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May 11, 2021

Duration: 12:00 pm—1:00 pm

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One hour of general CLE credit for Illinois attorneys (pending)

Presenters— Esther Franco-Payne, Executive Director, Cabrini Green Legal Aid and Ryann Moran, Supervising Attorney, Cabrini Green Legal Aid

Topic— No Longer Locked Out: The Rights of People with Criminal Records in Real Estate.

Biography

Esther Franco-Payne is the Executive Director of Cabrini Green Legal Aid (CGLA), where she leads the strategy, fundraising and overall management of the organization. With a long career in violence prevention and criminal justice advocacy, Esther's personal commitment has been to serve as a voice for underserved communities of color. Growing up on Chicago's south side, she understands the issues that permeate communities impacted by crime, poverty, and disinvestment. Through her work with CGLA, Esther aims to spread CGLA's impact through Chicago, Cook County and the State of Illinois. She is a long-time advocate who has engaged the public in the development of effective criminal justice and juvenile justice policies and continues to educate the community about issues related to exposure to trauma, violence prevention, and criminal justice reform.

Ms. Franco-Payne is an alumnus of the University of Chicago School of Social Service Administration. She is a member of the Illinois Juvenile Justice Commission, the federally mandated State Advisory Group to the Governor, the General Assembly and the Illinois Department of Human Services and Chairperson of the DMC Committee, focused on eliminating racial disparities in the juvenile justice system.

Ryann Moran is the Supervising Attorney for the Civil Programs at CGLA. She manages CGLA's legal services in housing, family and civil asset forfeiture. Ryann was an early member of the Just Housing Initiative, which successfully advocated for an amendment to the Cook County Human Rights Ordinance to provide protections against housing discrimination for people with criminal records. She has spoken on panels for the Chicago Bar Association, the Illinois Bar Association and the Housing Justice Network national conference on issues related to housing for people with criminal records. A graduate of DePaul University College of Law, Ryann has been licensed to practice since 2009.