District. Kevin began his career in public education in 1988 as a high school social studies teacher, where he taught the importance of civics and our history. He has also served as an assistant principal, athletic director, vocational education director, and middle school and high school principal. Kevin has held leadership positions on a variety of state advisory boards and committees and is an active member of numerous organizations that support public education.

**WALTER PARKER** is a professor of education and political science at the University of Washington. He studies K-12 social studies education and the civic development of youth. He has developed a project-based approach to the high school AP course, U. S. Government and Politics, and an inquiry-based approach to elementary school social studies. His books include *Teaching Democracy, Educating the Democratic Mind*, and *Social Studies Today: Research and Practice*.

CHRIS REYKDAL was elected Washington State Superintendent of Public Education in November 2016, after serving in the state legislature for six years. He began his career as a school teacher and later served on a local school board and as an executive in the state's public community and technical college system.

KIM WYMAN is Washington's 15th Secretary of State. First elected in 2012, she is serving her second term and is only the second female Secretary of State in Washington's history. Prior to being elected to this office, Kim served as Thurston County Elections Director for nearly a decade and was elected Thurston County Auditor from 2001–2013.

