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Annual Meeting & Conference

Critical Conversations & Courageous Leadership

May 11-12, 2017

Nationwide Hotel & Conference Center

Keynote Speakers:

Lucy Helm
General Counsel,
Starbucks

Carrie Hightman
Chief Legal Officer,
NiSource

Thursday, May 11

1:00 pm Welcome – Conference Chair: Lisa M. Kathumbi, Bricker & Eckler

1:15-2:00 pm – A View from the Top: Lessons in Leadership

Kick-Off Speaker: Carrie Hightman, Chief Legal Officer, NiSource

Q & A Moderator: Grace Royalty, U.S. District Court, Southern District of Ohio

2:15-3:00 pm – A View from the Bench: Past, Present and Future | (1.25 hours of Professional Conduct CLE)

Moderator: Judge Laurel Beatty Blunt, Franklin County Court of Common Pleas

Panelists: Judge Kim Wilson Burke, Hamilton County Drug Court; Judge Mary DeGenaro, Seventh District Court of Appeals of Ohio; Justice Judith L. French, Supreme Court of Ohio; Judge Benita Y. Pearson, U.S. District Court, Northern District of Ohio; Judge Marilyn Zayas, First Appellate District of Ohio

3:45-5:00 pm – The Art of Communication: Negotiating Salary and Promotion and Retaining Top Talent | (1.25 hours of CLE)

Moderator: Erin E. Rhinehart, Faruki Ireland Cox Rhinehart & Dusing

Panelists: Andria M. Beckham, The Scotts Company; Dr. Rhonda Reagh, Ph.D, Reagh & Associates; Matthew A. Rich, Katz Teller; Dawn R. Rosemond, Barnes & Thornburg

5:00-5:30 pm – A Report on Gender and the Law | (0.50 hours of CLE)

Nichole E. Dunn, The Women's Fund of Central Ohio and Eleana Drakatos, Yacobozzi | Drakatos

6:00-8:00 pm – Honoring Women in Government Reception

Honored Guest: Justice Sharon L. Kennedy, Supreme Court of Ohio

Friday, May 12

8:45-10:00 am – General Counsels Speak: Top Priorities for 2017 and Beyond | (1.25 hours of CLE)

Moderator: Michelle Proia Roe, Thirty-One Gifts

Panelists: Robert Bostrom, Abercrombie & Fitch; Susan DiMichele, National Church Residences; Mark S. Howard, Nationwide Insurance; Angelique Strong Marks, MAHLE Industries; Sheryl Creed Maxfield, Office of the Ohio Attorney General

10:00-11:15 am

Reaping the Benefits of Diversity & Inclusion: The Business and Economic Return

(1.25 hours of CLE)

Moderator: Marilyn T. McClure-Demers, Nationwide Insurance

Panelists: Mark MacNaughton, Cardinal Health; Jeffrey B. Jones, Littler Mendelson; Myra L. McKenzie-Harris, Walmart; Barb Smoot, Women for Economic and Leadership Development; Kimberly S. Amrine, Frost Brown Todd

11:30 am -1:30 pm – Annual Meeting Luncheon: Luncheon Speaker: Lucy Helm, General Counsel, Starbucks

Swearing-In Ceremony: The Honorable Nathaniel R. Jones, U.S. Court of Appeals, Sixth Circuit (Retired)

1:30-3:00 pm – Networking Reception

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