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Access to Justice CLE
Serving Oregon's Poor

Speaker Biographies:

Maya Crawford Peacock
Executive Director, Campaign for Equal Justice
Maya began serving as CEJ's Executive Director in July of 2016. Maya is a 2003 graduate of Lewis and Clark Law School and has an extensive background in poverty law, having worked for Legal Aid Services of Oregon for many years. She also served as the Associate Director of the Campaign for several years. According to Gerry Gaydos, CEJ board member, "Maya has rich experience in serving low-income clients and in coordinating legal aid's volunteer lawyer opportunities. She is well known in the legal community for her passion for access to justice and for her professional integrity. Our Board is very pleased to have this proven leader take the helm of CEJ and continue our work of making our civil justice system accessible to everyone -- not just the few who can afford it." Sandy Hansberger, former CEJ ED who has worked with Maya in a number of different capacities during the past decade, including during Maya's tenure as Associate Director of the Campaign, says, "Maya is well respected in the legal community and has many connections with the private bar. She is the perfect choice to lead the next phase of the Campaign's growth. I have the utmost confidence in her abilities."

Monica Goracke
Executive Director of Oregon Law Center
The Oregon Law Center is one of the organizations that provide civil legal aid services to low-income people statewide. Monica previously served as managing attorney of Oregon Law Center's Portland Regional Office from 2009 to 2018, and was a staff attorney at OLC from 2005 to 2009. Prior to joining OLC, she was a staff attorney at Disability Rights Advocates in California and a judicial clerk for the Honorable Myron H. Thompson of the U.S. District Court in Montgomery, Alabama. Monica earned her undergraduate degree from Williams College and her law degree from Stanford University Law School. She grew up in Grants Pass, Oregon.