

## **CLE: Implicit Bias in the Legal Profession and in Legal Proceedings**

Dear FBA and Affinity Group Members:

The FBA Diversity Committee, together with Minnesota Women Lawyers and the Minnesota Hispanic Bar Association, are proud to announce a free CLE event featuring U.S. District Court Judge Mark Bennett (N.D. Iowa), Magistrate Judge Becky Thorson, and jury consultant Dr. Samantha Holmes, Ph.D, on the topic of implicit bias in the legal profession and in legal proceedings. The presentation will provide a thorough overview of implicit bias, including its psychological underpinnings grounded in stereotyping and priming, neuroscience, and social science studies, and measuring and examining implicit bias in oneself. The details of the event are as follows:

<b>Location:</b>	<b>Stinson Leonard Street LLP, 50 South 5th Street, Suite 2600, Minneapolis, MN 55402</b>
<b>Date and Time:</b>	<b>Tuesday, October 23, 2018, 3:00-5:00, reception to follow (light appetizers and refreshments)</b>
<b>CLE Credit:</b>	<b>2 credits of elimination of bias credit sought</b>
<b>Registration:</b>	<b><a href="#">(click here)</a></b>
<b>Fee:</b>	<b>Free</b>

Judge Bennett is a nationally-recognized expert and scholar on implicit bias, having conducted empirical research and published numerous articles on the subject. He has presented to more than 2,500 state and federal judges and thousands of lawyers.

Dr. Samantha Holmes has worked in the field of jury psychology for almost two decades and has worked with clients on hundreds of cases. She has published numerous articles and served as a faculty lecturer at many law firms, as well as regional and national conferences. Her biography can be found [here](#).

Becky R. Thorson is a U.S. Magistrate Judge for the District of Minnesota. Prior to beginning her term in 2014, Judge Thorson was a trial attorney at Robins, Kaplan, Miller & Ceresi LLP, where she practiced intellectual property litigation. Prior to joining Robins, she was a partner at the Green Espel PLLP Law Firm. Judge Thorson is an adjunct professor at the Mitchell Hamline School of Law.

If you have any questions, please contact Phillip Kitzer at [kitzer@tkkrlaw.com](mailto:kitzer@tkkrlaw.com). Space is limited, so please register soon.

We hope to see you there!