

## Race, Equity, and Inclusion in Law Firms – Exploring the Way Forward

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Wednesday, September 16, 2020 ● 8:45 AM – 1:00 PM

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#### **DESCRIPTION**

The featured speaker is Dr. Robin DiAngelo, the New York Times' bestselling author of *White Fragility: Why It's So Hard for White People to Talk About Racism*. Dr. DiAngelo's presentation will be followed by a moderated panel of Kansas City law firm leaders and DEI professionals engaged in a candid discussion about diversity, equity, and inclusion efforts in our law firms, including practices for achieving sustainable progress. The event will also include attendee small group discussions with moderated report-outs, allowing for meaningful, constructive participation in the dialogue.

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8:45 AM Welcome and Introduction

Vanessa Vaughn West, Lathrop GPM LLP

9:00 AM White Fragility - Why It's So Hard for White People to Talk

About Racism

Robin DiAngelo, Robin DiAngelo LLC

Interview with Dr. DiAngelo

Michelle P. Wimes, Ogletree, Deakins, Nash, Smoak &

Stewart, PC

**11:00 AM** *Break* 

11:10 AM Panel Discussion on Race, Equity, and Inclusion in Law Firms

Wesley O. Fields, Bryan Cave Leighton Paisner LLP

Madeleine M. McDonough, Shook, Hardy & Bacon L.L.P.

Jeffrey J. Simon, Husch Blackwell LLP

Michelle P. Wimes, Ogletree, Deakins, Nash, Smoak &

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Moderator: Peter Sloan, Information Governance Group, LLC

12:00 PM Break/New Zoom Access Link

12:10 PM Virtual Breakout Discussions on Race, Equity, and Inclusion in Law

Firms, with Report-Out

Facilitator: Rebecca Baumgartner, Ogletree, Deakins, Nash,

Smoak & Stewart, PC

1:00 PM Adjourn with closing comments

Vanessa Vaughn West, Lathrop GPM LLP

\*Course materials will be provided in electronic format only and are accessible with your laptop or other mobile device during the event. Download materials at kcmba.org, Legal Education tab, CLE Events, select your event and click on the materials links. Parking will be validated at the event. \*\*On-site registrations are welcome; however, seating and/or meals cannot be guaranteed unless you pre-register.

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