



JUNIOR LEAGUE
of CHICAGO

LEADERSHIP LUNCH

November 14, 2023 | The University Club

Overview

The Junior League of Chicago (JLC) is an organization of women whose mission is to advance women's leadership for meaningful community impact through volunteer action, collaboration, and training.

Our inaugural LeadHERship lunch builds on this mission by providing a platform for women across Chicago to discuss the unique opportunities and the challenges faced by women leaders.

For over a century, the JLC has diligently worked to empower at-risk families especially women and girls through hands-on mentoring, advocacy, and education. Each year, the JLC donates over 45,000 volunteer hours to community agencies and programs that support child welfare and education. In addition, the JLC raises thousands of dollars to fund our 9 community projects.

Our Focus Areas:

- Meeting Essential Needs
- Violence Prevention & Awareness
- Literacy

Learn more about the JLC at [JLChicago.org](https://www.jlchicago.org)



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Schedule

11:30 a.m.

ARRIVALS & NETWORKING

Noon

WELCOME & OPENING REMARKS

Kristin Bernhard - President, Junior League of Chicago

12:15 p.m.

PANEL INTRODUCTION

Kamaria Campbell - Chair, JLC LeadHERship Lunch

12:20 p.m.

PANEL DISCUSSION

Leading Through Change: Navigating What's Next for Women at Work

PANELISTS:

Sara Feigenholtz, State Senator, Illinois

Stacey Kole, Clinical Professor of Economics, Chicago Booth

Fiona McEntee, Managing Attorney, McEntee Law Group
& Partner, American Dream Fund

Betsy Ziegler CEO of 1871

MODERATOR:

Tracy L. Brown — Chief Content Officer, Chicago Public Media

1:15 p.m.

CLOSING REMARKS

Kamaria Campbell - Chair, JLC LeadHERship Lunch

1:25 p.m.

NETWORKING

Meet the Panel



Sara Feigenholtz
State Senator,
Illinois

Sara Feigenholtz serves as the State Senator for Illinois' 6th district, where the Junior League Headquarters on Astor Street resides. During her time in the House, and now in the Senate, Sara has earned a statewide reputation as an effective legislator on a broad range of policy topics from healthcare and childcare access to hospitality and tourism. As an adult adopted person, she continues to be a champion on issues regarding child welfare and adoption. Although she has amassed many awards in her tenure, those she prides most is twice being recognized with the Richard Phelan Profile in Courage Award from Planned Parenthood Illinois for her work on reproductive rights. Additionally, she has received national recognition for her legislative work from the U.S. Congressional Coalition on Adoption with the Angels in Adoption Award and the National Council for Behavioral Health with the Excellence in Advocacy Award.

Most important to Senator Feigenholtz is providing a voice to the people she represents, making the government work more efficiently, and fighting for those without a voice in Illinois.

Meet the Panel



Stacey Kole

**Clinical Professor of Economics,
Chicago Booth**

Stacey R. Kole is Clinical Professor of Economics at the University of Chicago Booth School of Business. Her research interests cover policies and practices that dictate behavior within organizations and its relation to firm performance. Kole is a two-time winner of the Journal of Financial Economics' Best Paper Prize for her research on compensation and merger integration. She teaches MBA electives that leverage her research including Managing the Workplace, an economics-based approach to managing people, and Industry Analysis.

Kole served as deputy dean for MBA Programs at Chicago Booth from 2004-2020, overseeing all aspects of the MBA experience from student selection through alumni status. Kole previously was a member of the faculty and associate dean for MBA Programs at the University of Rochester's Simon School of Business. Prior to her career in academics, Kole was a financial economist in the Office of Economic Analysis, at the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission. She also worked at the New York Federal Reserve Bank doing country risk analysis.

Kole received a bachelor's degree in history and economics from the University of Rochester in 1982. She received her PhD in economics in 1992 from the University of Chicago.

Meet the Panel



Fiona McEntee

**Managing Attorney, McEntee Law Group
Partner, American Dream Fund**

Fiona McEntee is the Managing Attorney of McEntee Law Group in Chicago. She has been practicing immigration law for over fifteen years. Fiona is regularly featured in national and international media including MSNBC, CNN, and The New York Times. Fiona frequently speaks/writes on the extraordinary ability of visa and green cards (O-1/EB-1A) and on immigration options for startups. Fiona was also asked to submit a statement to Congress on the need for a startup visa and how the outdated U.S. immigration policies push entrepreneurs and startups to other countries.

Fiona has also written and published *Our American Dream*, an award-winning children's book on immigration, and *U.S. Immigration Options for Startups: Accelerate Your American Dream*. Along with some partners, Fiona has recently launched the American Dream Fund, a venture capital fund that will be investing in immigrant founders.

Fiona lives in Chicago with her husband, Brian, and their two wonderful kids, Rose and Perry.

Meet the Panel



Betsy Ziegler

CEO of 1871

A lifelong problem solver, people leader, and learner, Betsy is the CEO of 1871, the #1 ranked private incubator in the world inspiring and supporting hundreds of entrepreneurs and innovators solving some of the world's most important problems. Before joining 1871, she served as the Chief Innovation Officer, and the Associate Dean Degree Programs and Dean of Students at the Kellogg School of Management at Northwestern University. Prior to Kellogg, she was a principal in McKinsey & Company's Chicago office. She is a leader on multiple for-profit and nonprofit boards and is an investor in many young tech companies.

Every day for the last 20+ years, Betsy has had the opportunity to help other people be successful - clients, students, and now entrepreneurs and innovators. She is often described as a dot connector and her favorite thing to do is help people unlock their own potential. Raised in Milwaukee as a Cubs fan, Betsy is a collector of unusual experiences, has circled the globe solo, is a maniacal Ohio State Buckeye football fan, and is a proud mom to her young son Charlie.

Meet the Panel



Tracy L. Brown
Chief Content Officer,
Chicago Public Media

Tracy L. Brown is Chief Content Officer at Chicago Public Media. She joined WBEZ in 2019 as managing editor to lead news enterprise, investigations, daily news and special projects. As Chief Content Officer, she now oversees newsrooms at WBEZ and The Chicago Sun-Times, broadcast programming, podcasts, community engagement/events, and CPM's music station Vocalo. She spent a decade as a news leader at the Atlanta Journal-Constitution as well as The Dallas Morning News and worked at the St. Petersburg Times and South Carolina's The State newspaper.

A University of Georgia graduate, Tracy is the current chair of the Grady College of Journalism alumni board. She is a board member of the Local Media Association, a member of the Economic Club of Chicago and The Chicago Network. She is also a new member of the Junior League's advisory board.

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YOUR OWN LEADERSHIP JOURNEY.

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