

# News You Can Use

November 10, 2017

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## 2017-2018 Leadership Team Announced

The Montgomery County Commission for Women is excited to announce our new executive committee for 2018:

**President - Lorna Forde**  
**First Vice President - Nicole Drew**  
**Second Vice President - Tracy Evans**  
**Secretary - Karmen Rouland**

In addition, we welcomed 5 new commissioners! In the coming weeks, we will highlight our new commissioners. We hope you will join us for our upcoming Coffee with a Commissioner to get to know some of our new folks & learn more about our work.



**Lorna Forde, President**

Lorna Phillips Forde is a 25 year resident of Germantown, MD and was appointed to the Commission in July, 2012. She is a small Business owner in Montgomery County and a certified contracts manager with over 20 years of professional experience in finance and contract management. Through her various affiliations, she has a long history of serving and advocating for women and children in the community.



**Nicole Drew, First Vice President**

Nicole Y. Drew, Esq. is an attorney employed by the federal government. She has served as a criminal prosecutor and attorney-advisor for procurement, federal employment and labor law issues. She has served the community in a variety of ways, including mentorship, and providing computer training to female residents at various domestic violence shelters.



**Tracy Evans, Second Vice President**

Tracy Evans is a mom, wife, television producer, manager and writer. Her work has appeared on NBC, truTV, Court TV, TLC, Lifetime, Animal Planet, FOX, Travel Channel and other national media outlets. Ever since she was a little girl, Tracy's mom encouraged her to speak up for herself and other women.



**Karmen Rouland, Secretary**

Dr. Karmen Rouland was appointed to the Commission for Women in July 2013. She received her Ph.D. in Education and Psychology from the University of Michigan and her M.S. in Psychology from the University of Michigan. She is the recipient of many honors and awards including the University of Michigan Department of Psychology Dissertation and Thesis Grant; the University of Michigan Judith and Howard Sims Medal for Outstanding Research Paper; and was recognized in Who's Who in American Colleges and Universities.

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## **Congratulations to former Commissioner Daphnee Kelley!**



We are thrilled to share that former Commissioner Daphnee Kelley has been named one of the Maryland Coalition Against Sexual Assault's (MCASA) 2018 Visionary Award Recipients! Former Commissioner Kelley provided riveting testimony on HB418 and SB217, Criminal Law--Sexual Offenses--Physical Resistance. The "No Means No" bill was signed into law last Spring. Miss her testimony? [You can watch it here.](#)

MCASA's reception honoring the 2018 awardees will be on January 18, 2018 from 6:30-8:30pm. More information is below.



*Working to End Sexual Violence in Maryland*

Please join us at our 2018 Legislative Reception to honor

## ***MCASA's Visionary Award Recipients***

This year MCASA honors three outstanding Marylanders as its Visionary Award Recipients:

***Delegate Kathleen M. Dumais***  
Vice-Chair, House Judiciary Committee

***Daphnee Kelley***  
Survivor and Advocate

***Daniel A. Katz, Esquire***  
Gilbert Employment Law

Show your support for survivors in Maryland by recognizing those who help us fulfill our mission:

*to prevent sexual assault,*

*to advocate for accessible and compassionate care for survivors,*

*and to work to hold offenders accountable.*

MCASA's Legislative Reception honoring our Visionary Award Recipients is:

**Thursday, January 18, 2018, 6:30 p.m.-8:30 p.m.**  
**Harry Browne's Restaurant Gallery Room**  
**Annapolis, MD**

Tickets are \$45 for MCASA members, \$60 for non-members, and free for legislators.

Click here for [tickets](#).

Ad prices run from \$75 for a quarter page to \$150 for a full page.

Click [here](#) to purchase an ad.

For more information, please contact our Executive Director and Counsel, Lisae C. Jordan or Tony Korol-Evans at [301-328-7023](tel:301-328-7023) or [tkorolevans@mcasa.org](mailto:tkorolevans@mcasa.org).

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## **CFW Programming**

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The Montgomery County Commission for Women and  
Family Law Section, Montgomery County Bar Association  
presents

## FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT IN THE DIVORCE AND SEPARATION PROCESS



Monday, November 13, 2017  
Rockville Library, First Floor Meeting Room  
7:00 - 8:30pm

Fee: \$5

Register at:

<https://separationanddivorce.eventbrite.com>

Questions:

240-777-8333 or [cfwinfo@montgomerycountymd.gov](mailto:cfwinfo@montgomerycountymd.gov)

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Save the Date!

— 2018 —

# WLB

**Women's Legislative Briefing**

Enlightened, Empowered, Engaged

Sunday, January 28, 2018

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**Community News**

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7<sup>th</sup> annual  
Montgomery County, MD  
**Transgender Day  
of Remembrance**

Sunday, November 19<sup>th</sup>, 2017  
4:00 p.m. – 6:00p.m.

**Montgomery County, MD Executive Office Building**  
101 Monroe Street • Rockville, MD 20850

Please join us as we remember our siblings taken by transphobic violence through murder and suicide – centering the experiences of trans women of color, who continue to be targeted in our community, country and world. We especially remember Zella Ziona and Keyonna Blakeney, Black trans women murdered in Gaithersburg and Rockville in 2015 and 2016.

**Speakers and music • Quieter spaces with listener companions • Candelight vigil  
Reception with food & resources • All are welcome • FREE • Donations invited**

*MoCo TDOR is sponsored by the [MoCo Pride Center](#) and [Maryland Trans\\*Unity](#).*



**Garage & street parking • Rockville Metro (Red Line) & buses  
Wheelchair accessible & armless movable chairs • ASL interpretation upon request**



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