

Keynote Speakers

John Trasviña was nominated by President Obama to be Assistant Secretary for Fair Housing and Equal Opportunity on April 20, 2009, and confirmed unanimously by the U.S. Senate on May 1, 2009. The Office of Fair Housing and Equal Opportunity (FHEO) administers and enforces federal laws and establishes policies that make sure all Americans have equal access to the housing of their choice. Before joining the Obama Administration, Assistant Secretary Trasviña served as President and General Counsel of the Mexican American Legal Defense and Educational Fund (MALDEF). There he led the "law firm for the Latino community" by advancing litigation and public policy in the areas of civil rights, immigration, education and related issues.

Assistant Secretary Trasviña began his career at MALDEF in Washington, DC, as a legislative attorney in 1985. He later worked for U.S. Senator Paul Simon as General Counsel and Staff Director for the U.S. Senate Judiciary Subcommittee on the Constitution. In 1997, President Clinton appointed Mr. Trasviña as Special Counsel for Immigration Related Unfair Employment Practices. As Special Counsel until 2001, he led the only federal government office devoted solely to immigrant workplace rights and was the highest ranking Latino attorney at the U.S. Department of Justice.

After returning to California, Assistant Secretary Trasviña taught immigration law at Stanford Law School and was Director of the Discrimination Research Center in Berkeley.

Michael Allen, an partner with Relman & Dane, PLLC, a Washington, D.C. civil rights firm, specializes in housing and civil rights issues, and has more than 20 years experience in working with grassroots organizations to influence public policy. Prior to joining Relman & Dane in June 2006, he was senior staff attorney and director of the fair housing program at the Bazelon Center for Mental Health Law and co-director of the Building Better Communities Network.

From 1985-1995, Mr. Allen was a staff attorney and managing attorney at Legal Services of Northern Virginia, focusing on landlord-tenant and affordable housing cases. A nationally recognized expert on the disability provisions of the Fair Housing Act, Mr. Allen has litigated and lobbied at the federal and state levels and appeared in national print and electronic media.

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2010 Tennessee Fair Housing Matters Conference



April 7, 2010
9 a.m.- 4:45 p.m.

Nashville Airport Marriott
600 Marriott Drive
Nashville, Tennessee

Presented by:

- Tennessee Human Rights Commission
- Tennessee Fair Housing Council
- Tennessee Housing Development Agency
- City of Murfreesboro Community Development Department
- Greater Nashville Association of REALTORS
- Nashville Branch NAACP
- Metropolitan Development and Housing Agency
- Metropolitan Human Relations Commission
- Tennessee Council on Developmental Disabilities
- Tennessee Department of Economic and Community Development
- West Tennessee Legal Services

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CONFERENCE AGENDA

(subject to change)

Registration and Continental Breakfast	8 - 9 a.m.
Greetings/ Remarks Beverly Watts, Executive Director of the Tennessee Human Rights Commission Phil Ryan, Executive Director of the Metropolitan Development and Housing Agency	9 - 9:30 a.m.
Opening Keynote John Trasviña, HUD Assistant Secretary for Fair Housing and Equal Opportunity	9:30 - 10:15 a.m.
Break	10:15 - 10:30 a.m.
Plenary Session: Fair Housing Update Carol Gish, West Tennessee Legal Services; Tracey McCartney, Tennessee Fair Housing Council	10:30 - 11:45 a.m.
Break	11:45 - noon
Lunch and Announcements Governor's Fair Housing Act Proclamation presented by Ted Fellman, Executive Director, Tennessee Housing Development Agency	noon - 12:30 p.m.
Midday Keynote—Lessons from Westchester County Michael Allen, Relman and Dane	12:30 - 1:15 p.m.
Break and move to concurrent breakout sessions	1:15 - 1:30 p.m.
Housing Scams and the Role of Homebuyer Education Sapna Raj, Memphis Area Legal Services; Rosalind Robinson, Residential Resources	1:30 - 2:30 p.m.
Special Considerations in Public and Subsidized Housing Carol Gish, Tracey McCartney, Michael Allen	1:30 - 2:30 p.m.
Break	2:30 - 2:45 p.m.
Real Estate Agents' Vexing Fair Housing Issues Deanna Cooper, Esq., Farrar & Bates; Linda Dillon, Properties Unlimited	2:45 - 3:45 p.m.
Harassment, Intimidation and Coercion James Davis, Tennessee Human Rights Commission	2:45 - 3:45 p.m.
Break and move to general session	3:45 - 4 p.m.
Fair Housing JEOPARDY! (quiz for fabulous prizes) Special guest host	4 - 4:15 p.m.
Q&A Tracey McCartney, Carol Gish, Shalini Rose, James Davis	4:15-4:45 p.m.

REGISTRATION FORM

Registration Fees
Before Feb. 28, 2010: **\$65 (Attorneys \$85)**
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