



**Legislative Women's Collective:
Unleashing the Political Power of Women Attorneys**

Friday, July 23, 2021

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| 11:00am-11:10am | Welcome
<i>Candace Smith-Tucker, Esq., Director, D.C. Bar Communities</i> |
| 11:10am-11:35am | Opening Keynote
<i>Amanda K. Edwards, Esq. former Candidate, U.S. Senate, TX</i> |
| 11:35am-12:00pm | Breakout groups - Getting to know each other |
| 12:00pm- 12:25pm | <u>Session 1 - What Women Lawyers bring to the table & why she(we) should run</u>
<u>Legislative Women's Collective</u>
With an inspired opening and an opportunity to connect with other attendees under your belt, this session will give you the statistics about women in politics generally and specifically women attorneys. The session will also provide information on the latest research regarding women attorneys' strengths and characteristics to help you see and feel that you can and should run! Knowing these facts and statistics will help you develop talking points as you move forward with your path in politics. |
| 12:25pm-12:30pm | Session Wrap-up |
| 12:30pm-12:40pm | Break |
| 12:40pm-1:25pm | Lunch Keynote Speakers
<i>Rep. Joanna McClinton, Esq., P.A. House of Representatives</i>
<i>Mary Thomas, Esq., former Candidate, U.S. House of Representatives, FL</i> |
| 1:25pm-1:40pm | Break |
| 1:40pm-2:30pm | <u>Session 2: Systems Mapping: Where women lead</u>
<i>NH State Rep. Manny Espitia, Run for Something</i>
<i>Johanna Silva Waki, EMILY's List</i>
<i>Krysta Jones, Vote Lead Impact</i>
Our political system is a diverse map just as varied as the geography of the United States. Political leadership includes both appointments and elected positions and many find themselves moving from one place to another, sometimes winning, sometimes losing, but nevertheless persevering in making a difference. This session will cover this wide-reaching systems map across the US from federal, state to local, with detailed descriptions of the various types of committees, commissions, appointments, board, legislative positions, and so on. This session will also provide a template for you to take home and work on to create your own draft map for your political leadership. |
| 2:30pm-3:20pm | Breakout groups - Where do I fit? Starting my systems map |
| 3:20pm-3:30pm | Closing Remarks |



**Legislative Women's Collective:
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Friday, July 30, 2021

11:00am-11:05am	Welcome Back <i>Candace Smith-Tucker, Esq., Director, D.C. Bar Communities</i>
11:05am-12:25pm	<u>Session 3: Ethical Considerations When Running For Office: Political Power Has Limits</u> <i>Janeese Lewis George, Esq., D.C. Council, Ward 4</i> <i>Janice Ryan, Esq., Partner, Venable</i> <i>Fred Wagner, Esq., Partner, Venable</i> Women lawyers are uniquely qualified for political office. Their ability to balance competing concerns is a strength that must be tempered with a clear understanding of election law, ethics, and professional responsibility requirements. This session will provide an overview of these requirements when running for office or being appointed to office. The panelists will discuss their experience running for office or being appointed at the federal, state, or local levels; and/or serving in the role of an ethics official to ensure understanding, guidance, and compliance with these requirements.
12:25pm-12:30pm	Session Wrap- up
12:30pm-12:40pm	Break
12:40pm-1:25pm	Lunch Keynote <i>Sapana Shah, Esq., Mayoral Candidate, Edison, NJ</i> <i>Rosemary Becchi, Esq., former Candidate, U.S. House of Representative, NJ</i>
1:25pm-1:40pm	Break
1:40pm-2:15pm	<u>Session 4: My Workplan: How women lawyers make it happen</u> <i>Kodiak Hill-Davis, Esq. and Ariel Hill-Davis,</i> <i>Sister sDuo from Republican Women for Progress</i> The program thus far has helped you learn facts and statistics about women attorneys in politics, political systems mapping, and ethical issues you may face on your political path. You have heard directly from women attorney leaders and have delved into your own possible paths for leadership. It is now time to get clarity about your next steps and develop your workplan for moving forward. This session we will provide you a workplan template which you will begin to fill in the details with our mentors, in small breakout sessions. Therein you will brainstorm positions you are interested in, identify training options and groups to join, develop your primary support team, and create your own personal pitch for your team to get you off the ground.
2:15pm-3:15pm	Breakout groups with coaches - What's Next? Creating my own workplan
3:15pm-3:30pm	Closing Remarks