

NAME OF EVENT: ACS New York and ACS Los Angeles: Free Britney – The Toxic Side of Conservatorship

DATE | TIME | LOCATION: August 4, 2021 | 1:00 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. PT | Online

BRIEF DESCRIPTION:

The Britney Spears Conservatorship case has captured the world's attention and imagination causing speculation, accusation and misinformation around an otherwise overlooked area of law. In this panel, experts will dispel misconceptions about guardianship/conservatorship, discuss the unique and universal aspects of the Britney case, and share proposed reform to improve the system.

Featuring:

Beth Williams, Deputy Director of Legal Services, The Guardianship Project, Vera Institute - New York

Zoe Brennan-Khron, Attorney, ACLU, Disability Rights Program – California

Robyn M. Powell, Disability Rights Professor, Stetson College of Law.

Moderated by:

Lia Minkoff, Attorney, New York Legal Assistance Group, Co-Chair – ACS New York Lawyer Chapter

AGENDA OF PROGRAM:

- Opening Remarks (5 minutes)
- Panel Discussion (60 minutes)
- Audience questions (20 minutes)
- Closing Remarks (5 minutes)

MATERIALS FOR CALL:

Sen. Elizabeth Warren and Sen. Bob Casey, [Letter to DHS and DOJ asking for data on guardianships in the U.S.](#), (July 1, 2021)

[Fourth National Guardianship Summit: Maximizing Autonomy and Ensuring Accountability](#), National Guardianship Summit (May 2021)

J. Matt Jameson, Tim Riesen, Shamby Polychronis, et. al., [Guardianship and the Potential of Supported Decision Making With Individuals with Disabilities](#), (June 29, 2015)

[How to Make a Supported Decision-Making Agreement: A Guide for People with Disabilities and their Families](#), ACLU (2021)

[You Can Do It Without a Conservatorship](#), ACLU (2021)

[Supported Decision-Making Agreement](#), ACLU (2021)

Beth Williams, [Article 81 CLE Guardianship Presentation](#), Project Guardianship (2021)

[The Basics of Article 81 Guardianship](#), LGBT Bar NY (May 5, 2021)

Robyn Powell, [Disabled People Still Don't Have Reproductive Freedom](#), Dame Magazine (July 26, 2021)