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A Resource for Recruiting
Diverse and Women Lawyers
as CLE Faculty





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What are the purposes of the MAP Project?

- ▶ Identify ethnically diverse and women attorneys who are qualified and available to write articles for and present topics at the State Bar's continuing legal education courses.
- ▶ Assist course directors and course planning committees in diversifying their faculty.
- ▶ Increase the visibility of attorneys through their participation on the speakers circuit.

Why should I join the MAP Project?

- ▶ Become recognized as an authority in an area of law.
- ▶ Increase your business and networking opportunities.
- ▶ Receive e-mail blasts with information on topics of interest.
- ▶ Meet other experts in your field.
- ▶ Attend the course you speak for at no charge.
- ▶ Receive written materials for the course you speak for at no charge.
- ▶ Receive complimentary online educational resources useful to you as a speaker and as a practicing attorney.

What happens to the information I provide?

The State Bar will store your profile in a database for use by TexasBarCLE and the Office of Minority Affairs. This will facilitate the providing of that information to course directors and planning committees. The committees may then draw upon that information when making their selections of speakers and authors for upcoming seminars.

How do I join the MAP project?

Complete and send in the application on the next page.



The **MAP** Project Speaker/Author Form

Please note that our speakers are volunteers, expected to write a high quality accompanying paper. (We do not pay honorariums, but do pay reasonable out-of-pocket expenses for travel and lodging.) While we cannot guarantee you a slot, this form will help us bring you to the attention of those who typically make CLE faculty decisions: the course director and planning committee (also volunteers) in consultation with State Bar staff. Thank you for your interest!



Name _____

Email _____

Firm/Organization Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____

Date(s) and States Admitted to Practice Law _____

Ethnicity (optional): African-Amer. Hispanic Asian/Pacific Other

Gender (optional): Male Female (Optional): LGBT

References (if possible, provide names and contact information of persons who can vouch for your speaking abilities, especially as a CLE speaker):

Please check up to three practice areas below in which you have expertise:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> ADR | <input type="checkbox"/> Environmental | <input type="checkbox"/> LGBT Law |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Appellate/Civil: | <input type="checkbox"/> Ethics/Professionalism | <input type="checkbox"/> Litigation: Commercial |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Bankruptcy | <input type="checkbox"/> Family | <input type="checkbox"/> Litigation: Personal Injury |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Business | <input type="checkbox"/> Federal | <input type="checkbox"/> Oil, Gas & Mineral |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Consumer | <input type="checkbox"/> Gov't/Administrative | <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Corporate Counsel | <input type="checkbox"/> Health Care | <input type="checkbox"/> Real Estate |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Entertainment Law | <input type="checkbox"/> Law Practice Mgmt. | |

Your specific area of interest (please be detailed): _____

Feel free to also attach your resume or material you have written that you would like us to consider in evaluating you as a potential speaker.

Please mail or fax (512-427-4100) your completed form to the Office of Minority Affairs, State Bar of Texas, 1414 Colorado Street, Austin, TX 78701.

Questions? Email minorityaffairs@texasbar.com

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