

PLAN Employment Law Group Meeting
June 12, 2025
Tentative Agenda

8:30 – 9:30 – **Breakfast and Registration**

9:30 – 9:45 **Welcome and Introductions**

9:45- 10:45 **State of the UC Service Centers** – Maria Macus, Deputy Secretary for UC Programs; Nsungwe Shamatutu, Director, Office of Unemployment Compensation Service Centers

10:45 - 11:00 **Break**

11:00 – 12:00 **State of the UC Appeals System** – Rick Bloomingdale, UC Board of Review Chair; other invitations pending

- Part 1: Meet the Board members
- Part 2: Appeals systems issues

12:00 – 1:00 **Lunch/Networking**

1:00 – 2:00 **Clean Slate update** – Sharon Dietrich and Jamie Gullen, Community Legal Services

- This update will examine obstacles to automated sealing felonies and misdemeanors and efforts to correct them, along with the role of sealing petition filing.

2:00 – 3:00 **County expungement and sealing practice** -- Brian Gorman (Summit Legal Aid), Erica Briant (Legal Aid of Southeastern PA), Olivia O'Donnell (Neighborhood Legal Services); Sharon Dietrich, moderator

- Expungement and sealing practices vary significantly between counties, on issues such as DA consent and the scheduling of hearings, having real impacts on our clients' outcomes. This panel will examine those variations and successful efforts to address procedural problems, and brainstorm other ways we can try to improve on county processes.

3:00 – 3:15 **Break**

3:15 – 4:15 **Helping clients get work** – Melissa Evans, Neighborhood Legal Services; David Huang, Community Legal Services

- This panel will explore workplace rights/remedies for clients who have been denied jobs, whether based on their criminal record or other types of illegal discrimination. The

discussion will include the legal handles, negotiating with employers, and participating in the administrative agency process.

4:15 **Goodbye**

This program will be submitted for 5 hours of substantive CLE.