



**The Lawyers' Committee for Civil Rights and Economic Justice** fosters equal opportunity and fights discrimination on behalf of people of color and immigrants. We engage in creative and courageous legal action, education, and advocacy, in collaboration with law firms and community partners.

# SYMPOSIUM ON THE LEGACY AND FUTURE OF CIVIL RIGHTS

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 20, 2018



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# PROGRAM

12:00 PM **Registration** — *Light lunch served*

12:15 PM **Welcome by Iván Espinoza-Madrugal**, *Executive Director, Lawyers' Committee*

12:20 - 1:30 PM **Litigating In The Era Of Trump**

The Lawyers' Committee for Civil Rights and Economic Justice filed the first lawsuits in the country against the Trump Administration on behalf of sanctuary cities; to save TPS on behalf of Haitian, Honduran, and Salvadoran immigrants; and to block immigration arrests in courthouses. This panel will focus on legal strategies being deployed to protect children, families, and communities.

- Iván Espinoza-Madrugal, *Executive Director, Lawyers' Committee*
- Oren Nimni, *Attorney, Lawyers' Committee*
- Prof. Ragini Shah, *Suffolk University Law School*
- Jonathan Miller, *Bureau Chief, Attorney General's Office*
- Patricia Montes, *Executive Director, Centro Presente*
- Natalicia Tracy, *Executive Director, Brazilian Worker Center*
- Gladys Vega, *Executive Director, Chelsea Collaborative*

1:40 - 2:50 PM **Generating Wealth In Communities Of Color**

The widening wealth gap in Boston and across the country is a worrisome sign that millions of families do not have enough in assets to offer better opportunities for future generations. In Boston, while white households have a median wealth of \$247,500, Dominicans and U.S. Blacks have a median wealth of close to zero according to the Federal Reserve. This panel will discuss innovative legal and entrepreneurial strategies addressing wealth disparities.

- Anna Dodson, *Goodwin LLP*
- Priya Lane, *Economic Justice Project Director, Lawyers' Committee*
- Jen Fagel, *Executive Director, CommonWealth Kitchen*
- Glynn Lloyd, *Executive Director, The Business Equity Initiative*
- Prof. Loletta Darden, *Suffolk University Law School*
- Larry Andrews, *President & CEO, MA Growth Capital Corp.*

3:00 - 4:10 PM **How To Develop Civil Rights Litigation**

This panel will focus on the nuts-and-bolts of developing strategic impact litigation in key civil rights areas, including housing and employment.

- Sophia Hall, *Attorney, Lawyers' Committee*
- Laura Maslow-Armand, *Attorney, Lawyers' Committee*
- Prof. Mark Brodin, *Boston College Law School*
- Prof. Bill Berman, *Suffolk Law School Housing Clinic*
- Steve Churchill, *FairWork PC*

4:20 - 5:30 PM **The Future Of Community Representation When Diversity Is Under Attack**

Diversity is under attack in higher education and other contexts. This panel will focus on community-driven legal strategies being advanced to protect vulnerable students and marginalized communities.

- Oren Sellstrom, *Litigation Director, Lawyers' Committee*
- Tanisha Sullivan, *President, NAACP Boston Chapter*
- Jessica Tang, *President, Boston Teachers Union*
- Prof. Kim McLaurin, *Suffolk University Law School*
- Prof. Renee Landers, *Suffolk University Law School*

5:30 - 6:30 PM **Wine/Beer Reception**



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