# Colorado Litigators' Summit Co-sponsored by the Litigation Section of the Colorado Bar Association



#### HIGHLIGHTS INCLUDE

- An Honest and Frank Discussion of Implicit Bias in the Legal Profession and Strategies for Recognizing and Overcoming Roadblocks Created by It
- A Fresh Lineup of Compelling Sessions and Leading Jurists and Lawyers
- Opportunities for You Plaintiff and Defense Litigators to Learn Alongside Each Other and from Some of Colorado's Finest Justices, Judges and Attorneys
- Lunch, Reception and Refreshment Break Opportunities to Network with Your Colleagues and Distinguished Faculty

#### **TOPICS INCLUDE**

- What Juries Really Think
- Preserving Your Issues and Making Your Record for Appeal
- Use of Demonstrative Evidence at Trial
- Implicit Bias: Recognizing and Addressing
- Know Your Audience: Trying Your Case Outside the Denver Metro Area
- Legal Writing: Opinions from the Judiciary
- Candor Toward the Tribunal and Fellow Members of the Bar

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# The grand tradition started last year continues! Join us for the 2nd Summit featuring a fresh lineup of compelling sessions, and leading jurists and lawyers.

Don't miss Colorado's preeminent program for connecting you with your colleagues and the judiciary around the state, AND for exceptional CLE. Hear an honest and frank discussion of implicit bias in the legal profession, and strategies for recognizing and overcoming roadblocks created by it. Take one day to expand and brush up your knowhow. PLUS, seize the opportunities to network with litigators and speakers during lunch, refreshment breaks, and the reception.

Reserve your place today (Seating is limited!) and be part of this new tradition for Colorado litigators.

# Here is what some of your colleagues said about last year's well-received and well-attended Summit:



- "... All presenters were clear, knowledgeable and well-prepared.

  Excellent content."
- "... Another excellent panel from diverse experience. Very good moderator."
- "... Great presentation very practical and helpful materials."
- "... Overall, excellent program. Substantive. Well organized."
- "... One of the best presentations I have seen. Good "hook" for presentation, solid examples, well delivered. Well credentialed and qualified."



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#### **AGENDA**

8:00 AM	Registration and Continental Breakfast
8:15 AM	Welcoming Remarks Kayla D. Dreyer, Esq., Lucas T. Ritchie, Esq., and Nicoal C. Sperrazza, Esq., Colorado Litigators' Summit Planning Committee
8:20 - 9:20 AM	What Juries Really Think — Judges Discuss What They Have Learned After Decades on the Bench Panel:  • Honorable Christine Arguello, Judge, United States District Court (D – CO)  • Honorable Michael A. Martinez, Chief Judge, 2nd Judicial District  • Honorable Christopher C. Cross (Judge, ret. – 18th Judicial District and Arapahoe County Court), Mediator and Arbitrator, JAMS Moderator: Miko Ando Brown, Esq., Davis Graham & Stubbs
9:20 - 10:20 AM	Preserving Your Issues and Making Your Record for Appeal Panel:  • Honorable William W. Hood III, Justice, Colorado Supreme Court  • Honorable Ted C. Tow III, Judge, Colorado Court of Appeals  • Kendra N. Beckwith, Esq., Messner Reeves LLP Moderater: Angela Vichick, Esq., Lewis Roca Rothberger Christie LLP, and former Law Clerk and Judicial Assistant, Colorado Supreme Court
10:20 - 10:35 AM	Networking Break — Please visit with your sponsors
10:35 - 11:25 AM	Use of Demonstrative Evidence at Trial: Means and Methods  • Elizabeth S. Wylie, Esq., Snell & Wilmer L.L.P.  • Kent C. Modesitt, Esq., Founder and Chief Designer, Persuasion by Design, Ltd.  Moderator: Kayla D. Dreyer, Esq., Lewis Brisbois Bisgaard & Smith LLP
11:25 AM - 12:25 PM	FEATURED PRESENTATION – Implicit Bias in the Legal Profession: Recognizing and Addressing Presented by Karen Hester, JD, LL.M. in Taxation, Chief Executive Officer, Center for Legal Inclusiveness
12:25 PM	Transition to Luncheon Room
12:25 - 12:50 PM	Lunch - Opportunity to network with your colleagues and distinguished faculty
12:50 - 12:55 PM	Brief Remarks Lucas T. Ritchie, Esq., Moye White LLP, Chair, CBA Litigation Section
12:55 - 1:00 PM	Brief Remarks and Introduction of Colorado Bar Association President  Vince O'Brien, Executive Director, Colorado Bar Association CLE
1:00 - 1:15 PM	Brief Remarks Kathleen Hearn Croshal, Esq., President (effective July 1, 2019), Colorado Bar Association
1:15 - 1:20 PM	Transition to Plenary Session Room
1:20 - 2:20 PM	Know Your Audience: Trying Your Case Outside the Denver Metro Area  Panel:  • Honorable Thomas W. Ossola, Senior Judge, former Chief Judge, 9th Judicial District  • Honorable Lance Timbreza, Judge, 21st Judicial District Court  • Phillip B. Chupik, Esq., Metier Law Firm, LLC  • Sam D. Starritt, Esq., Dufford, Waldek, Milburn and Krohn, LLP  Moderator: Lucas T. Ritchie, Esq., Moye White LLP
2:20 - 2:30 PM	Networking Break — Please visit with your sponsors
2:30 - 3:20 PM	Legal Writing: Opinions from the Judiciary (Pet Peeves and Kudos from the Judiciary!)  Panel:  • Honorable Richard Gabriel, Justice, Colorado Supreme Court  • Honorable Anthony J. Navarro, Judge, Colorado Court of Appeals  • Honorable Susan Blanco, Judge, 8th Judicial District  Moderator: Audrey Bianco, Esq., Law Clerk and Judicial Assistant, Colorado Supreme Court

#### 3:20 - 4:20 PM Candor Toward the Tribunal and Fellow Members of the Bar (What crosses the line when negotiating with the court and opposing counsel?)

1.2 ETHICS CREDITS

- Honorable S. Kato Crews, Magistrate Judge, U.S. District Court (D-CO)
- Honorable Edward C. Moss, Judge, 17th Judicial District
- Jason St. Julien, Esq., Assistant U.S. Attorney, District of Colorado
- Byeongsook Seo, Esq., Snell & Wilmer L.L.P.

Moderator: Sarah J. Parady, Esq., Lowrey Parady, LLC, and President, Colorado Women's Bar Association

4:20 PM Conclusion, Evaluations and Adjourn to Hosted Networking Happy Hour

#### **FEATURED FACULTY**



Karen Hester, JD, LL.M, in Taxation, Chief Executive Officer, Center for Legal Inclusiveness, Denver, CO

Karen Hester has more than 10 years of experience in diversity and inclusiveness. In 2015, she was named a Diversity Champion by the National Association for Law Placement's (NALP) Diversity and Inclusion Section, which recognized 11 individuals nationally. She is an accomplished trainer, presenter, facilitator, and industry leader on the topic of diversity and inclusion in the legal profession. Ms. Hester is a former practicing attorney and the former Director of Diversity and Inclusion at the University of Kansas School of Law. She has multiple degrees: a JD from the University of Cincinnati College of Law, an LLM in Taxation from the University of Missouri Kansas City School of Law, an MS in student personnel and counseling, and a BS in mathematics from Kansas State University.

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