



23rd Annual Conference of the National Consortium on Racial and Ethnic Fairness in the Courts



Diversity

AND ALL THAT

A Multi-Edged Sword



Wednesday, April 27 – Friday, April 29, 2011

(Immediately preceding the 1st weekend of the New Orleans Jazz & Heritage Festival)

Conference Registration Guide

**Omni ~ Royal Orleans
New Orleans, Louisiana**

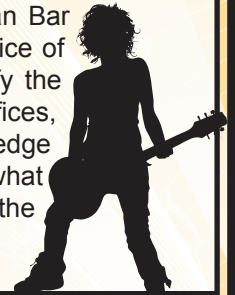
Sponsored by the National Consortium on Racial and Ethnic Fairness in the Courts, the Louisiana State Bar Association, and its Committee on Diversity in the Profession, the New Orleans Bar Association, and the LSU, Loyola, Southern, and Tulane Law Schools

ABOUT THE CONFERENCE

Race! Ethnicity! Different Cultures! Why learn about other's views? Is race still an issue now that we have an African-American President? How can having diversity improve the quality of justice? What's really going on nationally and in our state courts regarding our differences? Learn what's actually happening and not the usual political hype!

Today, more than ever, people are demanding that their lawyers and courts be diverse in ethnicity and race. By the year 2050, more than half of the U.S. population will be non-Caucasian.

The fights today – fights with swords of proverbial, multi-cultural edges – are quietly but persistently being fought on varying battlefields across the country – by state bar associations, the American Bar Association, and local, state, and federal governments - that will affect the continued practice of law in every courtroom throughout this century. The conference program will help identify the controversies and concerns involving diversity issues that are flooding law schools, law offices, judges' chambers, and courtrooms. Breakout session presentations will address cutting edge techniques aimed at developing an understanding as to where we're headed and why, and what can be done to affect real change and exact justice and fairness in the practice of law and the administration of justice.



PLENARY PRESENTATIONS

Enhancing Outcomes for Youthful and Minority Participants in Drug Courts • Race and Disabilities • Neuroscience of Decision Making and Bias in the Courts • Diversifying Law Firms and Courts to Satisfy Litigants' Needs • Armoring Against Prosecutorial Discretion • A Mediator's Arsenal for Resolving Disputes Amongst Multi-Cultural Litigants • The Relevance of Culture in Adjudicating Domestic Violence Cases • Treating Litigants with Respect Regardless of Race, Color, or Creed



BREAKOUT SESSIONS



Marche: The Advancement of Women in the Law • *Rapiere*: Racial Diversity in Jury Selection • *Parry*: Reducing Recidivism in Criminal Justice • *Salle d'armes*: Racial and Ethnic Considerations in the International Arena • *Dague*: Influence of Race on Blended Sentencing Decisions for Juvenile Offenders • *Estramaçon*: Delivery of Legal Services to Minorities • *Retraite*: Aging Prisoners-When is Enough Enough? • *Passé*: Missing the Mark when Communicating with Limited-English Proficient Clients • *Conversation*: Role of Law Schools in the Administration of Justice • *Phrase*: Defendants with Substance Dependence Disorders: What Do We Do Now? • *Invite*: Due Process for Non-English Speakers in the Courts



Wednesday, April 27, 2011

3 pm – 8 pm: Registration
6 pm – 8 pm: Opening Program, Address, and Welcome Reception



Thursday, April 28, 2011

7am – 8am: Breakfast
8am– 8:15 am: Welcome to Conference
8:15– 9:30 am: Plenary Session
9:45 – 10:45 am: Plenary Session
11 – 12:00: Concurrent Breakout Sessions A1 – A4
12 – 1:15 pm: Plated Lunch with Keynote Speaker
1:15 – 2:15 pm: Concurrent Breakout Sessions B1 – B4
2:30 – 3:30 pm: Plenary Session
3:45 – 4:45 pm: Concurrent Breakout Sessions C1 – C3
5:30 – 7:00 pm: Cocktail Reception

Friday, April 29, 2011

7 am – 8 am: Breakfast
8 am – 8:15 am: Welcome-Registration
8:15 am – Noon: Plenary Sessions
Noon – 1:15 pm: Brown Bag Lunch
1:15 pm – 5 pm: Plenary Sessions
5:30 pm – 7 pm: Cocktail Reception



(Program meeting times are subject to change)

**VISIT WWW.CONSORTIUMONLINE.NET/ANNUALMEETING.HTML
FOR ADDITIONAL CONFERENCE DETAILS.**

23rd Annual Conference and Meeting of the NATIONAL CONSORTIUM ON RACIAL AND ETHNIC FAIRNESS IN THE COURTS DIVERSITY AND ALL THAT JAZZ – A MULTI-EDGED SWORD

CONFERENCE REGISTRATION FORM

REGISTER on the Internet:

Go to consortiumonline.net/annualmeeting.html
Click the link to access the online
registration system

By Fax:

(757) 259-1520

By Mail:

National Consortium on Racial and Ethnic
Fairness in the Courts
c/o National Center for State Courts
300 Newport Avenue
Williamsburg, VA 23185

Name: _____ Title: _____
First MI Last

Address: _____

Email: _____ Phone: _____

Cell Phone: _____ Fax: _____

Special Needs (Physical or Dietary) _____

The registration fee includes admission to entire conference and the following: opening reception of food and beverage, two breakfasts, one plated luncheon, one gourmet brown bag lunch, two evening receptions of food and beverage, and breakout refreshments. Guests of registrant may attend the three receptions, luncheon, and lunch by paying the separate fee as indicated.

Registration Type:	Regular	Late
	Before April 1	After March 31
For Participant	() \$485.00	() \$525.00
For Guest: (name _____)		
Receptions	() \$90.00	() \$100.00
Plated Luncheon 4/28/11	() \$30.00	() \$35.00
Brown Bag Lunch 4/29/11	() \$25.00	() \$25.00

Payment Method and Authorization

- () Enclosed is a check for \$ _____ payable to National Center for State Courts (Federal Tax ID # 52-0914250)
() Charge \$ _____ to MasterCard / Visa / American Express (circle one)

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Cancellation and Refund Policy: Cancellation of registration must be made in writing and faxed to (757) 259-1520. A refund minus a \$60 processing fee will be issued for cancellations received by fax 5:00 p.m. EDT on April 11, 2011. A refund minus a \$120 processing fee will be issued for cancellations received by fax after 5:00 p.m. EDT on April 11, 2011 through 5:00 p.m. on April 21, 2011. No refunds will be issued for "no shows" or for cancellation received after 5:00 p.m. EDT on April 21, 2011.

QUESTIONS

Registration (757) 259-1841 or (800) 615-6165 - NCSC

Conference: (504) 412-6074 or Fax (504) 412-6077 - NCREFC



ABOUT THE NEW ORLEANS JAZZ FEST

This year's convention takes place immediately preceding the opening weekend of the world-renowned "Jazz Fest." The 10-day festival features artists from the worlds of jazz, rhythm and blues, gospel, Afro-Caribbean, Cajun, Latin, zydeco, rock, country/western, and other musical genres appearing on 12 stages. The festival also features the best of Louisiana's specialty foods such as shrimp and soft-shelled crab po'boys, crawfish Monica, alligator sauce piquante, and of course, boiled crawfish. The festival also offers a wide variety of crafts in three distinct areas: Contemporary, Congo Square, and folk. The juried vendors represent the best artists from both Louisiana and around the country.

HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS

The conference is being held at the Omni Royal Orleans, a four-diamond luxury hotel located in the heart of the historic French Quarter (621 Royal Street), directly across from the Louisiana Supreme Court and only blocks away from Jackson Square. Participants must make their own hotel reservations. A block of rooms is being held at the conference rate of \$209 per night plus taxes, which rate is available from Tuesday through Saturday. To receive the conference rate, all reservations must be made by 5:00 p.m. on March 26, 2011. To make hotel reservations, call 1-800-843-6664 and mention the NCREFC to secure the convention rate. For the hotel reservation to be valid, you must attend the conference. For more information about the hotel and its numerous amenities, visit <http://www.omnihotels.com/FindAHotel/NewOrleansRoyalOrleans.aspx>

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