

MSP Fall Forum Panel 2

Advancing Women of Color in the Private Sector

Wednesday, November 30, 2022 6:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.

Rutgers Law School | 217 North Fifth Street | Camden, NJ 08102

According to NALP's 2021 Report on Diversity at U.S. Law Firms, just over 4% of U.S. law firm partners are women of color, and Black and Latinx women each represent less than 1% of all partners in U.S. law firms. Contrastingly, law firm summer associate ranks are much more diverse, and they demonstrate potential to contribute to more diverse partnership ranks in the future - women of color comprised 25.14% of the 2021 summer associate class at U.S. law firms. This panel discussion will examine the systemic barriers that impede the advancement of women of color to the partnership ranks of law firms and highlight meaningful interventions that legal employers can implement to retain, develop, and promote the advancement of women of color in the private sector.

Speakers:

Punam Alam, President of APALA-NJ

Rachna Malkana, President of the South Asian Bar Association of NJ

Yolanda Melville, Partner, Cooper Levenson

Georgette Miller, Partner, Dilworth Paxson

Moderator: Rhasheda S. Douglas, Assistant Dean, Minority Student Program, Rutgers Law

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