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New Research Uncovers Lack of Diversity Among State Court Judges

For the first time, researchers collected demographic data regarding state court judges in all 50 states, and what they found was ... not good. For example, less than a third of state judges are women, and less than 20 percent are people of color. Infographics, a video, and other resources from the American Constitution Society for Law and Policy help illustrate what it calls [the Gavel Gap](#), and why diversity and inclusion are especially important at the state court level.

State Bar of Georgia Calls for More Transparency from Judicial Ethics Agency

Should the state of Georgia's judicial ethics watchdog group be allowed to operate in secrecy? Lobbyists for the State Bar of Georgia say no. As the Judicial Qualifications Commission held an unpublicized closed-door meeting at the same resort, the bar's director of governmental affairs discussed his and others' concerns in a panel discussion at the bar's Annual Meeting. What are those concerns, what does the JQC have to say, and how likely is it that the curtain will be lifted? [The Daily Report](#) takes a closer look.

Ready to Show off That 990? The IRS Says You Are

Did you know that the IRS recently began publishing nonprofit organizations' tax returns in a machine-readable format on Amazon Web Services? Before you hurry off to see if your bar's Form 990 has been uploaded yet, read this article from the [Sunlight Foundation](#), which calls this move a big step into "the age of transparency."

When It Comes to Resumes, the Work You Do for Free Isn't Nothing

A recent survey revealed that just 30 percent of resumes list volunteer work. Meanwhile, 86 percent of respondents who either make or influence hiring decisions say that volunteer work makes candidates more appealing. What's going on here? [Fast Company](#) offers more details on the survey, the disparity it revealed, and a certain myth that could be causing some job seekers (Maybe your members? Or you?) to make a big mistake.

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