**AGENDA**

**NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF BLIND LAWYERS**

**2025 ANNUAL MEETING**

**ILLUMINATING JUSTICE: EMPOWERMENT, ACCESS, AND ADVOCACY IN THE LEGAL PROFESSION**

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**Thursday, July 10, 2025**

**Galerie 3**

**Marriott New Orleans**

**New Orleans, Louisiana**

**Join Zoom Meeting**

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Note: This meeting is taking place in U.S. Central Time.

1:00 PM WELCOME, LOGISTICS, & INTRODUCTIONS

Ronza Othman, President, NABL; Baltimore, Maryland

1:15 PM INNOVATIONS IN BLINDNESS TECHNOLOGY FOR LEGAL PROFESSIONALS INCLUDING MONARCH: PARTNERING WITH HUMANWARE

Joel Zimba, Blindness Product Specialist, Humanware; Baltimore, Maryland

1:25 PM FULL CIRCLE OF ADVOCACY: FROM NFB TO BROWN GOLDSTEIN & LEVY AND BACK

 Julie Orozco, Disability Fellow, Brown Goldstein & Levy;

 Washington, DC

1:40 PM ADVANCING EQUITY THROUGH THE COURTS: A SURVEY OF NFB AND OTHER DISABILITY RIGHTS LITIGATION

Eve Hill, General Counsel, NFB; Partner, Brown Goldstein & Levy; Arlington, Virginia

2:10 PM SHAPING THE FUTURE: BLIND CURRENT AND PROSPECTIVE LAW STUDENTS ON ASPIRATION, PREPARATION, AND PURPOSE

Moderator: Deepa Goraya, First Vice President, NABL; Washington, DC

Kaleigh Brindle, Rising 1L (Fall 2026); Brick, New Jersey

Nikhel Dadlani, Rising 1L (Fall 2026); Berkeley, California

Sergio Arvizu Arguelles, Rising 1L (Fall 2025); Skillman, New Jersey

2:40 PM BREAK

2:55 PM CLIENT POWER, LEGAL IMPACT: CONFRONTING GOVERNMENT INACCESSIBILITY AND WINNING

Lisa Maria Martinez, Plaintiff; Union City, California

Tim Elder, Second Vice President, NABL; Freemont, California

3:15 PM JUSTICE FOR STUDENTS: ONE STUDENT’S JOURNEY TO HOLD LEGAL EDUCATION ACCOUNTABLE

Elizabeth Rouse, Board Member, NABL; Durant, Iowa

3:30 PM BLUEPRINTS FOR ACCESS: THE U.S. ACCESS BOARD’S WORK ON BUILT AND DIGITAL INCLUSION

Christopher J. Kuczynski, General Counsel, ACCESS Board; Washington, DC

3:50 PM INSIDE ACCESS: EXPERIENCES FROM BLIND IN-HOUSE COUNSEL

Moderator: Tim Elder, Second Vice President, NABL; Freemont, California

Morissa Fregeau, Senior Corporate Counsel, Aflac; Florence, Massachusetts

Therese Wales, Vice President, Associate General Counsel, FactSet; Fairfield, Connecticut

4:15 PM ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING

4:30 PM ADJOURN TO RECEPTION

Join us for cocktails and hors d'oeuvres in Salon F as we celebrate the progress of our organization. Network and meet your fellow blind attorneys and legal professionals. We thank Jackson Walker LLP for sponsoring our annual meeting and networking reception!

