

Join us for **Pro Bono Week 2021** October 25-29



MONDAY, OCTOBER 25TH | 12:00-1:30PM — ZOOM

Racial Trauma in Communities and Individuals: Increase Your Awareness; Increase Your Effectiveness.

Speakers: Resmaa Menakem, (MSW, LICSW) Hamra Ahmad (J.D.)

Providing competent legal representation to all clients, including pro bono clients, goes beyond mastering the substantive law and administrative procedures. A fully proficient attorney meets the client where they are at and understands racial trauma and challenges that black and indigenous people of color (BIPOC) face in the US legal system and society at large. Join us for a question-and-answer session with Resmaa Menakem, Minnesota resident, national speaker, and author of *My Grandmother's Hands*, on the topic of pro bono representation within the realm of transformational change and understanding racialized trauma. Hamra Ahmad, Director of Law & Policy at HerJustice, will follow with a presentation that aims to provide practical tools for lawyers to address challenges faced by people living in poverty and to recognize the strengths and positive attributes that clients bring to the attorney-client relationship.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 26TH | 12:00PM-1:30PM — ZOOM

The Good, the Bad, and the Ugly: Immigration Misinformation Through the Ages

Speakers: Michele Garnett McKenzie, (J.D.), Tim Sanders Szabo (J.D.), Lindsey Greising (J.D.)

Join us to learn more about the past and the present of immigration law in the United States. Presenters from The Advocates for Human Rights and Immigrant Law Center of Minnesota will highlight issues in immigration laws in the past and provide updates on many of the immigration topics that you have been seeing in the news.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 27TH, 12:00PM-1:30PM — ZOOM

Love Letter from the Boondocks: Debunking the Myths of Rural Justice

Speakers: Dr. Michele Statz (PhD.), Judge Jessica Ryan (J.D.), Sarwa Karki (J.D.)

Rurality encompasses a wide variety of people, identities, legal needs and strengths but we don't always talk about it that way. Join legal anthropologist Michele Statz, former Tribal Court Judge Jessica Ryan, and immigration lawyer Sara Karki for a discussion about legal needs and legal services in rural Minnesota. Drawing on their experiences, they'll talk about common misperceptions and provide insights about working in greater Minnesota. We'll highlight the diversity found in rural Minnesota and discuss how to serve the community effectively.

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