

# Getting Oriented in the Civil Rights Statutes that Protect People with Disabilities: Where We Are, How We Got Here, and What's New on the Horizon

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**Tuesday, October 13, 2020**  
**11 a.m.–1:05 p.m.**

and

**Wednesday, October 14, 2020**  
**11 a.m.–2:10 p.m.**

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## DAY ONE - Tuesday, October 13

### 11:00 The Historical Landscape of Federal Civil Rights Law for People with Disabilities

- Survey of the Rehabilitation Act
- Titles I-III of the ADA
- The Fair Housing Amendments Act
- Their history, what they do, and how they overlap.

**Matthew Serres**, *Disability Rights Oregon, Portland*

### 12:00 Transition

### 12:05 Service Animals, Emotional Support Animals, and Special Accommodations for Miniature Horses

- What is a Service Animal?
- What is an Emotional Support or "Assistance" Animal?
- When does someone have the right to either or both?
- Laws, regulations, and regulatory guidance that define them.
- What role do fair housing laws play in this context?

**Emily Rena-Dozier**, *Oregon Law Center State Support Unit, Portland*

### 1:05 Adjourn

## DAY TWO - Wednesday, October 14

### 11:00 Compliance with Title I of the ADA: The Rights of Lawyers with Disabilities in the Workplace

- Title I and protections for employees with disabilities
- What it's like to be an attorney with a disability
- Challenges faced by attorneys with disabilities
- Examples of reasonable accommodations, including assistive technology
- Other strategies that attorneys with disabilities use to achieve success

**Heidi von Ravensberg**, *Sr. Research Associate, Educational and Community Supports, University of Oregon, Eugene*

### 12:00 Transition

### 12:05 Representing Clients with Diminished Capacity in the Times of COVID-19

- Duties owed to clients
- Ethical pitfalls to avoid

**Terisa Page Gault**, *Harris Velázquez Gibbens, Hillsboro*

### 1:05 Transition

### 1:10 The Intersection of "Effective Communication" under the ADA and "Reasonable Communication" under Legal Ethics Rules

- Special accommodations for clients who are blind, deaf, or have other disabilities that impact their ability to communicate.

**Emily Cooper**, *Disability Rights Oregon, Portland*

### 2:10 Adjourn