



## The Fifth Annual National Diversity Pre-Law Conference and Law Fair 2018

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Friday, April 6<sup>th</sup>, 2018 to Saturday, April 7<sup>th</sup>, 2018

(Optional Bonus Day – U.S. Capitol Bldg. Tour and Washington, DC Area Law School Tours:  
Thursday, April 5<sup>th</sup>, 2018)

American University Washington College of Law \* Washington, DC

### SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

#### Thursday, April 5th, 2018 (Bonus/Optional Day)

TIME	EVENT	LOCATION
8:30 A.M. – 5:30 P.M.		<b>Meeting Places for each location –</b>
8:30 A.M. – 10:00 A.M.	VISIT UNITED STATES CAPITOL BUILDING	Meet in lobby of the U.S. Capitol Visitors Center
	TOURS OF WASHINGTON, DC AREA LAW SCHOOLS	
10:30 A.M. – 11:30 A.M.	Georgetown University Law Center (16-minute commute to next school)	Georgetown University Law Center, Admissions Office, 600 New Jersey Avenue, NW, 5th Floor, McDonough Building
12:00 NOON – 1:00 P.M.	George Washington University Law School (19-minute commute to next school)	George Washington University Law School, Admissions Office, 700 20th NW (Corner of 20th and G Streets, Lower Level)
1:30 P.M. – 2:30 P.M.	University of the District of Columbia David A. Clarke School of Law (5-minute commute to next school)	University of the District of Columbia David A. Clarke School of Law, 434-Connecticut Avenue NW, Room 509
2:45 P.M. – 3:45 P.M.	Howard University School of Law (30-minute commute to next law school)	Howard University School of Law, 2900 Van Ness St NW, Washington, DC 20008 (First Floor Entrance/Lobby Area)
4:30 P.M. – 5:30 P.M.	Catholic University of America Columbus School of Law	Catholic University of American Columbus School of Law, 3600 John McCormack Dr. NE, Slowinsky Courtroom, Atrium Level (2nd Floor)

#### Friday, April 6th, 2018

TIME	EVENT	LOCATION
9:00 A.M. – 12:00 P.M.	Registration	<b>American University Washington College of Law</b>
9:00 A.M. – 9:30 A.M.	Law School Tour	Lobby Area
	American University Washington College of Law	American University Washington College of Law
	Continental Breakfast Provided – Sponsored by American University Washington College of Law	Tenley Campus, 4300 Nebraska Avenue, NW, Second Floor, C201
10:00 AM - 11:30 AM	OPENING PLENARY SESSION	American University Washington College of Law

11:30 AM – 12:30 PM	<p><b>Welcoming Remarks:</b></p> <p>Evangeline M. Mitchell, Esq., Ed.M., <i>Founder &amp; Executive Director</i>, National Pre-Law Diversity Initiatives, Inc. (Houston, Texas)</p> <p><b>Keynote Speakers:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Danne’ Johnson, Esq., <i>Constance Baker Motley Professor of Law</i>, Oklahoma City University College of Law (Oklahoma City, Oklahoma)</li> <li>• Ari Joseph, Esq., <i>Director of Equity, Inclusion &amp; Diversity</i>, Brown Rudnick LLP (New York, New York)</li> <li>• Juan M. Sempertegui, Esq., <i>Assistant General Counsel &amp; Vice President</i>, Bank of America N.A. (Washington, DC)</li> </ul> <p><b>DIVERSITY AND INCLUSION IN LAW SCHOOL PANEL</b></p> <p>Moderated by Jamal Watson, Ph.D., <i>Executive Editor</i>, <i>Diverse: Issues in Higher Education</i> (Washington DC)</p> <p><b>Law School Diversity &amp; Inclusion Leaders:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Kendra Brown, J.D., M.Div., LL.M., <i>Senior Director for Diversity, Inclusion and Affinity</i>, American University Washington College of Law (Washington, DC)</li> <li>• Judith A. Pérez-Caro, Ph.D., <i>Director, Equity, Community, and Inclusion</i>, Georgetown University Law Center (Washington, DC)</li> <li>• Shirley Jefferson, Esq., <i>Associate Dean for Student Affairs and Diversity and Associate Professor of Law</i>, Vermont Law School (South Royalton, Vermont)</li> <li>• Rachel W. Patterson, M.S., J.D., <i>Director, Diversity Programs</i>, Center for Legal Education Excellence, AccessLex Institute (Washington, DC)</li> <li>• Jaya Saxena, Esq., <i>Director of Dean’s Diversity &amp; Inclusion and Assistant Director, Career Center</i>, The George Washington University Law School (Washington, DC)</li> </ul>	Tenley Campus, Yuma Building Fourth Floor, Room Y401
12:30 PM – 12:40 PM	<b>BREAK</b>	
12:40 PM – 1:40 PM	<p><b>CULTURAL COMPETENCY WORKSHOP</b></p> <p>Presented by Erica Edwards-O’Neal, Esq., <i>Director of Diversity and Inclusion</i>, New York Economic Development Corporation (New York City, New York)</p>	American University Washington College of Law  Tenley Campus, Yuma Building Fourth Floor, Room Y401
1:40 PM – 2:30 PM	<p>Commute to the U.S. Supreme Court</p> <p><b>LUNCH (On Your Own)</b></p>	The commute will take approx. 25-30 minutes. Restaurant options near the law school and in Union Station
2:30 PM – 4:30 PM	<p><b>U.S. Supreme Court Tour</b></p> <p><b>GROUP VISIT TO THE U.S. SUPREME COURT</b></p> <p>Visit the Supreme Court – Visitors’ Film, Courtroom Lecture and Tour/Exhibit Please Note: The Visitors’ Film plays continuously until 3:45 PM Within our schedule, there is a Courtroom Lecture at 3:30 PM The U.S. Supreme Court closes at 4:30 PM</p>	Meet in front of the U.S. Supreme Court Building
4:45 PM – 5:15 PM	<b>Group Photos in front of U.S. Supreme Court</b>	Meet in front of the U.S. Supreme Court Building
6:00 PM – 8:00PM	<b>NETWORKING RECEPTION</b>	The George Washington University Law School Faculty Conference Center Fifth Floor

**Saturday, April 7th, 2018**

TIME	EVENT	LOCATION
9:00 AM – 1:00 PM	Registration	American University Washington College of Law  Lobby Area
10:00 AM – 11:15 AM	<p><b>OPENING PLENARY SESSION</b></p> <p><b>Keynote Speakers:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Jason G. Downs, Esq., <i>Partner, Downs Collins, P.A.</i> (Baltimore, Maryland and Washington, DC)</li> <li>• Natalia Marulanda, Esq., <i>Associate Director of Career Development, University of Miami School of Law</i> (Miami, Florida)</li> <li>• Van Ann Bui, Esq., <i>Director, Law Program, Sponsors for Educational Opportunity</i> (New York, New York)</li> </ul>	American University Washington College of Law  Tenley Campus, Yuma Building Fourth Floor, Room Y401
11:15 AM – 12:15 PM	<p><b>DIVERSITY AND LAW SCHOOL ADMISSIONS</b></p> <p><b>PANEL DISCUSSION:</b> <b>How Law Schools Consider Diversity Factors in the Law School Admissions Process and How to Make Your Diversity Work for You</b></p> <p>Moderated by Tiffany Simmons, Esq., American University Washington College of Law (Washington, DC)</p>	American University Washington College of Law  Tenley Campus, Yuma Building Fourth Floor, Room Y401
12:15 PM – 12:30 PM	<b>BREAK</b>	
12:30 PM – 1:30 PM	<p><b>FINANCING LEGAL EDUCATION WORKSHOP</b></p> <p>Presented by AccessLex Institute</p>	American University Washington College of Law  Tenley Campus, Yuma Building Fourth Floor, Room Y401
1:30 PM – 3:30 PM	<p><b>LAW SCHOOL RECRUITMENT AND DIVERSITY RESOURCES FAIR</b></p> <p><b>LUNCH (ON YOUR OWN)</b></p>	American University Washington College of Law  The Atrium
3:30 PM – 3:45 PM	<b>BREAK</b>	American University Washington College of Law
3:45 PM – 4:45 PM	<p><b>PERSONAL STATEMENT AND DIVERSITY STATEMENT WORKSHOP</b></p> <p>Presented by Collins Byrd, MBA, <i>Assistant Dean for Enrollment Management, University of Iowa College of Law</i> (Iowa City, Iowa)</p>	American University Washington College of Law  Tenley Campus, Yuma Building Fourth Floor, Room Y401
4:45 PM – 5:00 PM	<b>BREAK</b>	American University Washington College of Law
5:00 PM – 6:00 PM	<b>CLOSING PLENARY AND ASPIRING LAWYERS PINNING CEREMONY</b>	American University Washington College of Law  Tenley Campus, Yuma Building Fourth Floor, Room Y401
6:00 PM – 7:00 PM	<p><b>ONE-ON-ONE PRE-LAW ADVISEMENT</b></p> <p><b>RESUME, PERSONAL STATEMENT AND DIVERSITY STATEMENT REVIEW</b></p>	American University Washington College of Law  Tenley Campus, Yuma Building Fourth Floor, Room Y401