The School-to-Prison Pipeline: What Are the Problems? What Are the Solutions?

Thursday, February 26, 2015
Town Hall 2:00 p.m. to 4 p.m.
Reception 4-6 p.m.
Jones Day, 51 Louisiana Avenue, N.W., Washington, DC

The School-to-Prison Pipeline® has become shorthand for the continuing failures in the education system where students of color disproportionately are over- or incorrectly categorized in special education, are disciplined more harshly, achieve at lower levels, and eventually drop or are pushed out of school, often into juvenile justice facilities and prisons. Join us along with bar leaders, leaders interested in implicit bias and its ramifications for disproportionality in education, and experts who have developed successful programs and projects across the country. The goal of the Forum is to bring together a national gathering of key entities and organizations to recognize ongoing research and programmatic intervention and to develop an action plan to address the components of the school-to-prison pipeline dilemma. This is a critical opportunity for organizations and individuals who are interested in developing a collaborative plan of action. You will not want to miss this opportunity to participate in this dynamic Forum.

Panelists include:

Barbara Arnwine, Executive Director, Lawyers' Committee for Civil Rights Under Law

The Honorable Bernice B. Donald, Judge, Sixth Circuit Court of Appeals & Chair Elect, ABA Criminal Justice Section

Miguel Pozo, Partner, Lowenstein Sandler LLP, Immediate Past President HNBA

Sarah Redfield, Professor of Law, University of New Hampshire

Renee Wolenhaus, Deputy Chief, Educational Opportunities Section, Civil Rights Division, U.S. Department of Justice

We invite all members of the audience to engage, ask questions, offer insights, and showcase their programs. Please bring any publications you would like to share and please plan to stay for the reception to continue networking.

REGISTRATION: There is no cost to attend the forum, but we do ask that you register by contacting Rachel Patrick, Director, ABA Coalition on Racial & Ethnic Justice at (312) 988-5408 or Rachel.Patrick@americanbar.org.