

WOC Houston Fundraising Reception

Women of Color Research Initiative Fundraising Reception in Houston Wednesday, March 23, 2005 5:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. The Plaza Club One Shell Plaza 910 Louisiana, 49th Floor Houston, TX 77002 While there has been research conducted on issues related to women and to people of color in the legal profession generally, there has been no comprehensive study that has specifically focused on women attorneys of color. The Commission on Women determined that there is a need for a comprehensive review and analysis of the unique concerns and experiences of Hispanic, African-American, Native American, and Asian American women in the legal profession, and has therefore launched its Research Initiative on the Retention and Advancement of Women Attorneys of Color. Please refer to the attached brochure for more details on this unprecedented study.

We are promoting this research initiative through regional receptions that will highlight the effort and provide an opportunity for private firms to contribute to this landmark project. The CWP will honor two champions of diversity in the legal profession -- ABA President Robert J. Grey, Jr. and Shell Oil Company Senior Vice President and General Counsel Catherine Lamboley.

Sponsorship opportunities are available. Contributions are tax-deductible and the net proceeds will be used to fund the Research Initiative. Individual tickets for the event are \$50. The Commission hopes to energize the Houston business and legal communities to further improve the status of women of color in the legal profession.