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## Her Honor

My Life on the Bench...What Works, What's Broken, and  
How to Change It

The event will feature Judge Cordell with a conversation partner discussing her book, *Her Honor: My Life on the Bench...What Works, What's Broken, and How to Change It*. The event can feature an audience Q&A as well.

### Speaker

## Honorable LaDoris Cordell

### Author

Judge Cordell, the first African American woman to sit on the Superior Court of Northern California, knows firsthand how prejudice has permeated our legal system. And yet, she believes in the system. From ending school segregation to legalizing same-sex marriage, its progress relies on legal professionals and jurors who strive to make the imperfect system as fair as possible.

Cordell's candid account of her years on the bench shines light on all areas of the legal system, from juvenile delinquency and the shift from rehabilitation to punishment, along with the racial biases therein, to the thousands of plea bargains that allow our overburdened courts to stay afloat—as long as innocent people are willing to plead guilty. There are tales of marriages and divorces, adoptions, and contested wills—some humorous, others heartwarming, still others deeply troubling.

### Moderator

## Yolanda Jackson

Executive Director and General Counsel  
The Bar Association of San Francisco (BASF)  
Executive Director, Justice & Diversity Center (JDC)

**Tuesday**  
**November 30, 2021**

Registration: 11:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Program: 12:00 - 1:00 p.m.

**No MCLE will be provided.**

### Virtual Program

#### Cost

FREE

RSVP is required prior to the program date.

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