



**ASSEMBLY STANDING COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY
ASSEMBLY SUBCOMMITTEE ON DIVERSITY IN LAW**

NOTICE OF ROUNDTABLE

SUBJECT: Diversity in the Legal Profession

PURPOSE: To discuss strategies for promoting increased diversity in the legal profession.

New York City
Thursday, January 14, 2016
10:30 am – 1:30 pm
Assembly Hearing Room
250 Broadway, Room 1923, 19th Floor
New York, NY

Participation by Invitation Only

Diversity in the legal profession is necessary to best serve the people of New York State. In addition to serving the individual legal needs of the community, the legal profession provides leaders and policymakers including executive and legislative officials, judges, prosecutors, general counsels, and heads of corporate, government, nonprofit and legal organizations. Therefore, it is important that the membership of the profession be as diverse and inclusive as the populations it serves. However, some reports highlight that the legal profession continues to lack minority representation. This roundtable will discuss the current state of the legal profession and strategies for promoting increased diversity.

Persons invited to participate at the above roundtable should complete and return the enclosed reply form as soon as possible. It is important that the reply form be fully completed and returned so that persons may be notified in the event of emergency postponement or cancellation. In order to further publicize this roundtable, please inform interested parties and organizations of this upcoming roundtable discussion.

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ROUNDTABLE REPLY FORM

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- I have been invited, and plan to attend and participate in, the roundtable on “Diversity in the Legal Profession” to be conducted by the Assembly Standing Committee on Judiciary and the Assembly Subcommittee on Diversity in Law in **New York City on Tuesday, January 14, 2016 at 10:30 A.M.**
- I plan to attend and observe the roundtable on “Diversity in the Legal Profession.”
- I will address my remarks to the following subjects:

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- I do not plan to attend or participate in the public roundtable(s) on “Diversity in the Legal Profession”
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