



**The 15th Annual National Black Pre-Law Conference and
Law Fair 2019
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**Friday, November 8th, 2019 and Saturday, November 9th, 2019
Columbia University School of Law | New York City, New York**

*Optional Bonus Day for New York Law Schools Tour and Scavenger Hunt: Thursday,
November 7th, 2019*

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Thursday, November 7, 2019

**BONUS/OPTIONAL: NEW YORK CITY LAW SCHOOL TOURS DAY AND
SCAVENGER HUNT TEAM-BUILDING ACTIVITY**

| TIME | EVENT | MEETING LOCATION |
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| 8:00 A.M. – 9:00 A.M. | Columbia Law School * Those students participating in the Scavenger Hunt will form groups beginning at 7:30 a.m. and must take photos at specific places listed at each law school location. The group that completes all tasks will win prizes. | Meet at Columbia Law School’s William and June Warren Hall, 1125 Amsterdam Avenue, New York, New York 10025 |
| 9:30 A.M. – 10:30 P.M. | Fordham University School of Law | Meet in the lobby of the law school in front of the Fordham University seal @ 150 W 62nd Street, New York, New York 10023 |
| 11:00 A.M. – 12:00 P.M. | Benjamin N. Cardozo School of Law Yeshiva University | Meet at the security desk at 55 5th Avenue, New York, New York 10003 |
| 12:00 P.M. – 12:45 P.M. | Lunch Break | Consider lunch suggestions provided on detailed tour itinerary |
| 1:00 P.M. – 2:00 P.M. | New York Law School | Meet in the lobby at 185 W Broadway, New York, New York 10013 |

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| 2:30 P.M. - 3:30 P.M. | New York University School of Law | TBD |
| 4:00 P.M. – 5:00 P.M. | Brooklyn Law School | Meet in lobby at 250 Joralemon Street, Brooklyn, New York 11201 |
| 5:30 P.M. – 6:30 P.M. | City University of New York CUNY School of Law | Meet at security desk in lobby area at 2 Court Square West, Long Island City, New York 11101 |
| 7:00 P.M. – 8:00 P.M. | St. John’s University School of Law | 8000 Utopia Parkway, Jamaica, New York 11439 |

*****The tour times and meeting locations for the New York City Law School Tour are pre-arranged for participants. Bottled water and snacks will be provided by a designated conference representative at Columbia Law School. Above, we provide a suggested itinerary based on what we believe would be most doable and time effective within one business day. We also have a more detailed itinerary with travel information and suggestions using public transportation including the subway, taxis, Uber and Lyft. Please note that participants are responsible for their own transportation from school to school. An official “tour guide” will be provided to help you navigate getting around the city. There will be a point of contact for every law school to guide you on your tour of that law school. Conference attendees may visit all or some of the law schools based on their interest. We suggest that you take advantage of this opportunity and visit ALL of the schools that participate. The meeting place for the tour to begin is in the lobby of Columbia Law School. Our official guide will provide travel information and a subway map for those who want to meet with others and take public transportation together.*****

Friday, November 8, 2019

| TIME | EVENT | LOCATION/ROOM |
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| 8:00 A.M. - 5:00 P.M. | Registration | Columbia Law School Lobby |
| 8:00 A.M. - 9:00 A.M. | <i>Complimentary Continental Breakfast Breakfast with Black Law Students - Small Group Discussions to Ask and Answer Questions</i> | Columbia Law School Lobby |
| 9:00 A.M. - 10:00 A.M. | Concurrent Session FOCUS: THE CASE METHOD AND THE SOCRATIC METHOD The Law School Classroom Experience/Mock Law School Class | Columbia Law School |
| 9:00 A.M. - 10:00 A.M. | Concurrent Session One-on-One Pre-Law Advisement/Practical Assistance Session (Personal Statement, Diversity Statement, Resume and Addendum Quick Review) 15-Minute Time Blocks | Columbia Law School |

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| 10:15 A.M. – 11:30 A.M. | <p align="center">Welcome Ceremony and Opening Plenary Session</p> <p align="center">15 Years of the National Black Pre-Law Conference: How and Why It All Started and Why It Must Continue (The Story Behind the Conference) - Evangeline M. Mitchell, Esq., Ed.M., Founder, National Black Pre-Law Conference and Law Fair - Special Video Presentation</p> <p align="center">Remarks from Black Lawyer and Law Student Association Leaders</p> <p align="center">Overview of Weekend’s Conference Programming</p> | Columbia Law School |
| 11:30 A.M. – 11:45 A.M. | <p align="center"><i>Networking Break and Refreshments</i></p> | Columbia Law School Lobby |
| 11:45 P.M. – 1:00 P.M. | <p>BLACK PRE-LAW TALKS™</p> <p>Introduction</p> <p>Law School Dean (10 minutes) - TBA</p> <p>Introduction</p> <p>Law School Dean (10 minutes) - TBA</p> <p>Introduction</p> <p>Law School Dean (10 minutes) - TBA</p> <p>Introduction</p> <p>Law School Dean (10 minutes) - TBA</p> | Columbia Law School |
| 1:00 P.M. – 2:00 P.M. | <p align="center"><i>LUNCH BREAK</i></p> | On Your Own |
| 2:15 P.M. - 3:45 P.M. | <p align="center">LEGAL EDUCATION TOWN HALL</p> <p align="center">Special Panel Discussion: Leadership in American Law Schools During the Age of Trump and the Black Lives Matter Movement</p> <p align="center">Featuring Black Law School Deans</p> | Columbia Law School |
| 3:45 P.M. - 4:00 P.M. | <p align="center"><i>Networking Break and Refreshments</i></p> | Columbia Law School Lobby |
| 4:00 P.M. – 5:15 P.M. | <p>BLACK PRE-LAW TALKS™</p> <p>Introduction</p> <p>Law School Dean (10 minutes) - TBA</p> <p>Introduction</p> <p>Law School Dean (10 minutes) - TBA</p> | Columbia Law School |

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| 5:30 P.M. – 6:45 P.M. | <p>BLACK PRE-LAW TALKS™</p> <p>Introduction</p> <p>Law School Dean (10 minutes) - TBA</p> <p>Introduction</p> <p>Law School Dean (10 minutes) - TBA</p> <p>Introduction</p> <p>Law School Dean (10 minutes) - TBA</p> <p>Introduction</p> <p>Law School Dean (10 minutes) - TBA</p> <p>Introduction</p> <p>Law School Dean (10 minutes) - TBA</p> <p>Introduction</p> <p>Law School Dean (10 minutes) - TBA</p> | Columbia Law School |
| 7:00 P.M. – 7:30 P.M. | <i>GROUP PHOTO (Business casual and professional attire)</i> | Columbia University Courtyard |
| 7:30 P.M. - 8:00 P.M. | <i>BREAK - Travel to Awards and Networking Event</i> | |
| 8:00 P.M. - 10:00 P.M. | <p>Leadership in Legal Education Honors</p> <p>Awards Presentations and Networking Reception</p> <p><i>Honoring All Black Law School Deans</i></p> <p>****</p> <p><i>The Importance of Mentorship for Aspiring Black Lawyers</i></p> <p><i>Announcement Regarding New Initiative</i></p> <p>THE BRIDGE BUILDERS:</p> <p>ATTORNEY MENTORING AND SERVICE PROGRAM</p> <p><i>Appetizers and Drinks Provided.</i></p> | TBA |

Saturday, November 9, 2019

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| 8:00 A.M. - 5:00 P.M. | Registration | Columbia Law School Lobby |
| 8:00 A.M. - 9:00 A.M. | <i>Continental Breakfast Provided.</i> | Columbia Law School Lobby |
| 8:00 A.M. - 9:00 A.M. | Law School Personal Statement and Diversity Statement Workshop | Columbia Law School |
| | <i>Networking Break and Refreshments</i> | Columbia Law School Lobby |
| 9:15 A.M. - 10:15 A.M. | Saturday Morning Plenary Session Keynote and Special Guest Speakers | Columbia Law School |
| | <i>Networking Break and Refreshments</i> | Columbia Law School Lobby |
| 10:30 A.M. – 12:00 P.M. | FOCUS: THE LAW SCHOOL APPLICATION/ADMISSION PROCESS WORKSHOP SESSION How to Get into Law School: A Strategic Approach Presented by AccessLex Institute(R) | Columbia Law School |
| 12:00 P.M. - 12:15 P.M. | <i>Networking Break and Refreshments</i> | Columbia Law School |
| 12:15 P.M. – 1:15 P.M. | Law School Admission Council (LSAC) Presentation | Columbia Law School |
| 1:15 P.M. – 2:15 P.M. | LUNCH BREAK | On Your Own |
| 2:15 P.M. – 3:30 P.M. | FOCUS: RACE, CULTURE AND THE LEGAL PROFESSION FEATURED PANEL DISCUSSION Black Lawyers As Difference Makers: How Black Lawyers Can Utilize Their Legal Training to Do Meaningful Work and Contribute to the Uplift of the Black Community Locally, Nationally and Globally | Columbia Law School |
| 3:30 P.M. – 3:45 P.M. | <i>Networking Break and Refreshments</i> | Columbia Law School Lobby |
| 2:45 P.M. – 3:45 P.M. | FOCUS: PAYING FOR LAW SCHOOL Financing Legal Education Presented by AccessLex Institute(R) | Columbia Law School |
| 3:45 P.M. - 4:00 P.M. | Walk from Columbia Law School to Columbia University Library | |
| 4:00 P.M. – 6:30 P.M. | LAW SCHOOL RECRUITMENT FAIR | Columbia University Library |

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| 6:30 P.M. – 7:30 P.M. | <i>DINNER BREAK</i> | On Your Own |
| 7:30 P.M. – 9:00 P.M. | <p>Closing Plenary Session</p> <p>15th Anniversary Celebration</p> <p><i>Recognizing and Thanking</i></p> <p><i>Present and Past Speakers, Panelists, Advisors and</i> <i>Volunteers, Law Schools, Partners and Sponsors</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;">+</p> <p><i>Honoring Outstanding Contributors</i> <i>(Supported Conference for 15 Consecutive Years)</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;">+</p> <p><i>Aspiring Lawyers Pinning Ceremony</i></p> | TBA |
| 9:00 P.M. – 11:00 P.M. | <p><i>15th Anniversary Celebratory Networking Reception</i></p> <p><i>Photos, Farewells, Professional Headshots</i></p> <p><i>Finger Foods, Cake and Sparkling Cider Provided</i></p> | TBA |