Thursday, September 29, 2016

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11 a.m. - 12 p.m.  Registration and boxed lunches

12 - 12:30 p.m.  Welcoming remarks
Michele Nethercott, director, University of Baltimore Innocence Project Clinic
Shawn Armbrust, executive director, Mid-Atlantic Innocence Project

12:30 - 1 p.m.  Remarks from Maryland exonerees
Malcolm Bryant, Sabein Burgess and Demetrius Smith

Moot Courtroom, garden level

1 - 2 p.m.  The Legislative Response to Wrongful Convictions
Sen. Delores G. Kelley, District 10, Baltimore County
Sen. Catherine E. Pugh, District 40, Baltimore City
Del. Erek L. Barron, District 24, Prince George’s County
Moderator: Rebecca Brown, director of policy, Innocence Project

2 - 2:15 p.m.  Break

2:15 - 3:45 p.m.  Litigating Innocence Cases: The Defense Perspective
Booth Ripke, Nathans & Biddle LLP
Don Salzman, Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom LLP
Steve Mercer, Forensics Division of the Maryland Office of the Public Defender
Moderator: Michele Nethercott, director, University of Baltimore Innocence Project Clinic

3:45 - 4 p.m.  Break

4 - 5:30 p.m.  Litigating Innocence Cases: The Prosecutor’s Perspective
Michael N. Herring, commonwealth’s attorney, Office of the Commonwealth’s Attorney, Richmond, Va.
Thiru Vignarajah, Maryland deputy attorney general
Karen Polis, assistant state’s attorney, Office of the State’s Attorney for Prince George’s County
Moderator: John Hollway, executive director, Quattrone Center for the Fair Administration of Justice, University of Pennsylvania Law School

5:30 - 5:45 p.m.  Closing remarks
Shawn Armbrust, executive director, Mid-Atlantic Innocence Project

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Fundraiser to follow: Support the Maryland Expert Fund
A reception and fundraiser for the Maryland Expert Fund will feature special guest Laura Nirider from Making a Murderer.

Tickets required