

Accelerate 2018: Grow. Rise. Lead.
University of Nebraska College of Law
November 1- 2, 2018

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 1, 2018

- 3:30 – 4:30 p.m. **Early Registration**
Lobby of the Courtyard Marriott Haymarket, 808 R Street
- 5:00 - 7:00 p.m. **Husch Blackwell Networking Reception**
Hopcat, 601 P Street

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 2, 2018

**All Friday Events will take place at the College of Law, 1875 N. 42nd Street.*

***For those staying at the Courtyard Marriott Downtown Lincoln/Haymarket, a shuttle will be available for transport to the College leaving at 8:00 a.m.*

- 8:00 – 9:00 a.m. **Registration**
- 8:00 – 9:00 a.m. **Networking Breakfast Roundtables** (Room 171)
- 9:00 – 9:15 a.m. **Welcome** (Hamann Auditorium – Room 115)
Richard Moberly, Dean & Danielle Allison, Executive Director of Ms. JD
- 9:15 – 10:00 a.m. **Negotiate Like A Boss** (Hamann Auditorium – Room 115)
Moderated by Professor Kristen Blankley
Panelists:
Barb Davis, Attorney and Consultant
Gail Perry, Vice President/Associate General Counsel, Ameritas
Torrey Gerdes, Partner, Baylor Evnen LLP
Jennifer Petersen, Sr. Labor & Employment Counsel, Werner Enterprises
- 10:00 – 10:45 a.m. **Self-Promotion: Putting Your Best Foot Forward to Get What You Want** (Hamann Auditorium – Room 115)
Discussion with Jeana Goosmann, CEO, Founder, Managing Partner of Goosmann Law Firm
hosted by *Molly Brummond, Assistant Dean of External Relations & Strategic Initiatives*
- 10:45 – 11:00 a.m. **Break**

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Nonverbal Messages You're Sending That Are Holding You Back (Hamann Auditorium – Room 115)

Moderated by Elsbeth Magilton, Executive Director of the Space, Cyber, Telecommunications LLM Program

Panelists:

Jamie Reyes, Director of Transportation and Railroad Safety/Legal Counsel, Nebraska Public Service Commission

Marnie Jensen, Partner, Husch Blackwell

Tosha Rae Heavican, Associate, Hightower Reff

11:50 – 12:30 p.m.

Lunch Distribution

You are invited to bring your lunch back to Hamann Auditorium or enjoy it elsewhere within the College of Law. Just be sure to be seated for the keynote program that begins in the Auditorium at 12:30 p.m.

12:30 – 1:30 p.m.

Fireside Chat with Hon. Riko Bishop, Judge of the Nebraska Court of Appeals, 1st Judicial District (Hamann Auditorium – Room 115)

hosted by Erin C. Callahan, President, Ms. JD

1:45 – 2:45 p.m.

Breakout Sessions:

Firm Life 101: The Unwritten Rules (Room 125)

Moderated by Tasha Everman, Assistant Dean of Career Development

Panelists:

Kristin Krueger, Partner, Koley Jessen

Lily Amare, Associate, Cline Williams Wright Johnson & Oldfather

Brenda Smith, Partner, Dvorak Law Group

Marnie Jensen, Partner, Husch Blackwell

Careers Beyond the Firm: Who Needs Billable Hours?!? (Hamann Auditorium – Room 115)

Moderated by Kala Mueller, Director of Public Interest Programs

Panelists:

Danielle Allison, Executive Director, Ms. JD

Kara Ronnau, Executive General Counsel, Aurora Cooperative Elevator Company

Angela Zimmer, Managing Attorney, Watson & Carroll

Kari Schmitz, Legal Operations Specialist, Hudl

2:45 – 3:00 p.m.

Break

3:00 – 3:50 p.m.

Making the Most of Mentors (Hamann Auditorium – Room 115)

Moderated by Katie Pfannenstiel, Assistant Director of Alumni Relations

Panelists:

Maleaha Brown, Vice President, Fellowship Director, Ms. JD

Tara Paulson, Partner, Rembolt Ludtke

Ellie Rohr, Legal Counsel, Nebraska Public Service Commission

Tara Stingley, Partner, Cline Williams Wright Johnson & Oldfather

3:50 – 4:50 p.m.

10 Things I Wish I Would Have Known In Law School

Moderated by Melissa McCoy, Director of Enrollment Strategy & Communications (Hamann Auditorium – Room 115)

Panelists:

Alyssa Stokes, Associate, Koley Jessen

Christin Lovegrove, Partner, Heinisch Lovegrove

Hon. Rachel Daugherty, District Court Judge

Megan Belcher, Senior VP, General Counsel, Secretary, The Scoular Company

4:50 – 5:00 p.m.

Closing Remarks (Hamann Auditorium – Room 115)

Molly Brummond, Assistant Dean of External Relations & Strategic Initiatives