

## The Intersection of Racism and Domestic Violence: *Advocating for Survivors of Color*

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**Monday, May 21, 2018, noon – 3:00 pm**

King County Bar Association: 1200 5th Avenue Suite 700 Seattle, WA 98101

**This CLE is FREE to all new and current KCBA Pro Bono Services volunteers**  
Registration is required.  
Attendance is in person or via video streaming.

<u>In-Person Location</u>	<u>Please RSVP for</u>
King County Bar Association: 1200 5th Avenue Suite 700 Seattle, WA 98101	<u>streaming instructions</u>

**Please RSVP to Dominique Shannon at DominiqueS@kcba.org**  
**Please indicate if you will be attending in-person or streaming, and if you are an attorney be sure to include your bar number.**

### AGENDA

11:55 am – 12:00 pm	<b>Welcome and Introductions</b>
12:00 – 1:00 pm	<b>Overview of Domestic Violence</b> <i>This section will cover an overview of the legal and behavioral definitions of domestic violence, and racism’s specific effects on African-American domestic violence survivors.</i>
1:00 – 1:15 PM	<b>Break</b>
1:15 – 2:15 PM	<b>Barriers Facing Survivors of Color</b> <i>This section will cover a more in-depth analysis of the barriers survivors of color face when seeking services, and how tactics used by abusers mirror oppressive tactics.</i>
2:15 – 2:45 PM	<b>Advocating for Clients</b> <i>This section will articulate ways to provide more culturally relevant services to clients, and ways that lawyers and pro bono services volunteers can effectively advocate for their clients.</i>

## Biographies

### *Doris O'Neal, DV Director, YWCA of Seattle King Snohomish*

Doris O'Neal is the Director of Domestic Violence Services, YWCA King County. She has been employed with the YWCA for 12 years. She has worked in the Domestic Violence Prevention and Advocacy field for over 20 years. In her former role, she worked for the King County Prosecutor's Office for 16 years in the civil and criminal divisions. In her current position as DV Director, she manages a DV shelter, Community Advocacy programs, and a Commercial Sexual exploitation (CSE) program. She has developed and implemented an on-going CSE program that provides supportive services for adult survivors that have been involved in human trafficking, and is a partner on the CEASE Task force team. She's a former board member of the Coalition Ending Gender Based Violence.

### *Maria Pintar, Domestic Violence Legal Advocate, YWCA*

Maria Pintar, M.A., is the Domestic Violence Legal Advocate at the YWCA of Seattle/King/Snohomish, where she is just starting her fifth year as a staff member. She provides information and supportive services to domestic violence survivors who are filing protection orders, divorces, parenting plans, and many other types of legal cases. Maria also advocates for survivors with courts, landlords, housing authorities, banks, police departments, attorneys, DSHS, and any other system survivors interact with as they seek safety and justice. Maria has worked in the field of domestic violence, sexual violence, and commercial sexual exploitation as an advocate since 2006.