

Mediation Settlement Day Kick-Off Event

October 18, 2017

4:30 P.M.-7:30 P.M.

New York Law School
185 West Broadway
New York, New York

1.5 FREE CLE Credits: Ethics and Professionalism

Title: “*Diversity and Inclusion in Dispute Resolution, 2.0*”

Open House: 4:30-5:30 PM

Remembering Margaret Shaw, Panel Discussion & Keynote: 5:30-7:30 PM

5:30-5:45 PM: Remembering Margaret Shaw, Judge Elizabeth S. Stong and Carol Wittenberg, Esq.

5:45-6:55 PM: Panel Discussion

Panelists: Maurice Robinson, Esq. (Moderator), Niki Borofsky, Esq., John D. Feerick, Esq., Rekha Rangachari, Esq. and Maria Volpe, Ph.D.

Honorary Chair: John S. Kiernan, Esq., President of the New York City Bar Association

I. What is Diversity and Inclusion in Dispute Resolution? **(25 minutes)**

Definitions of each, What do we mean when we use these terms? Why is this important for the profession, for users of dispute resolution, and for the administration of justice? How do we measure and define progress?

II. How are bar associations, professional organizations, court-connected dispute resolution programs, and community dispute resolution centers addressing diversity and inclusion in the field?

Current Efforts; ADR Inclusion Network – improving the selection of, pipeline for, and awareness of diversity and inclusion in the field, and serving as a resource to others on this topic.

III. New CLE Category: Diversity, Inclusion & Elimination of Bias (eff. 1-1-18) **(25 minutes)**

The Rule, explained; Implications for the future

IV. Current Opportunities for Diverse Mediators

V. Q and A

6:55PM – 7:05PM

VI. Frontline Champion Award Presentation

7:05-7:30PM

VII. Keynote address by John Kiernan, Esq. on Diversity and Inclusion **(25 minutes)**