Fair Housing Summit 2024 Maine Human Rights Commission Continuing Legal Education Agenda

May 1, 2024

Augusta Civic Center, Augusta, Maine

8:00 am - 8:30 am REGISTRATION

8:30 am - 8:55 am Welcome and Opening Remarks (jointly with all attendees)

Kit Thomson Crossman, Executive Director, MHRC

Lucy Allen, Program Analyst, US Department of Housing and Urban Development, Office of Fair Housing and Equal Opportunity

9:00 am – 10:30 am Housing Discrimination under the MHRA (jointly with all attendees)

Kit Thomson Crossman, Executive Director, MHRC Barbara Archer Hirsch, Commission Counsel, MHRC Jane O'Reilly, Lead Investigator, MHRC

10:35 am - 11:35 am BEST PRACTICES FOR LAWYERS REGARDING HARASSMENT & DISCRIMINATION

Barbara Archer Hirsch, Commission Counsel, MHRC Colin Hurd, Deputy Commission Counsel, MHRC

11:40 am - 12:30 pm LUNCH (jointly with all attendees)

KEYNOTE ADDRESS BY BRYAN GREENE, VICE PRESIDENT, POLICY ADVOCACY, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF

REALTORS

12:35 pm - 2:30 pm BEYOND FIRST IMPRESSIONS: UNDERSTANDING IMPLICIT AND EXPLICIT BIAS (jointly with all attendees)

Mandy Levine, Attorney & Professional Investigator, Mandy Levine Consulting, LLC

2:30 pm - 2:45 pm BREAK

2:45 pm - 4:00 pm BEST PRACTICES FOR HOUSING ATTORNEYS AT THE MHRC

Aubrey Russell, Attorney, Law Office of Aubrey Russell, LLC Alice Neal, Fair Housing Enforcement Attorney, Pine Tree Legal Assistance Jane O'Reilly, Lead Investigator, MHRC Kit Thomson Crossman, Executive Director, MHRC (moderator)

4:10 pm - 4:30 PM WRAP UP