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WOMEN IN LAW SUMMIT 2018

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⌚ 8:30 – 9:00 A.M. **CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST AND CHECK-IN**

⌚ 9:00 – 9:15 A.M. **WELCOME REMARKS**
Kathryn Conway | Marianne Deagle | Elizabeth Winiarski

⌚ 9:15 – 10:45 A.M. **BREAKING THROUGH BIAS: COMMUNICATION TECHNIQUES FOR WOMEN**
Alton B. Harris | Andrea S. Kramer

Ms. Kramer and Mr. Harris will explain the stereotypes that hold women back and present an integrated set of communication techniques that women can use to avoid the discriminatory consequences of these stereotypes and overcome these biases.

⌚ 10:45 – 11:00 A.M. **BREAK**
5-Minute Mindful Movement Exercise with LulaFit

⌚ 11:00 – 12:00 P.M. **CHARTING YOUR OWN PATH: ROADS TO SUCCESS**
Moderator: Kathryn Conway/Courtney Wylie
Jen Dawson | Desiree F. Moore | Jesse Ruiz

Although many lawyers think of their career pathway in a linear way, the truth is that careers are often anything but linear. Success and the roads to success in law are more diverse than many realize. On this panel, participants will hear from leaders in law with unique career stories on how they charted their own path to success. They will discuss the obstacles faced, the unexpected situations that they encountered, and the strategies and relationships that helped them forge their own roads to success.

⌚ 12:00 – 1:00 P.M. **PROGRESSIVE NETWORKING LUNCH**

⌚ 1:00 – 2:00 P.M. **TURNING YOUR STRESS INTO YOUR STRENGTH: THE POWER OF “NO” AND “YES, PLEASE”**
Courtney O. Wylie | Amy M. Gardner | Jeena Cho

Learn about the benefits and detriments of stress and how to harness it to your advantage. Why you need to say no to be able to say yes to your career and life and how to do it effectively. Understand how to discern the difference between busy and productive so you can maximize your time. Participants will leave with actionable techniques they can employ immediately to become more effective as leaders in life and law.

⌚ 2:00 – 3:00 P.M. **LEADING AS WOMEN: WHAT REALLY WORKS**
Moderator: Elizabeth Winiarski
Jennifer Breuer | Kimberly G. Metrick | Nicole Nocera | Tina Tabacchi

In a male dominated profession, woman can struggle with finding an effective and authentic leadership style. The panelists will discuss how they have found success as leaders throughout their careers. They will discuss the strategies that worked for them as women, what obstacles they faced and how they overcame them, what helped them find their effective brand of leadership, and how they have helped other women in the profession to become leaders themselves.

⌚ 3:00 – 3:15 P.M. **BREAK**
5-Minute Mindful Movement Exercise with LulaFit

⌚ 3:15 – 4:15 P.M. **THE MALE PERSPECTIVE: SUPPORTING WOMEN AS LEADERS IN LAW**
Moderator: Alton B. Harris
Gerald J. Bekkerman | Peter B. Bensinger, Jr. | Hon. Thomas R. Mulroy | John C. Stiglich II

To solve any problem, we must first seek to understand it and then partner with people willing to help change it. This panel will provide a male perspective on the issues women face in the practice of law, how to women can gain support from their male counterparts to make a difference, how these men work to support their female colleagues, and what more can be done on both sides. The panel will also discuss the importance of male mentors and sponsors as well as the challenges posed by the current legal culture.

⌚ 4:15 – 4:45 P.M. **CLOSING REMARKS**
Kathryn Conway | Andrea S. Kramer | Elizabeth Winiarski | Courtney O. Wylie

⌚ 4:45 – 6:15 P.M. **NETWORKING & RECEPTION**



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