# Fair Housing Advocates of Northern California

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# Understanding Housing Segregation: Tools to Advance Access and Opportunity

April 1, 2019 9:30 am to 1:30 pm

Marin Center Showcase Theater 10 Avenue of the Flags, San Rafael

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### Presenters' Biographies



#### **Keynote Speaker: Stephen Menendian**

Stephen Menendian is the Assistant Director and Director of Research at the Haas Institute for a Fair and Inclusive Society, and oversees the Institute's research initiatives and ongoing projects. In particular, Mr. Menendian leads the Inclusiveness Index initiative, fair housing policy and opportunity mapping project with the Equity Metrics team. His research focuses on the mechanisms of inter-group inequality, "othering," structural racism, and the design of effective equity interventions as permitted by law. Mr. Menendian's recent scholarly publications include: "Racial Segregation in the San Francisco Bay Area," a web report for the Haas Institute, "Affirmatively Furthering Fair Housing: A Reckoning with Government-Sponsored Segregation in the 21st Century" for the National Civic Review, and "Opportunity Communities: Overcoming the Debate over Mobility Versus place-based Strategies" in The Fight for Fair Housing. In 2018, Stephen chaired "Race & Inequality in America: The Kerner Commission at 50" conference. In addition, he has trained policymakers, businesses and other institutions on diversity, inclusion, and affirmative action practices, policies, and compliance, including creative ways to improve diversity within bounds of law, and has regularly taught or guest-lectured courses on these issues.



#### **Keynote Speaker: Lisa Rice**

Lisa Rice is the President and CEO of the National Fair Housing Alliance (NFHA), the nation's only national civil rights agency solely dedicated to eliminating all forms of housing discrimination. NFHA is also the trade association for over 200 member organizations across the country that work to eliminate barriers in the housing markets, and expand equal housing and lending opportunities. NFHA provides a range of programs to affirmatively further fair housing including community development, neighborhood stabilization, training, education, outreach, advocacy, consulting and enforcement initiatives. Ms. Rice has served on the state of Ohio's Housing Trust Fund Advisory Board, State Farm Bank Consumer Advisory Council, and Federal Reserve Board's Consumer Advisory Council. She is a current member of the JPMorgan Chase Consumer Advisory Council, Mortgage Bankers Association's Consumer Advisory Council, Freddie Mac Affordable Housing Advisory Council, Urban Institute's Mortgage Servicing Collaborative, and America's Homeowner Alliance Advisory Board.



#### **Panelist: Anne Price**

Anne E. Price is the first woman President of the Insight Center for Community Economic Development. She previously served as Director of Closing the Racial Wealth Gap Initiative at Insight from 2011 to 2016. Anne is an experienced researcher, advocate and trainer. She has spent 25 years in the public sector working on a wide range of issues including child welfare, hunger, welfare reform, workforce development, community development and higher education. Prior to joining the Insight Center, Anne served as Project Director for California Tomorrow's Community College Access and Equity Initiative. Anne also spent several years at Seattle's Human Services Department where she served as the Community Development Block Grant Administrator and Strategic Advisor to the Director. Anne holds a B.A. in Economics from Hampton University and earned her M.A. in Management and Policy Analysis from the New School's Milano Graduate School of Management and Urban Policy in New York City.



#### **Panelist: Chris Elmendorf**

Professor Elmendorf teaches election law, property and land-use law, statutory interpretation, and administrative law at the University of California, Davis, School of Law. His new paper on state frameworks for regulating local barriers to housing supply, "Beyond the Double Veto: Land Use Plans as Preemptive Intergovernmental Compacts," is forthcoming in the Hastings Law Journal. Elmendorf has published widely in top law and political science journals, and has received research funding from the National Science Foundation and the MIT Election Science & Data Lab.



#### Panelist: EJ Toppin

EJ Toppin is a staff researcher at the Haas Institute for a Fair and Inclusive Society (HIFIS), contributing to housing research conducted by the California Community Partnerships research team, the Civic Engagement research team, and a number of other initiatives. EJ has worked on housing affordability and fairness, including research and policy design for anti-displacement and gentrification efforts in the Bay Area. EJ holds a master's degree in public policy from the University of California Berkeley's Goldman School of Public Policy. Prior to returning to school for graduate studies, EJ worked as a legislative aide on environment, agriculture, transportation, and energy issues in the United States Senate. EJ is originally from Hartford, Connecticut and is a graduate of Williams College in Williamstown, Massachusetts where he earned his Bachelor of Arts in Political Science in 2010.

### **Conference Program**

9:00-9:30 — Registration & Networking (Coffee and pastries catered by Homeward Bound)

#### 9:30-9:45 — Welcome and Conference Introduction

- \* Caroline Peattie, Executive Director, Fair Housing Advocates of Northern California
- \* **Judy Arnold**, Marin County Supervisor

## 9:45-11:00 — Keynote address: "Racial Residential Segregation in the Bay Area: Fresh Perspectives and Novel Methods"

\* **Stephen Menendian**, Assistant Director and Director of Research, Haas Institute for a Fair and Inclusive Society, University of California, Berkeley

#### 11:00-11:15 — Break (Snack)

### 11:15-12:30 — Keynote address: "Weaponized Data: How Information & Technology Restrict Access and Harm Communities"

\* Lisa Rice, President and Chief Executive Officer, National Fair Housing Alliance

#### 12:30-1:30 — Panel Discussion: "The Racial Wealth Gap - A Discussion on Remedies/ Reparations"

- \* Anne Price, President, Insight Center for Community Economic Development
- \* Chris Elmendorf, Professor, University of California, Davis, School of Law
- \* EJ Toppin, Staff Researcher, Haas Institute for a Fair and Inclusive Society
- \* Moderator: Lisa Rice

### Fair Housing Advocates of Northern California (FHANC)

#### **FHANC Mission**

To ensure equal housing opportunity and to educate the community on the value of diversity in our neighborhoods

#### **FHANC's Programs and Services**

Intake, counseling and investigation of housing discrimination complaints; assistance with reasonable accommodation requests for people with disabilities; foreclosure prevention counseling and pre-purchase education; fair housing education for tenants, housing providers; school education programs to promote civil rights and diversity; advocacy for affordable housing; and systemic investigations of housing discrimination



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