

15th Annual Dan Mathews Golf Outing

Monday, August 8th | New Location: Drumlins, East Course

CLE | Pathways Out of Poverty – Economic Development for All

Monday, August 8 | 4:00 to 5:30 p.m. | Sign-in Begins at 3:30 p.m. | Drumlins Country Club, 800 Nottingham Road, Syracuse, NY 13224 | Cost: \$20 for CLE Only | 1.5 MCLE (Professional Practice) | Under NYS rules this CLE has been *APPROVED* for both Newly Admitted and Experienced Attorneys

This 1.5-credit CLE discusses how pro bono attorneys can engage *on a grassroots level* to help create pathways out of poverty.

Syracuse recently made national headlines for having the highest rate of extreme poverty concentrated among blacks and Hispanics out of *100 largest metropolitan areas in the United States*. Syracuse's poverty rate is 33.2% (more than twice the New York State average), and nearly two-thirds (66.2%) of black and Hispanics who live in Syracuse live in poverty, and are concentrated within 30 census tracts, which make up approximately half of the city's geographic area. CNY's Upstate Revitalization Initiative application states, "Poverty rates and social inequality prevent the region from realizing its full economic potential. Residents of inner-city neighborhoods, rural communities, and, increasingly, inner-ring suburbs struggle to access jobs and build wealth. This is evidenced by the chilling statistic that 44 percent of Central New York's population is living at or near the poverty line." These statistics are overwhelming and leave us wondering how we can be part of the process of lifting our community out of poverty and generating economic development for our entire region.

Featured Speakers

- **Moderator: Laurence Bousquet**, Member & Board of Manager, Bousquet Holstein, PLLC, President, OnVLP
- **Dirk Sonneborn**, Executive Director, Gifford Foundation
- **Dominic Robinson**, Vice President of Economic Inclusion, Centerstate CEO
- **Stephanie Pasquale**, Deputy Commissioner of Neighborhood & Business Development, City of Syracuse
- **Lanessa Owens**, Executive Director, William Herbert Johnson Bar Association; Co-Chair, OCBA Diversity & Inclusion Committee; Staff Attorney, OnVLP
- **Sally Curran**, Director, OnVLP

Topics will include:

- **partnering with community organizations to identify community needs and develop strategies to address those needs**
- **building relationships between private and public sectors**
- **supporting creative and innovative economic development**
- **helping support business and job development that is inclusive for our community**