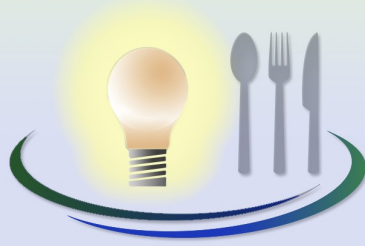


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**February 15, 2022**

**Duration:** 12:00 pm—1:00 pm

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### **Lunch & Learn via WebEx**

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### **CLE Credit:**

One Hour of General CLE Credit for Illinois Attorneys (pending)

**Presenter:** Barry C. Taylor, Vice President for Civil Rights and Systemic Litigation  
Equip for Equality

**Topic:** Covid—19 and Employment

### **Biography**

Barry Taylor is the Vice President for Civil Rights and Systemic Litigation at Equip for Equality, where has worked since 1996. At Equip for Equality, he has overseen many individual and systemic disability discrimination cases including successful federal ADA suits against the National Board of Medical Examiners, the Chicago Police Department, and the Chicago Transit Authority. He is currently co-counsel in seven class actions, including lead counsel in *Ligas v. Eagleson*, a class action on behalf of people with developmental disabilities who are seeking community services. Barry has given numerous presentations on the ADA across the country to people with disabilities, family members, attorneys, employers, businesses, service providers and advocacy organizations.

Barry has served as the Chairperson of the Disability Rights Consortium, Chairperson of the Regional Transit Authority's ADA Advisory Committee; Chairperson of Season of Concern, Chairperson of the Legal Committee for the National Association of Protection and Advocacy Systems, Chairperson of the Chicago Bar Association's Legal Aid Committee, Chairperson of the Chicago Bar Association's Mental Health and Disability Law Committee, and Co-Chairperson of the Chicago Bar Foundation's Pro Bono Week. He has served on Senator Dick Durbin's Federal Judicial Screening Committee and currently serves on the Governor's and City of Chicago's Task Force on the Employment and Economic Opportunity for Persons with Disabilities. He is an Adjunct Professor at the University of Chicago Law School, and in 2001, Chicago Lawyer Magazine named him one of "40 Illinois Attorneys Under 40 to Watch."

Prior to coming to Equip for Equality, Barry was the AIDS Project Attorney in the Midwest Regional Office of Lambda Legal working to advance the civil rights of people living with HIV/AIDS. His caseload included a successful challenge to discriminatory inquiries by the Chicago Public Schools on teacher applications.