

# FROM REFLECTION TO ACTION: ADVANCING FAIR HOUSING FOR ALL

2025 VIRTUAL FAIR HOUSING CONFERENCE



### **Date & Time**

Wed, April 23, 2025 9:30 am - 1:30 pm PDT



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### **About the Conference:**

The conference will focus on strategies to advance housing equity, revitalize fair housing efforts, and address systemic barriers. Topics include the impact of single-family and exclusionary zoning on racial segregation; recent legal decisions and their constitutional implications; the role of the state in addressing challenges to civil rights and fair housing; the efforts to implement AFFH rules under state law; the intersection of fair housing laws and consumer protections to combat discrimination and unfair deceptive practices; and legal and other tools to challenge discriminatory policies.

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## **Conference Agenda**

### Welcome:

- Caroline Peattie, Executive Director
  Fair Housing Advocates of Northern California
- Conference Moderator: Chantel LaRene Walker
  Managing Partner, CWISER Ventures & San Anselmo Town Council Member

Opening Remarks: California's Role in Protecting Civil Rights and Fair Housing

• Rob Bonta, Attorney General - State of California

Session 1: Impact of Single-Family and Exclusionary Zoning on Racial Segregation

• Stephen Menendian, Assistant Director - Othering & Belonging Institute

Session 2: Recent Legal Decisions and their Constitutional Implications

• Erwin Chemerinsky, Dean - Berkeley School of Law, University of California

Session 3 Panel: The Intersection of Civil Rights & Consumer Protection Law

### Panelists:

- Ashley Harrington, Senior Director of Policy and Advocacy Project on Predatory Student Lending
- Tara Mikkilineni, Senior Fellow Consumer Federation of America
- Ellora Israni, Attorney at Law Relman Colfax PLLC
- Yiyang Wu, Attorney at Law & Partner Relman Colfax PLLC (Panel moderator)

<u>Session 4:</u> California's Efforts to Implement Affirmatively Furthering Fair Housing (AFFH) Under State Law

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