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SOUTH CAROLINA WOMEN LAWYERS ASSOCIATION



Together We Lead. Together We Last.

SCWLA 2026 Conference | Pastides Alumni Center, Columbia, South Carolina

September 23-25, 2026

Tentative Schedule

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 23, 2026

Hotel Check-In for Out of Town Attendees

Dinner – On Your Own Around Columbia

President’s Dinner – Invitation Only 6:00pm - 9:00pm

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 24, 2026

Group Morning Walk - Optional & Complimentary..... 6:30am - 7:30am

Registration and Breakfast 8:00am - 9:00am

Welcome & General Membership Meeting..... 9:00am - 9:15am

From Barriers to Breakthroughs..... 9:15am

- The Honorable Jean Toal - Retired South Carolina Supreme Court Chief Justice
- Beverly A. Carroll, Esquire - Morton & Gettys
- Shaheena Bennett, Esquire - Bennett Law Firm & Mediation, LLC

The Evolution of Influence..... 10:15am

- Alyssa L. Richardson, Esquire - CEO, Develop South Carolina
- Sheila Abron, Esquire - Fisher Phillips
- The Honorable Stephanie N. Lawrence - Richland County Master-In-Equity

Break..... 11:15am - 11:30am

No Seat at the Table? Build One!..... 11:30am

- Tameika Isaac Devine, Esquire - Jabber & Isaac
- Annie Andrews, Esquire - Palmetto Injury Law
- Kelly Jolley, Esquire - Jolley Law Group

Lunch – Included in Conference Registration..... 12:30pm

Voices that Win: Women Litigators in Action..... 1:30pm

- Chelsea A. Glover, Esquire - Johnson Toal Battiste PA
- Deborah B. Barbier, Esquire - Deborah Barbier Attorney at Law
- Amy L.B. Hill, Esquire - Richardson Thomas



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Step Up, Stand Out..... 2:30pm

- La’Jessica Stringfellow, Esquire - Robinson Gray Stepp & Laffitte, LLC
- Nekki Shutt, Esquire - Burnette Shutt McDaniel
- Shelby Leonardi, Esquire - Polalas Horton & Leonardi

Free Time 3:30pm - 5:30pm

Networking Reception, Dinner & Conversation with Dawn Staley 5:30pm - 8:30pm
and the Honorable Michelle Childs (Additional Registration Fee Required)

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 25, 2026

Morning Yoga - Optional and Complimentary..... 6:30am - 7:30am

Registration and Breakfast 8:00am - 9:00am

Many Paths, One Profession: Women Across the Legal Field..... 9:00am

- Shannon F. Bobertz, Esquire - SC Department of Natural Resources, Chief of Staff
- Mary Lucas, Esquire - Open Technology Fund, Associate General Counsel
- Kali Turner, Esquire - South Carolina Bar, Government Affairs Director

Taylor Swift & The Law..... 10:00am

- Julie Moore, Esquire - Duffy & Young

Break..... 11:00am - 11:15am

Permission Not Required 11:15am

- Merritt McNeely - Flock and Rally

SCWLA Awards Luncheon - Included in Registration 12:30pm

The Weight No One Sees: Mental Health and the Second Shift..... 2:00pm

- Christalyn Howard, LPC - Carolina Counseling

SCWLA President Closing Remarks 3:15pm - 3:30pm