

20th Annual Meeting

NATIONAL CONSORTIUM ON RACIAL AND ETHNIC FAIRNESS IN THE COURTS



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***Celebrating the Courts in an Inclusive Society:
Ensuring Fairness in America's State Courts***

April 29 to May 2, 2008

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The Washington State Minority and Justice Commission is pleased to host the 20th Annual Meeting of the National Consortium on Racial and Ethnic Fairness in the Courts at the Sheraton Seattle Hotel in Seattle, Washington from April 29 to May 2, 2008.

The Washington State Commission joined with the then only existing commissions (created by the highest courts of their States) in New York, Michigan and New Jersey to establish the National Consortium in 1987. From that beginning the Consortium has grown with representation of at least 30 State commissions which will be represented at this 20th Annual Meeting.

The Washington State Minority and Justice Commission was established by the Washington State Supreme Court in 1987 initially as the Minority and Justice Task Force. It was established as a Commission by court order in 1990 for five years with subsequent renewal orders in 1995, 2000 and 2005 (through the year 2010). In sponsoring the Minority and Justice Commission the Supreme Court acknowledges there is a continuing need to identify and eradicate all racial, ethnic, religious and cultural bias from our State court system.

The Washington State Commission is chaired by Associate Chief Justice Charles W. Johnson and retired Justice Charles Z. Smith. Its members are appointed by the Supreme Court and its technical support members are appointed by the Commission. Members consist of State and Federal judges, law school deans and professors, lawyers, administrators and other lay persons.

The Washington State Minority and Justice Commission and the Washington State Supreme Court welcome the National Consortium, its Moderator, Justice Marilyn Kelly, its Moderator-Elect, Judge Clarence J. Jones, its Board of Directors and all participants in this 20th Annual Meeting in Seattle.

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TENTATIVE AGENDA

Tuesday, April 29

- 4:00 PM Registration
- 6:00 PM Opening Public Reception

Wednesday, April 30

- 8:00 AM Continental Breakfast
- 9:00 AM Plenary Session/
Keynote Speaker
- 10:00 AM Plenary Session/Speaker
- 11:00 AM Annual Corporate Meeting
- 12:00 Noon Luncheon
- 2:00 PM Plenary Session/Speaker
- 4:00 PM Reports from Constituent
Commissions
- 5:00 PM Recess for the Day/
Recreational Activity

Thursday, May 1

- 8:00 AM Continental Breakfast
- 9:00 AM Plenary Session/
Keynote Speaker
- 12:00 Noon Luncheon
- 2:00 PM Plenary Session/Speaker
- 3:00 PM Reports from Constituent
Commissions
- 4:00 PM Plenary Session/Speaker
- 5:00 PM Recess for the Day/
Recreational Activity

Friday, May 2

- 8:00 AM Continental Breakfast
- 9:00 AM Plenary Session/
Keynote Speaker
- 10:00 AM Plenary Session/Speaker
- 11:00 AM Reports from Constituent
Commissions
- 12:00 Noon Luncheon
- 2:00 PM Plenary Session/Speaker
- 3:00 PM Plenary Session/Speaker
- 4:00 PM Plenary Session/Speaker
- 5:00 PM Preliminary Recess
for the Day
- 7:00 PM Closing Dinner for
20th Annual Meeting
- 9:00 PM Adjournment to
21st Annual Meeting

Hotel Reservations

Please contact the Sheraton Seattle Hotel direct indicating your attendance at the meeting of the National Consortium on Racial and Ethnic Fairness in the Courts (National Center for State Courts) April 29—May 2, 2008. The conference rate is \$152.00 plus tax per night single or double occupancy. To ensure the conference rate you must make your reservations by April 11, 2008. Rooms may not be available at the conference rate, if at all, after that date.

Transportation from Seattle-Tacoma Airport to Downtown Seattle

Public transportation is available by Metro (King County) bus, commercial buses, shuttle vans, taxicabs, town cars and limousines. One commercial bus company, Gray Line, provides transportation direct to downtown Seattle hotels including the Sheraton Seattle Hotel. Its published rates are \$10.25 one way and \$17.00 round trip. Approximate one-way costs for shuttle vans is \$27.00, for town cars \$30.00 and taxicabs \$35.00. These rates may vary.

Speakers

Speakers include former Virginia Justice John Charles Thomas; Dr. Pamela Casey. National Campaign to Ensure the Racial and Ethnic Fairness of America's State Courts; Dr. Eddie Moore, Jr., Director of Diversity, The Bush School; Judge Douglas W. Luna, Intertribal Court System; Ms. Sheryl J. Willert, Expert Employment Attorney; Larry Fehr, Pioneer Human Services; Ibrahim Hamide, S. S. Krishna Singh Khalsa, S. S. Sathanuman Singh Khalsa, Ms. Rita Zawaideh, and Heminder Singh, panel on Arab, Muslim and Sikh American Neighbors; and Larry Fehr, Vice President, Pioneer Human Services.

Subjects

Subjects include Workforce Diversity; Offender Rehabilitation through Human Services; Chief Justices Speak; Current Trends in Law School Admissions; Law Clerk Mentoring and Hiring; Interaction with Indian Tribal Courts; Latino Youth in our Society; White Privilege in America; and Language Interpreting.

Entertainment

Entertainment will include a performances by "The Sound of the Northwest," a choral group; and Ewajo, a dance ensemble directed by Ms. Edna Daigre, international exponent of the dance.

Field Trips and Visits

Field trips and visits will include El Centro de la Raza; the Northwest African American Museum; the Seattle Asian Art Museum; the Seattle University William J. Sullivan School of Law; and the University of Washington William H. Gates School of Law.



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REGISTRATION FEES

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| ☐ \$300 Payment received by April 15, 2008 | \$ _____ |
| ☐ \$400 Payment received after April 15, 2008 | \$ _____ |
| ☐ \$200 Attorneys for CLE credits only (does not include meal functions)
Subject to Bar Association approval | \$ _____ |
| ☐ \$200 Guest of Registrant (includes badges, luncheons, receptions and dinner) | \$ _____ |
| Total | \$ _____ |

Tickets will also be available for purchase (Luncheons \$50 each day; dinner \$100 Friday, May 2)

Make checks payable to: National Center for State Courts
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