

Women of Color Research Initiative

Saturday, August 6, 2005

10:00am to 12:00pm

ABA Annual Meeting 2005

**Camelot Room, Third Floor, Hotel InterContinental
Chicago, Illinois**

To fully examine advancement and retention issues among women attorneys of color, the ABA Commission on Women in the Profession embarked upon a research initiative to answer the following questions:

- What attracts women of color to the legal profession?
- Do their work experiences surpass or fall short of expectations?
- How do legal employers hinder or increase job satisfaction? and
- Why do women attorneys of color change practice areas and organizations, or leave the profession at an alarming rate?

This seminar will present preliminary findings from the Commission's groundbreaking quantitative and qualitative research on Women of Color in the Legal Profession and discuss future areas of research.

Featuring:

Moderator:

Arin Reeves, J.D., Ph.D., Commission Member and Project Co-chair

Panelists:

Kimberlè Williams Crenshaw, J.D., L.L.M., Professor, Columbia Law School and UCLA Law School, **Woon-Wah Siu, J.D.**, Member, Bell Boyd & Lloyd, LLC, **Sheila Thomas, J.D.**, Former Commission Member and Project Co-chair