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### SUPPORT, RESOURCES, AND ADVOCACY FOR UNDERSERVED GROUPS



Since its inception, the Racial & Economic Justice Practice Group of McCune Wright Arevalo, LLP, (MWA) has offered more than litigation advocacy. Our team also sees the immense value in identifying unmet needs in the communities we serve and providing services and resources to help meet those needs. Whether our local underserved communities simply need chances to learn or direct connections to resources that can immediately assist them, the Racial & Economic Justice Practice aims to provide support to consumers, to POC, and to lower income residents across the country.

Our Practice provides education opportunities and resources for:

- POCs
- Impoverished or low-income residents
- Families
- People with disabilities
- Unhoused individuals
- Un- or underinsured individuals
- Un- or underemployed individuals
- Residents struggling with health concerns
- LGBTQIA+ community members

Our team is committed to improving services for underserved communities. If you are aware of a need in your community, contact the Racial & Economic Justice Practice Group for education or resource connection opportunities.



### Connecting Our Communities with CALIC



The Racial & Economic Justice Practice Group has implemented a regular educational event designed to

connect POC and low-income residents with necessary resources. The Community and Legal Issues Clinic (CALIC) features experts and nonprofit resources that can assist them in a wide variety of legal or community concerns, including housing, public health, estate planning, mental health, and more.

### Education on the Go with the JoeSpeak! Podcast



Lead Partner Joe Richardson of the Racial & Economic Justice Practice Group also hosts an educational podcast highlighting

the expertise of guest speakers who discuss topics ranging from eviction moratoriums to criminal expungements.



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Learn more about how the Racial & Economic Justice Practice Group is assisting local communities by scanning here!





#### The Racial & Economic Justice Community Outreach Team



#### Joseph L. Richardson Partner

Joseph Richardson leads the Racial & Economic Justice Practice Group at MWA. For years he has worked to improve community relations through honest conversations and commonality. Mr. Rich-

ardson has built his career on advocating for underserved groups through activism, political and legal action, and nonprofit community outreach. He is a regular media contributor (press and TV), providing perspective on trials with equity implications. He also hosts the Joespeak! Podcast in which he invites community leaders to discuss the issues of local, regional, and national impact.



#### Elaine S. Kusel Partner

Elaine Kusel leads the firm's New Jersey Office and Consumer Fraud and UDAP Class Action divisions. She passionately defends those who have been taken advantage of in the consumer marketplace and

has successfully litigated against some of the largest corporations in the country. Ms. Kusel also represented clients who have been victim of unfair overdraft fees and children who were enrolled in a clinical trial ran by Pfizer without their families' informed consent. She also helped to lead the effort to uncover the financial fraud of Volkswagen, leading to a significant settlement on behalf of the citizens of the State of Arizona in the emissions fraud scandal.

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