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2010 ANNUAL NCWBA PUBLIC SERVICE AND OUTSTANDING MEMBER PROGRAM AWARDS

Name of project

"Legally Speaking"

Name of sponsoring women's bar association

Georgia Association of Black Women Attorneys (GABWA)

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Description of The Georgia Association of Black Women Attorneys

The Georgia Association of Black Women Attorneys ("GABWA") was founded in 1981 by three distinguished African-American jurists: The Honorable Leah Ward Sears, Former Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Georgia, The Honorable Barbara A. Harris, and The Honorable Bensonetta Tipton Lane. Their dutiful efforts were assisted by other renowned jurists and trailblazers in the Georgia legal community, fondly referred to as "the Founding Members." They collectively had the desire to form a voluntary bar organization that would focus on women and children's issues, increase black female representation in the judiciary and in public offices, and take a proactive stance on political issues. Today, GABWA enjoys its largest growth to slightly over 500 members, which encapsulates all persons, regardless of race or gender, who all share GABWA's mission "to nurture, support and galvanize the power of Black women attorneys, advocate for women and children and empower our communities."

GABWA spearheads several programs to assist women and children. Some of GABWA's major contributions to the local community include the "AIM Back to School Blowout," where GABWA contributes school supplies to children of incarcerated mothers filling book bags with age-appropriate school supplies and presenting them to the children at a party hosted in conjunction with Forever Family, Inc.; the Sister to Sister mentoring program in which teenage and middle school aged girls identified as troubled youth are mentored; awarding annual scholarships to female students who attend one of the five Georgia law schools; the Health and Wellness Expo sponsored in conjunction with the Restorative Justice Center of the Atlanta Municipal Court, which serves to educate the community about medical conditions that disparately impact African-Americans; "Eat Well, Test Well," at which GABWA delivers breakfast to hundreds of students at a local primary school on the morning that they take standardized tests; monthly community service projects targeted towards women and children; and the mentorship and development of women law students through annual programs.

GABWA also has a great impact on the political community through its very influential political action committee which is aimed at supporting and electing individuals with agendas that aid and support women and children. Regularly, GABWA hosts a breakfast with local legislators to bring to their attention the membership's position on key legislation affecting women and children. During years in which elections are held, both local and national, GABWA sponsors debates and other political fora, evaluates candidates, endorses selected candidates, and disseminates slates of its political endorsees to educate the public about the candidates.

Members also support law students through résumé and interviewing workshops and an annual Blue Jeans Brunch that introduces law students to the organization's leaders and members. In addition, GABWA hosts periodic book club meetings, an annual fashion show, and several networking receptions.

GABWA has been the proud recipient of NCWBA's Public Service and Outstanding Member Program Award for the past three years, and it is our hope to continue this rewarding trend.



Description of GABWA's "Legally Speaking"

"Legally Speaking" is a community outreach effort with the goal of providing essential legal information to an audience who is rarely knowledgeable about the legal issues they are likely to encounter. GABWA members serve as the producers of each segment (episode). Members assigned to produce a segment frame topics and select the guest(s) for the show. Producers interview the guests and draft an outline of what the segment should cover. All guests graciously appear free of charge, being fulfilled with the satisfaction that they are educated a community in need. In addition to the information guests may discuss during the segment, viewers are given pertinent websites and phone numbers related to a topic during the credits for the show.

"Legally Speaking" was part of GABWA's original programming in the early years of the organization. At the beginning of her GABWA presidency in 2004, Allegra Lawrence-Hardy, Esq., envisioned bringing "Legally Speaking" out of hiatus. She scheduled a meeting to bring members interested in the show together for a brain-storming session about how the show could be revitalized. From that initial meeting, a committee was formed, and, since that time, the show has produced four to six segments each year on various legal topics with the production assistance of Clark Atlanta University's media department.

Jacqueline Bunn, Esq. has served as the chair of the "Legally Speaking" Committee, assisted by co-chair Wendy Jerkins, through several GABWA presidential administrations. Ms. Bunn also has served as the show's host. The first segment taped after the show was revived explored issues surrounding identity theft. The guests for the show were Georgia Attorney General Thurbert Baker; Andrea Forster, Southeast Regional Director for the FTC; and John For, the Chief Privacy Officer of the credit reporting agency Equifax. Since that initial show, subsequent thirty-minute segments have covered a variety of legal topics and beyond.

Some of the topics covered over the years have included elder law issues discussed by Adrienne Ashby, Esq., from the Georgia Legal Aid elder law project, and Lindsay Jones, Esq. who discussed employment issues from the perspective of both employers and employees. Mr. Jones addressed the types of disputes that arise and the various forms of discrimination that can take place in a workplace. In 2005, during Domestic Violence Awareness Month, "Legally Speaking" did a two-part series on the growing issue of domestic violence in the community at large and on college campuses. Judge Gail Tusan of the Fulton County Superior Court, Family Division, helped to produce this two-part segment and co-hosted the show. Judge Tusan also offered her insights on this important issue. Her perspective from the bench was most informative. The guests for this segment were Dr. Rosemary Armstrong, a licensed professional counselor and the Director of the Counseling and Learning Skill Resource Center at Morehouse College; Cassandre Gallette, Esq., from the Atlanta Volunteer Lawyers Foundation; Khaatim S.

El, the Internship/Mentoring Coordinator for Men Stopping Violence; and Jennifer Reid, Chief of Staff of Atlanta University Center Counsel and a junior at Spelman College. Ms. Reid's first-hand account of her experience as a victim of domestic violence was riveting. Students from the Atlanta University Center, who filled the studio audience to overflow capacity, were encouraged to ask the guests questions at the end of the taping. Since that time, the show has attempted to cover something related to domestic violence each year because of the significant impact on women and children.

Additionally, "Legally Speaking" has covered topics such as mortgage fraud, voter's rights, how to select a lawyer, and many others. In 2008, DeKalb County District Attorney Gwendolyn Keyes Fleming appeared on a segment to discuss search and seizure issues including "no knock warrants." Another segment in 2008 covered some of the reasons for incarceration. The guest discussing this issue was Kathryn Stanley, Esq., the Executive Director of Civil Pro Bono Family Law Project. Yet another segment explored issues surrounding kinship care. This was an important show because of the large number of grandparents in the State of Georgia who are raising their grandchildren. This show featured Emma Jean "Jean" Davis, Co-Coordinator of the AARP WarmLine and a member of Project Healthy Grandparents, who is raising her then 12-year old granddaughter; Crystal T. Pritchett of Jericho Ministry and Pro Services, Inc., who was being raised by a grandmother; Joyce Sims, Esq., staff attorney with the Georgia Legal Services Program; and Vicky Kimbrell, Esq., Director of Family Violence Project/Health Law Specialist with the Georgia Legal Services Program.

"Legally Speaking" produced five segments in 2009. In February, the show spotlighted a program called Alternative Life Paths. This program featured the program's founder and GABWA member, Camellia A. Moore, Esq. The Alternative Life Paths program has three components which include: 1) providing emergency housing for girls between the ages of 17-21, 2) providing transitional housing for girls between the ages of 17-21, and 3) providing GED prep and pre-employment counseling. Consistent with this theme, a segment was taped in February that discussed legal issues surrounding adoption. The guest for this informative segment was GABWA past president, Karlise Grier, Esq.

In March 2009, GABWA member and named partner at Ashby & Polk, LLC, Nora Polk, Esq. provided an informative discussion of child custody issues. In June 2009, the show featured renowned scholar Dr. Clayborne Carson. Dr. Carson discussed the importance of the papers of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., which has been of great interest due to the legal battle staged in Georgia over the papers, and he gave the viewers an insider's look at why this treasure trove is so significant not just for Atlanta, but for the entire world. Finally, in December, "Legally Speaking" taped its final segment for the 2009 year. That segment featured GABWA member and family law attorney, Divida Gude, Esq., who highlighted recent developments in child support.

Legally Speaking airs Monday, Wednesday, and Friday of each week on Comcast Cable Channel 23 in the Atlanta Metropolitan area. Clark Atlanta University reports there are approximately 130,000 or more viewers of the show. Additionally, GABWA members have encountered numerous people that have remarked that they watch the show, and some of the guests have said they have received calls in response to their appearance on a segment. To

increase viewership and impact, GABWA is currently updating its website with technology that will permit the streaming of "Legally Speaking" on the website.

GABWA is proud of "Legally Speaking" as no other local bar organization produces its own television show. Likewise, GABWA is pleased with the effect the program has had on those in the metropolitan Atlanta community. The scripts used in taping "Legally Speaking" and the episodes themselves are enclosed with this application to serve as a demonstrative exemplar to those organizations desiring to make a similar impact in their local communities.



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"Legally Speaking" Segment Scripts

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<u>Legally Speaking</u> Search and Seizure Segment

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AND WELCOME TO LEGALLY
SPEAKING. THIS PROGRAM IS
BEING BROUGHT TO YOU BY THE
GEORGIA ASSOCIATION OF BLACK
WOMEN ATTORNEYS AND CLARK
ATLANTA UNIVERSITY. TODAY
WE ARE GOING TO TALK ABOUT
AN IMPORTANT RIGHT
GUARANTEED BY OUR
CONSTITUTION UNDER THE
FOURTH AMENDMENT.

THE FOURTH AMENDMENT
GUARANTEES CITIZENS THE
RIGHT TO BE FREE FROM
UNREASONABLE SEARCHES AND
SEIZURES. IT ALSO REQUIRES
THAT WARRANTS FOR SEARCHES
AND SEIZURE BE ISSUED BASED
UPON PROBABLE CAUSE. WE WILL
LOOK AT THIS ISSUE FROM THE
PERSPECTIVE OF LAW
ENFORCEMENT AND THE
PERSPECTIVE OF CITIZENS.

IF YOU WATCH THE NEWS OR READ THE PAPERS, YOU HAVE HEARD ABOUT SEVERAL CASES IN RECENT YEARS, WHERE CITIZENS HAVE BEEN SHOT BY LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICIALS IN CONNECTION WITH POLICE STOPS OR SEARCHES.

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SOME YEARS BACK IN NEW YORK CITY, A WEST AFRICAN IMMIGRANT NAMED AMADOU DIALLO WAS SHOT 41 TIMES BY OFFICERS IN NEW YORK CITY AS HE WAS ATTEMPTING TO PULL OUT HIS WALLET. THOSE OFFICERS WERE CHARGED AND ULTIMATELY ACQUITTED BY A JURY OF ANY WRONG-DOING.

IN 2006, AGAIN IN NEW YORK CITY, A YOUNG AFRICAN AMERICAN MALE WAS KILLED AND TWO OF HIS FRIENDS WERE WOUNDED AS THEY LEFT A BACHELOR'S PARTY. THE SURVIVORS OF THE CONFRONTATION CLAIM THAT THEY NEVER DID NOT HAVE ANY WEAPONS AND THAT THE SHOOTING WAS UNJUSTIFIED. A JUDGE WILL ULTIMATELY DECIDE WHETHER THE OFFICERS WERE GUILTY OF A CRIME.

CLOSER TO HOME, IN ATLANTA,
92-YEAR OLD KATHRYN
JOHNSTON WAS KILLED AFTER
POLICE KNOCKED DOWN HER DOOR
BASED UPON A TIP THAT DRUGS
WERE BEING SOLD. IN DEKALB
COUNTY, IN RECENT YEARS, THERE
HAVE BEEN A NUMBER OF CASES
OF FATAL SHOOTINGS BY POLICE.
IN THE WORDS OF MARVIN GAYE.

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WE HAVE TO ASK, "WHAT'S GOING ON?"

OUR GUEST TODAY IS GWEN KEYES FLEMING THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY OF DEKALB COUNTY. HOPEFULLY SHE CAN SHED SOME INSIGHTS ABOUT BALANCING THE RIGHTS OF CITIZENS AGAINST THE NEEDS OF LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICIALS WHO ARE TRYING TO CURB CRIME IN OUR COMMUNITIES. WE ARE ESPECIALLY PROUD TO HAVE DISTRICT ATTORNEY FLEMING ON OUR SHOW BECAUSE SHE IS A LONG-STANDING, ACTIVE MEMBER OF THE GEORGIA ASSOCIATION OF BLACK WOMEN ATTORNEYS.

GWEN WAS SWORN INTO OFFICE IN DECEMBER 2004 AS THE FIRST AFRICAN AMERICAN AND FIRST FEMALE TO EVER SERVE THE CITIZENS OF DEKALB COUNTY AS DISTRICT ATTORNEY. HER OFFICE PROSECUTES APPROXIMATELY 6,000 FELONY CASES EACH YEAR. SINCE BEING IN OFFICE, SHE HAS CREATED A PRE-TRIAL DIVERSION PROGRAM, EXPANDED SERVICES

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FOR VICTIMS, AND CREATED A UNIT TO FOCUS ON CRIMES AGAINST WOMEN. D.A. FLEMING, WELCOME!

JACQUELINE:

BEFORE WE GET INTO OUR
DISCUSSION, WOULD YOU PLEASE
SHARE JUST A LITTLE BIT MORE
ABOUT YOUR BACKGROUND?

ON THE FOREFRONT OF OUR VIEWER'S MINDS RIGHT NOW IS PROBABLY THE CASE I MENTIONED IN MY INTRODUCTION INVOLVING 92 YEAR-OLD KATHRYN JOHNSON. SHE WAS SHOT WHILE THE POLICE WAS PROCEEDING ON A "NO KNOCK WARRANT."

CAN YOU EXPLAIN WHAT THE "NO KNOCK" WARRANT IS?

HOW DOES IT DIFFER FROM A REGULAR WARRANT?

WHY WAS THE "NO KNOCK" POLICY DEVELOPED?

HAVE THERE BEEN ANY LEGISLATIVE CHANGES TO ADDRESS CONCERNS WITH THIS POLICY?

ARE THERE BEEN ANY CHANGES TO THE "NO KNOCK" LAW TO

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SUFFICIENTLY TO AVOID THE SITUATION THAT OCCURRED WITH MS. JOHNSTON?

WHAT OTHER STEPS COULD BE TAKEN TO AVOID THAT TYPE OF TRAGEDY?

LET'S TURN OUR ATTENTION TO THE USE OF CIVILIAN REVIEW BOARDS AND SPECIAL GRAND JURIES.

LAST APRIL, YOUR OFFICE
PLANNED TO CONVENE A SPECIAL
PURPOSE GRAND JURY TO
INVESTIGATE 31 CASES OF POLICE
SHOOTINGS, INCLUDING 15
FATALITIES. TWELVE OF THOSE
CASES ARE THE ONES THAT WERE
IN THE NEWS OVER THAT LAST
FEW YEARS.

WHAT IS A SPECIAL PURPOSE GRAND JURY?

HOW IS IT DIFFERENT FROM A REGULAR GRAND JURY? WHO WILL SERVE ON THE SPECIAL PURPOSE GRAND JURY?

WHAT POWERS DOES IT HAVE? HOW LONG WILL THE GRAND JURY SERVE?

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JACQUELINE'S INTRO FOR BREAK #1:

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BREAK, BUT YOU WON'T WANT
TO MISS ANY OF THIS
INFORMATIVE DISCUSSION
ABOUT SEARCH AND SEIZURE SO
STAY TUNED.

■ BREAK #1 --

WELCOME BACK. I'M JACQUELINE BUNN, AND IF YOU JUST TUNED IN, THIS IS LEGALLY SPEAKING BROUGHT TO YOU BY THE GEORGIA ASSOCIATION OF BLACK WOMENT ATTORNEYS AND CLARK ATLANTA UNIVERSITY. WE ARE DISCUSSING CITIZENS RIGHTS IN CONNECTION WITH POLICE SEARCHES WITH OUR GUEST THE HONORABLE GWEN KEYES FLEMING, THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY OF DEKALB COUNTY

LET'S CONTINUE WHERE WE LEFT OFF. I HAD JUST ASKED....

WHAT HAPPENS IF MORE TIME IS NEEDED TO COMPLETE THE INVESTIGATION?

WHAT WILL HAPPEN AFTER THE EVIDENCE IS REVIEWED?

WILL THE FAMILIES THAT HAVE BEEN AFFECTED BY THE POLICE SHOOTINGS HAVE ANY

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INVOLVEMENT WITH THE SPECIAL PURPOSE GRAND JURY?

THE ATLANTA CITY COUNCIL
RECENTLY CALLED FOR THE
ESTABLISHMENT OF A CIVILIAN
REVIEW BOARD TO INVESTIGATE
POLICE SHOOTINGS.

ARE THERE ADVANTAGES TO HAVING A CIVILIAN REVIEW BOARD RATHER THAN THE SPECIAL PURPOSE GRAND JURY?

WHAT ARE THE MAIN
DIFFERENCES BETWEEN THE TWO
PROCESSES?

IS THERE SOME ROLE THAT A CIVILIAN REVIEW BOARD COULD PLAY EVEN WITH THE SPECIAL PURPOSE GRAND JURY IN PLACE?

BEFORE WE END THIS
DISCUSSION, LET'S TALK A
LITTLE ABOUT SOME WAYS
CITIZENS CAN HELP TO
MINIMIZE SITUATIONS FROM
ESCALATING.

WHAT ARE SOME THE REASONS A PERSON CAN BE STOPPED BY THE POLICE?

IF A PERSON IS STOPPED BY THE POLICE, WHAT RIGHTS DO THEY HAVE?

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WHAT IS THE BEST WAY TO EXERCISE THOSE RIGHTS?

IF YOU THINK YOU ARE BEING HARASSED BY THE POLICE, WHAT IS THE BEST WAY TO HANDLE THAT SITUATION?

WHAT ARE SOME WAYS TO AVOID A CONFRONTATION WITH THE POLICE?

WHAT ARE SOME WAYS OF IMPROVING THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE COMMUNITY AND THE POLICE?

ARE THERE ANY PROGRAMS IN PLACE IN DEKALB COUNTY TO FOSTER BETTER RELATIONSHIPS?

CONCLUSION:

D.A. KEYES-FLEMING ON BEHALF
OF THE GEORGIA ASSOCIATION
OF BLACK WOMEN ATTORNEY'S
AND CLARK ATLANTA UNIVERSITY,
I WANT TO THANK YOU FOR
SHARING THIS IMPORTANT
INFORMATION. I ALSO WANT TO
THANK DEBORAH A. JACKSON FOR
PRODUCING THIS MOST
INFORMATIVE SEGEMENT. TO
OUR VIEWERS, WE HOPE YOU
JOIN US AGAIN FOR THE NEXT
SEGMENT OF LEGALLY SPEAKING.

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<u>Legally Speaking</u>
Domestic Violence Segment

HELLO, I'M JACQUELINE BUNN AND WELCOME TO LEGALLY SPEAKING. THIS PROGRAM IS BEING BROUGHT TO YOU BY THE GEORGIA ASSOCIATION OF BLACK WOMEN ATTORNEYS AND CLARK ATLANTA UNIVERSITY, TODAY WE ARE GOING TO REVISIT A TOPIC WE EXPLORED LAST YEAR -DOMESTIC VIOLENCE. OCTOBER IS DOMESTIC VIOLENCE MONTH. GABWA'S FOCUS, IN PART, RELATES TO EMPOWERING WOMEN AND CHILDREN. KNOWLEDGE IS POWER, AND OUR HOPE IS THE INFORMATION FROM THIS SEGMENT WILL BETTER ENABLE YOU TO MAKE GOOD CHOICES FOR YOURSELF AND YOUR FAMILY, LAST YEAR'S SEGMENTS FOCUSED ON DOMESTIC VIOLENCE MOSTLY FROM THE VICTIM'S PERSPECTIVE. THIS YEAR WE WANT TO FOCUS ON IT FROM THE PERSPECTIVE OF LAW ENFORCEMENT AND THE COURTS

OUR GUESTS TODAY ARE
THE HONORABLE GAIL TUSAN,
FULTON COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT
JUDGE, FAMILY LAW DIVISION
AND DETECTIVE MARNE MERCER, A
DOMESTIC VIOLENCE DETECTIVE

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FOR THE DEKALB COUNTY POLICE DEPARTMENT WELCOME

JUDGE TUSAN, CAN YOU TELL THE AUDIENCE WHY THIS AREA IS ESPECIALLY IMPORTANT TO YOU? WHAT ABOUT YOU DETECTIVE MERCER?

I WANT TO TALK ABOUT HOW DOMESTIC VIOLENCE CASES ARE INVESTIGATED FROM A LAW ENFORCEMENT PERSPECTIVE, BUT FIRST LET'S STEP BACK, WHAT IS A DOMESTIC VIOLENCE CASE? HOW WOULD A DOMESTIC VIOLENCE INVESTIGATION INITIATED BY THE POLICE?

WHAT DO OFFICERS TYPICALLY
FIND WHEN THEY RESPOND TO
THE SCENE OF DOMESTIC CALL?
WHAT ARE MISDEMEANOR
DOMESTIC VIOLENCE CRIMES?
WHAT ARE FELONY DOMESTIC
VIOLENCE CRIMES?
WHAT ARE SOME HINDRANCES IN
INVESTIGATING AND
PROSECUTING A DOMESTIC
VIOLENCE CASE?

COURT PROCEEDING- JUDGE GAIL TUSCAN DO YOU BELIEVE THE NUMBER OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE CASES IS INCREASING? WHY?

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WHAT IS THE TYPICAL AGE OF
THE DEFENDANT IN A DOMESTIC
VIOLENCE CASE? ARE YOU SEEING
MORE AND MORE YOUNGER
DEFENDANTS IN YOUR
COURTROOM?
WHAT IS A BOND ORDER? WHY IS
THIS BOND ORDER IMPORTANT?
WHAT IS STALKING? WHAT IS
AGGRAVATED STALKING?
PLEASE EXPLAIN THE HEARING
PROCEDURES AND PROCESS FOR A
VICTIM WHO NEEDS A
TEMPORARY PROTECTIVE ORDER
("TPO")?

JACQUELINE'S INTRO FOR BREAK #1:

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BREAK, BUT YOU WON'T WANT
TO MISS ANY OF THIS
INFORMATIVE DISCUSSION
ABOUT DOMESTIC VIOLENCE SO
STAY TUNED.

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ATLANTA UNIVERSITY. WE ARE
DISCUSSING DOMESTIC
VIOLENCE WITH OUR GUESTS
THE HONORABLE GAIL TUSAN AND
DETECTIVE MARNE MERCER

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LET'S CONTINUE WHERE WE LEFT OFF. I HAD JUST ASKED.... WHAT INFORMATION IS NEEDED FROM A VICTIM WHO WANTS TO TAKE OUT A TPO? PLEASE EXPLAIN WHAT HAPPENS WHEN A BOND ORDER OR TPO IS VIOLATED? WHAT EVIDENCE IS NEEDED FROM VICTIMS TO REVOKE A DEFENDANT'S BOND? WHEN THE CASE REACHES COURT. ARE THE DOMESTIC VIOLENCE VICTIMS NORMALLY COOPERATIVE? ARE VICTIM'S ALLOWED TO MAKE STATEMENTS IN COURT? WHEN? ARE VICTIM'S ALLOWED TO COME TO COURT AND DROP CHARGES? ARE THEIR ANY RESOURCES AVAILABLE THROUGH THE COURT SYSTEM TO VICTIMS OF CRIME?

WHAT SHOULD SOMEONE WHO IS
RAISING A CLAIM FOR DOMESTIC
VIOLENCE EXPECT WHEN THEY
COME TO COURT?
ARE THERE SOME PRESUMPTIONS
THAT THE ALLEGED ABUSER OR
VICTIM MUST OVERCOME?
WHAT ARE THE COURT'S
RESPONSES TO DV CLAIMS?
WHAT TYPE OF PROOF IS NEEDED
TO SUBSTANTIATE A CLAIM?

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WHAT IF THE ONLY TYPE OF
ABUSE IS VERBAL? HOW IS THAT
PROVEN?
JUDGE TUSAN, WHAT DO YOU
WANT THE PARTIES TO KNOW
WHEN THEY COME INTO YOUR
COURTROOM?
ARE THERE CIVIL REMEDIES
AVAILABLE FOR VICTIM OF
CRIMES? WHAT ARE THEY?

WHAT IS THE "MEN'S STOPPING VIOLENCE" PROGRAM AND ITS PURPOSE? WHAT IS THE CYCLE OF VIOLENCE? DO YOU BELIEVE THE NUMBER OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE CASES IS INCREASING? WHY? HOW ARE THE SESSIONS CONDUCTED? HOW SUCCESSFUL IS THIS PROGRAM? PLEASE EXPLAIN. WHAT IS THE TYPICAL AGE GROUP OF PARTICIPANTS? FROM CONDUCTING THE SESSIONS, WHAT ARE THE REOCCURRING CAUSES OR FACTORS WHICH CAUSE SOMEONE TO REACT VIOLENTLY?

HOW ARE PARTICIPANTS
INSTRUCTED TO HANDLE THEIR
ANGER?
DO YOU BELIEVE THAT AN ABUSER
CAN STOP ABUSING?

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HOW DOES ONE LEARN MORE ABOUT CLASSES? DO YOU HAVE TO BE COURT ORDERED TO ATTEND BEFORE ATTENDING?

WHAT CAN BE DONE TO DECREASE
THE NUMBER OF DOMESTIC
VIOLENCE INCIDENTS?
WHAT ARE THE SIGNS TO LOOK
FOR IN DETERMINING WHETHER
SOMEONE IS CAPABLE OF BEING
VIOLENT?
WHAT RESOURCES ARE AVAILABLE
FOR SOMEONE WHO MAY BE IN
AN ABUSIVE RELATIONSHIP?

CONCLUSION:

JUDGE TUSAN AND DETECTIVE MERCER ON BEHALF OF THE GEORGIA ASSOCIATION OF BLACK WOMEN ATTORNEY'S AND CLARK ATLANTA UNIVERSITY, I WANT TO THANK YOU FOR SHARING THIS IMPORTANT INFORMATION. I ALSO WANT TO THANK FOR ATTORNEY LEROYA JENNINGS FOR PRODUCING THIS MOST INFORMATIVE SEGMENT. TO OUR VIEWERS, WE HOPE YOU JOIN US AGAIN FOR THE NEXT SEGMENT OF LEGALLY SPEAKING.

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Legally Speaking Adoption Segment

HELLO, I'M JACQUELINE BUNN AND WELCOME TO LEGALLY SPEAKING. THIS PROGRAM IS BEING BROUGHT TO YOU BY THE GEORGIA ASSOCIATION OF BLACK WOMEN ATTORNEYS (ALSO CALLED "GABWA" AND CLARK ATLANTA UNIVERSITY. TODAY'S SEGMENT WILL DISCUSS SOME OF THE LEGAL ISSUES SURROUNDING ADOPTION IN THE STATE OF GEORGIA.

GABWA is a voluntary bar association that nurtures, supports and galvanizes the power of Black women attorneys. BECAUSE IT IS AN ORGANIZATION THAT SERVES AS AN advocate for women and children and THAT SEEKS TO empower our communities, WE THOUGHT IT FITTING EXPLORE SOME OF THE LEGAL IMPLICATIONS OF ADOPTION.

I AM DELIGHTED TO INTRODUCE OUR GUEST TODAY, FORMER GABWA PRESIDENT KARLISE GRIER.

MS. GRIER CAN YOU TELL THE AUDIENCE SOMETHING ABOUT YOUR LEGAL EXPERIENCE?

How long have you been practicing the law?

Are you a member of the American Academy of Adoption Attorneys? What is type of organization is the American Academy of Adoption Attorneys?

How did you get involved in adoptions?

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Let's start with the basics, what is an adoption?

Does this include the right of the child to inherit from the parent? Can anybody adopt?

Requirements: (1) at least 25 years old, (2) reside in Georgia, and (3) be at least 10 years older than the child.

What should be people be aware of before adopting?
Are there special considerations for prospective adoptive parents or prospective adoptive children who receive public assistance?

Can someone do an adoption on their own?
What are some of the steps involved in an adoption?
What are the different kinds of adoptions?

Types of adoptions:

- (1) Agency Adoption (i.e. DFCS, Catholic Social Services, etc.)
- (2) Independent Private
 Adoptions: Agreements are made
 between \2 families privately
- (3) Relative Adoption
- (4) Stepparent Adoption
- (5) Adoption of an Adult
- (6) If adopting a child born in another country, then there are domestication procedures that must occur in the United States

What are the most common types of adoptions?
Why would someone want to adopt an adult?

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In Georgia, is there such a thing as common law adoption or an adoption without the need of going to court?
What are some common problems that may occur with an adoption?
What if a parent wants to give up their child for adoption, how would they do it?
What if a parent wants to change their mind?
So, after the 10 days, can they change their mind?

What if the biological parents do not want to give up their parental rights, can the court still do an adoption?

Now, what if the family of the biological parent wants to continue to be involved in the child's life?

What if the biological parent wants to contact the child after an adoption?

What is an open adoption?

Is it a legal concept in Georgia?

What if the biological parent contacts the court where the adoption occurred to find out what happened?

What if the biological parent contacts the court prior to the adoption?
What if a child is minor (under the age of 18) and signs a surrender, is that document legally recognizable? Is it automatic that when a petition for adoption is filed, that the adoption will go through?
What does a court consider to determine the best interest of the child?

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What is the Georgia Adoption Reunion Registry? What do you want to make sure that people know about adoptions?

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BREAK, BUT YOU WON'T WANT
TO MISS ANY OF THIS
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ABOUT HISTORY OF GABWA SO
STAY TUNED.

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WOMEN ATTORNEYS AND CLARK
ATLANTA UNIVERSITY. WE ARE
DISCUSSING ADOPTION WITH
OUR GUEST KARLISE GRIER

LET'S CONTINUE WHERE WE LEFT OFF. I HAD JUST ASKED....

What if the biological parents do not want to give up their parental rights, can the court still do an adoption?
What if the family of the biological parent wants to continue to be involved in the child's life?
What if the biological parent wants to contact the child after an adoption?
What is an open adoption?
Is it a legal concept in Georgia?

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What if the biological parent contacts the court where the adoption occurred to find out what happened?

What if the biological parent contacts the court prior to the adoption?

What if a child is minor (under the age of 18) and signs a surrender, is that document legally recognizable? Is it automatic that when a petition for adoption is filed, that the adoption will go through?

What does a court consider to

What does a court consider to determine the best interest of the child?

What is the Georgia Adoption Reunion Registry? What do you want to make sure that people know about adoptions?

CONCLUSION:

Ms. Grier, thank you for participating in our program. To our viewers, I would like to remind you that this program does not attempt to provide legal advice. This has been general information designed to inform you about issues that may arise with an adoption. To determine the issues in your case, you must meet with an attorney to discuss the specific facts of your case.

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<u>Legally Speaking</u> Alternative Life Paths

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POWER OF BLACK WOMEN
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ORGANIZATION SERVES AS AN
ADVOCATE FOR WOMEN AND
CHILDREN AND SEEKS TO EMPOWER
OUR COMMUNITY, IT FITTING TO
SPOTLIGHT A NONPROFIT
ORGANIZATION THAT IS HAVING A
POSTIVE IMPACT IN OUR
COMMUNITY.

I AM DELIGHTED TO INTRODUCE OUR GUEST TODAY, MY GABWA SISTER CAMELLIA A. MOORE. MS. MOORE HAS A MASTERS DEGREE IN EDUCATION AND A LAW DEGREE, AND SHE HAS WORKED WITH ALTERNATE LIFE PATHS PROGRAMS FROM MANY YEARS. MS. MOORE CAN YOU TELL THE AUDIENCE SOMETHING ABOUT YOUR BACKGROUND?

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WHEN DID YOU START WITH THE PROGRAM? HOW DID YOU GET INVOLVED IN THE PROGRAM? TELL THE AUDIENCE WHAT THE ALTERNATE LIFE PATHS PROGRAM DOES?

WHAT ARE THE 3 COMPONENTS?

WHAT DOES IT TAKE TO QUALIFY FOR EMERGENCY HOURSING? (EMERGENCY HOUSING FOR GIRLS BETWEEN 17 AND 21 (HOMELESS)

HOW DO YOU QUALIFY FOR TRANSITIONAL HOUSING? (FOR HOMELESS GIRLS BETWEEN 17 AND 21 (WITH OR WITHOUT CHILDREN)

WHAT IS THE "HIGHER GROUNDS PROGRAM" AND WHAT DOES IT INCLUDE? (GED PREPARATION AND PRE-EMPLOYMENT COUNSELING). THE PRE-EMPLOYMENT COUNSELING IS FOR YOUTH BETWEEN THE AGES OF 16 TO 21, MALE AND FEMALE.

HAS THE CURRENT ECONOMIC
CLIMATE HAD AN IMPACT ON THE
PROGRAM? HOW? BASED UPON
YOUR EXPERIENCE WITH THE
PROGRAM, WHY DO THE CHILDREN
BECOME HOMELESS? IS THE
DEPARTMENT OF FAMILY AND
CHILDREN'S SERVICES INVOLVED WITH
MANY OF THESE CHILDREN?
IS YOUR PROGRAM AT CAPACITY AT
THIS POINT?

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LET'S CONTINUE WHERE WE LEFT OFF. I HAD JUST ASKED.....

HOW MANY INDIVIDUALS ARE HOUSED IN YOUR FACILITIES? HOW MANY APARTMENT BUILDINGS DO YOU HAVE? ARE THEY CO-ED? IF SOMEONE WERE INTERESTED IN STARTING A NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATION THAT SERVES A SIMILAR PURPOSE, WHAT WOULD YOU TELL THEM?

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WHEN YOU STARTED THE PROGRAM,
HOW DID YOU BEGIN TO EXPAND THE
PROGRAM? HOW DID YOU
DETERMINE THAT YOU WERE READY TO
PURCHASE A BUILDING? DID YOU
START WITH AN EXISTING PROGRAM?
HOW DID YOU IDENTIFY THE NEED?
WHAT HAS BEEN THE BEST PART OF
YOUR EXPERIENCE? WHAT HAS BEEN
THE WORST? WHAT WOULD YOU WANT
PEOPLE TO KNOW ABOUT THE
PROGRAM? HOW CAN THE
COMMUNITY SUPPORT?

MS. MOORE, I WANTED TO MAKE SURE THAT OUR VIEWERS KNOW THAT THE ALTERNATE LIFE PATHS PROGRAM RECEIVED THE GABWA COMMUNITY AWARD.

CONCLUSION:

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I AM DELIGHTED TO INTRODUCE SOMEONE WHO CAN PROVIDE SOME INSIGHTS IN THIS AREA. OUR GUEST, ATTORNEY NORA POLK, SPECIALIZES IN FAMILY LAW. MS. POLK CAN YOU TELL THE AUDIENCE SOMETHING ABOUT YOUR BACKGROUND?

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What does custody mean, what are the types of custody?

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- 1) legal custody,
- 2) physical custody What is "joint custody"?

How does custody work for <u>Parents</u> who are still married to Each Other? In order to get custody decided when parties are still married, a parent can file a

- (1) Divorce (EXPLAIN),
- (2) Complaint for Separate Maintenance, (EXPLAIN) or
- (3) Temporary Protective Order (EXPLAIN), if there is violence.

Who has custody if the <u>Parents Have</u>
<u>Never Been Married to Each Other?</u>
MOTHER – WHAT ABOUT SUPPORT
PAYMENT? WHAT DOES
LEGITIMATION MEAN? WHAT
HAPPENED July 2005, a father may
file for legitimation and
custody/visitation at the same time.

- (2) As of July 2005, a father may also legitimate a child by signing a DHR Paternity and Legitimation form.
- (3) A father who has already legitimated the child but does not have a custody order can file a Petition for Custody / Visitation.

How does custody work for <u>Parents</u>
<u>Who are Divorced</u>?

Divorce decree determines? Legal custody, physical custody, and a visitation schedule? If a parent or other party wants to change custody after a divorce, they will

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need to file a <u>modification of</u> <u>custody</u> case in court.

Can you have custody if you are not the parent? What if you are a grandparent? What are ways for relatives or other non-parents to get Custody:

What is a <u>Petition for Temporary</u> <u>Guardianship</u> –

- (a) So parents have the right to revoke a guardianship.
- (b) If a parent files a revocation, and the guardian object?
- (2) Power of Attorney
- (3) Petition for Custody A third party can file a petition for custody in the county where the custodial parent lives.
- (4) Adoption

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DISCUSSING CHILD CUSTODY WITH OUR GUEST MS. POLK

What should a parent do if the other parent is violating the custody order by not returning the child, etc.

What is a Motion for Contempt Law Enforcement

- a. Can you call the police for help enforcing an order?
- b. Will the presence of a police officer help?
- (1) Provide for the safety of the parties and child
- (2) Provide a witness to any actions which may be important in court case

If the police cannot provide immediate help, can parents apply for <u>Criminal Warrants</u>?

Interference with custody – If someone is refusing to return child, in violation of a court order, can the custodial parent file an interference with custody warrant.

(1) <u>Kidnapping</u> – If a child is taken by someone who is not authorized to have the child is this grounds for a kidnapping charge.

What if you need to change your custody order? File a modification-a court action to change the terms of an order to get a modification, you must show a change in circumstances.

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What should you do if DFCS/CPS takes your child? What does DFCS stand for? CPS? What is the role of a caseworker? What is a 72 hour hearing? What is a case plan for reunification? What is a motion for return of custody?

CONCLUSION:

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Let's start really basic, what is child support? Who is required to pay?

- 1) Does legal custody impact it?
- 2) Does physical custody impact it?

How can a person get a child support order started? What does OCSS stand for?

-File with the OCSS? What is OCSS?
-File an abandonment warrant?
-Get a lawyer and file a private action for paternity/child support, divorce, separate maintenance, protective order?
legitimation/custody?

When the Parents who are still married but planning to get divorced, who has to pay? In order to get child support decided while the parties are still married, what should a parent do?

When the Parents Have Never Been Married to Each Other, does the non-custodial parent have to pay? HOW ARE THE SUPPORT PAYMENTS DETERMINED? DOES LEGITIMATION HAVE TO OCCUR BEFORE SUPPORT IS REQUIRED BY LAW? DOES SUPPORT IMPACT VISITATION RIGHTS?

How does child support work for Parents Who are Divorced?
Divorce decree determines? If a parent wants to change child support after a divorce is finalized, what do they do?
Do both parents have an obligation to support their child?

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What is "child abandonment"? What if the child is living with another relative/grandparent do the parents still have an obligation to support?

How is child support calculated? How has the law changed? What are other factors that can affect child support?

What should a person do if the other parent is not paying the child support as ordered? Motion for contempt on your own or through OCSS?

If you already have a child support order how do you get it increased? How do you get your child support reduced? What kind of paperwork do you need to have for a child support case?

What if you are the paying parent and you are behind on your child support? Can you contact the other parent or OCSS to work out a payment plan for the arrears? Can you file for a modification of your order? What circumstances might make modification appropriate?

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What if you need child support and the other parent is out of state or you can't locate them? What is the OCSS parent locator system? What other methods can you use to locate an out of state parent?

Can you withhold visitation if the other parent is not paying his or her child support? Can you withhold visitation if the other parent is paying child support?

If a grandparent required to pay support? Can a grandparent who has custody seek support from the parent(s)?

CONCLUSION:

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WE ARE HONORED TO HAVE DR. CLAYBORNE CARSON, THE DIRECTOR OF THE KING PAPERS PROJECT AS OUR GUEST. HE WILL BE GIVING US SOME ADDED INSIGHT INTO THE IMPORTANCE OF THESE HISTORICAL DOCUMENTS NOT JUST LOCALLY BUT GLOBALLY. DR. CARSON, WELCOME. CAN YOU TELL THE AUDIENCE A LITTLE BIT ABOUT YOUR BACKGROUND?

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HOW DID YOU BECOME
INVOLVED WITH THIS PROJECT?
WHAT EXACTLY DO THE PAPERS
ENCOMPASS? HOW MANY ITEMS?
WHAT KINDS? WHAT IS THE
TIME SPAN? HOW LONG HAVE
THEY BEEN HOUSED AT
MOREHOUSE? WERE YOU
INVOLVED IN ORGANZING THE
COLLECTION? IN WHAT WAY?
WHERE WERE THE PAPERS
FOUND? WHERE WERE THEY
STORED BEFORE COMING TO
CAU?

ARE THERE ANY ITEMS THAT
RESONATE WITH YOU IN
PARTICULAR? IF SO, WHICH
ONES? HOW EXTENSIVELY HAVE
YOU REVIEWED THE PAPERS?
DID YOU DISCOVER ANYTHING
NEW OR SURPRISING? WHAT
INSIGHT DID YOU GAIN INTO
THE STRATEGIC PLANNING
BEHIND THE CIVIL RIGHTS
MOVEMENT?

WHERE DID DR. KING RECEIVE
HIS EDUCATION? HOW DO YOU
FEEL THIS EDUCATION
BACKGROUND PREPARED HIM FOR
HIS POSITION AS A LEADER IN
THE MOVEMENT? DID IT MAKE
A DIFFERENCE THAT HE WAS
HIGHLY EDUCATED?

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WHAT STOOD OUT FOR ME WAS HIS COLLECTION OF QUOTES. HE SEEMED TERRIBLY ORGANIZED. WHAT IS THE HISTORICAL IMPORTANCE OF THE PAPERS? HAVE YOU GAINED ANY INSIGHTS ABOUT THE DREAM? ARE YOU ABLE TO TRACE HIS EVOLUTION AS A LEADER? WHO HAD THE GREATEST IMPACT ON HIS THINKING? WHAT LED HIM TO NON-VIOLENCE? IS THERE SOME UNIFYING THEME THAT CAN BE TRACED THROUGHOUT THE PAPERS? CAN YOU GET A SENSE OF WHO HE STUDIED? HOW ARE THE PAPERS ORGANIZED?

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LET'S CONTINUE WHERE WE LEFT OFF. I HAD JUST ASKED....

ISN'T THERE A PRETTY
INTERESTING STORY ABOUT
HOW THE PAPERS CAME TO BE
HOUSED AT THE WOODRUFF
LIBRARY? WHO WERE THE
PEOPLE INSTRUMENTAL IN
MAKING IT HAPPEN? WERE YOU
DIRECTLY INVOLVED IN THE
PROCESS? DO YOU FEEL THERE
IS ANY SPECIAL SIGNIFICANCE
IN KEEPING THE KING PAPERS IN
ATLANTA? WHAT ABOUT
MAKING THE PAPERS AVAILABLE
TO THE GENERAL PUBLIC?

On February 15, 2007, Mayor Shirley Franklin announced the creation of a partnership between the Atlanta Development Authority and Central Atlanta Progress to develop a Center for Civil and Human Rights Museum here in Atlanta. completed, the museum will serve as the new exhibition site for the King Do you think the new Papers. museum will provide a unique contribution to Atlanta's existing civil and human rights facilities such as the Apex Museum, Auburn Avenue Research Library, Carter Center and King Center?

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Since the historic election of President Barack Obama, it has been widely-noted that Dr. King's work paved the way for President Obama's election. Do you agree? HOW DO YOU SEE THE PAPERS RELEVANCE IN CONNECTION WITH DO DR. KING'S CURRENT TIMES? TEACHINGS TRANSCEND HIS ERA? NONVIOLENCE? UNITY? CAN YOU DRAW ANY SIMILARITIES BETWEEN THE FIGHT FOR EQUALITY AND THE WAY PRESIDENT OBAMA CONDUCTED HIS RACE? WHAT WOULD YOU SAY WAS DR. KING'S DEFINING MOMENT? HOW IS WHAT'S OFFERED IN THE PAPERS DIFFERENT FROM WHAT CAN BE FOUND AT THE KING CENTER? HOW DO YOU ACCESS THE PAPERS?

CONCLUSION:

DR. CARSON ON BEHALF OF THE GEORGIA ASSOCIATION OF BLACK WOMEN ATTORNEY'S AND CLARK ATLANTA UNIVERSITY, I WANT TO THANK YOU FOR SHARING THIS HISTORY. I ALSO WANT TO THANK THE PRODUCERS OF THIS SEGMENT Heather Morris, Takiyah Taylor, and Janet Scott and well as our hospitality coordinator Laronica Lightfoot. TO OUR VIEWERS, THANK YOU FOR WATCHING, AND WE HOPE YOU WILL JOIN US AGAIN FOR THE NEXT SEGMENT OF LEGALLY SPEAKING.