AAUW’s Legal Advocacy Fund Challenges Sex Discrimination in Higher Education and the Workplace

Speaker:  Terry Fromson, Managing Attorney of the Women’s Law Project

Public Invited

Saturday, November 16, 2019

Refreshments at 10am ~ Program at 10:30am

Advent Moravian Church Auditorium

3730 Jacksonville Road, Bethlehem 18017

AAUW-Bethlehem is sponsoring a talk by Terry Fromson, Managing Attorney of the Women’s Law Project (WLP), a Philadelphia public interest law firm engaged in high-impact litigation and public policy advocacy to advance the rights and status of women. Since joining the WLP in 1994, Ms. Fromson’s priorities have included improving the criminal justice response to sexual and domestic violence, enforcing legal obligations of educational institutions to address sex discrimination in athletics and sexual harassment, and improving Philadelphia’s institutional response to domestic and sexual violence.

She led a national effort to stop insurance companies from discriminating against victims of domestic violence, participated in a collaboration to implement the Family Violence Option in Pennsylvania to accommodate domestic violence victims receiving public assistance, helped change Pennsylvania law to provide victims of domestic violence a safe and confidential process to change their names, and participated in the creation of a unique sex crimes review to eliminate bias and improve police response to sex crimes. Ms. Fromson is a principle author on several WLP publications relating to equity in athletics, elimination of institutional bias, insurance discrimination against victims of domestic violence, and access to justice for pro se litigants in Philadelphia Family Court.

Ms. Fromson will discuss her involvement in several AAUW Legal Advocacy Fund (LAF) actions brought under Title IX, the federal law prohibiting sex discrimination in education.

Sex discrimination takes a variety of forms: unfair pay, pregnancy discrimination, sexual harassment, sexual assault, and violations of Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972. LAF addresses these barriers by informing people of their rights and using the legal system to seek justice and change.

For information about this hour and a half program, call 610-865-2087.

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