

## **SYMPOSIUM PROGRAM**

University of Idaho Critical Legal Studies Journal

### **The Gavel Gap: Promoting Diversity in Idaho's Judiciary**

11:30 p.m. Registration

12:30 p.m. Welcome

- **Wendy G. Couture**, Associate Professor of Law, University of Idaho College of Law and Board of Directors, Idaho Women Lawyers
- **Justine Groome**, Editor-In-Chief, University of Idaho Critical Legal Studies Journal

12:45 p.m. Panel #1     **Profiles of Idaho Judges of Color**

- Panel Description

This panel will explore state court diversity from the perspective of race, ethnicity, and national origin. Panelists have been asked to share their path to the judiciary and offer their perspective on whether there is a need for more judges of color in Idaho.

- Moderator: **Sara Thomas**, Administrative Director of Idaho courts
- Panelists
  - **Hon. Sergio A. Gutierrez**, Idaho Court of Appeals
  - **Hon. Dayo O. Onanubosi**, Magistrate Judge, Idaho Third Judicial District Court
  - **Hon. Jane Smith**, Colville Tribal Court

1:45 p.m. Break #1

2:00 p.m.    Panel #2    **Profiles of Idaho Women Judges**

- Panel Description

This panel will explore state court diversity from the perspective of gender. Panelists have been asked to share their path to the judiciary and offer their perspective on whether there is a need for more women judges in Idaho.

- Moderator: **Hon. Candy W. Dale**, United States Magistrate Judge, District of Idaho
- Panelists
  - **Hon. Nancy Baskin**, District Judge, Idaho Fourth Judicial District Court
  - **Hon. Molly J. Huskey**, Idaho Court of Appeals
  - **Hon. Cynthia Jordan**, Colville Tribal Court
  - **Justice Linda Copple Trout**, Idaho Supreme Court (Ret.)

3:00 p.m.    Break #2

3:15 p.m.    Panel #3    **Building Diversity Pipelines**

- Panel Description

This panel will explore challenges to diversity in Idaho's law schools, legal profession, and judiciary. Panelists will also discuss the role of Idaho's state bar, law schools, and legislature in promoting diversity.

- Moderator: **Michelle Vos**, Attorney at Law and Lecturer in the Department of Management at Boise State University, College of Business and Economics

- Panelists

- **Courtney R. Holthus**, DisAbility Rights Idaho and Co-Chair of the Idaho State Bar Diversity Section Love the Law Committee
- **Hon. John McCrostie**, Idaho House of Representatives
- **Michelle R. Points**, President, Idaho State Bar Association; President, Idaho Women Lawyers; and Founding Partner, Points Law
- **Cathy Silak**, Vice President of Community Engagement and Founding Dean, Concordia University School of Law

4:15 p.m.    Keynote Introduction:

- **Mark Adams**, Dean, University of Idaho College of Law

4:30 p.m.    Keynote Remarks

- **Justice Debra L. Stephens**, Washington State Supreme Court

5:15 p.m. Closing Remarks

- **Mike Satz**, Associate Professor and Associate Vice President and Chief Executive Officer, University of Idaho, Boise and Southwest Idaho
- **Jennifer Winters**, Symposium Editor, University of Idaho Critical Legal Studies Journal