



An Honest Conversation: Challenges and Opportunities Facing In-House Women Lawyers of Colour

A candid and insightful discussion with five inspiring women on the opportunities and challenges facing in-house women lawyers of colour today. Drawing on her 30-year career as a General Counsel and role as Former Chair of the ABA's Commission on Women in the Legal Profession, Michele Mayes will kick-off the discussion with her insights on the need for new solutions and tools to interrupt bias and drive meaningful change across the legal profession. Our discussion will continue with our panel who will share their own journeys and perspectives on how we can move the needle through institutional change.

Agenda

3 – 3:30 p.m.	Registration
3:30 – 3:40 p.m.	Opening Remarks
3:40 – 4 p.m.	Driving Meaningful Change Across the Legal Profession
Speaker	Michele Coleman Mayes, Vice President, General Counsel & Secretary, The New York Public Library; Former Chair, ABA's Commission on Women in the Legal Profession
4 – 5 p.m.	Panel Discussion
Moderator	Rahat Godil, Partner, Blake, Cassels & Graydon LLP
Panellists	Cecile Chung , General Counsel & Corporate Secretary, Samuel Group of Companies
	Michele Coleman Mayes, Vice President, General Counsel & Secretary, The New York Public Library; Former Chair, ABA's Commission on Women in the Legal Profession
	Kikelomo Lawal, Chief Legal Officer & Corporate Secretary, Interactions.
	Sarah Qadeer, General Counsel, The Home Depot, Canada
5 - 5:25 p.m.	Q & A
5:25 – 5:30 p.m.	Closing Remarks
5:30 – 7 p.m.	Cocktail Reception