

#MeToo Panel Speaker Bios – October 15



Aaron Polkey, Staff Attorney, Outreach & Engagement - FUTURES WITHOUT VIOLENCE

- Aaron focuses on FUTURES' workplace safety and judicial education initiatives.
- He has developed curricula and trained individuals from varied disciplines, including public and private employers and workers, judges, advocates, and professional athletes.
- Prior to joining FUTURES, Aaron served as an Attorney Advisor with the D.C. Office of the Tenant Advocate, where he fought for affordable and safe housing.
- Aaron also advocated for equal voting rights with a national nonprofit, and practiced trial law with a prominent firm that specializes in civil rights matters.



Lorelei Walker, Union Rep, PROTEC17

- Dr. Walker is currently a Union Representative for PROTEC17, the standing co-chair for the King County Coalition of Unions and a Board Trustee for MLK Labor.
- In her current capacity, she is focused on advancing community health through equitable wages and equal contract protections.
- As a Union Representative at PROTEC17, she is the representative for 1,000 King County government employees in the Department of Public Health, Local Services and Superior Court.
- Through collaboration with the King County Council and the Executive's office, the Coalition was successful in opening the decade old Labor Policy for revision.
- As a Board Trustee for MLK Labor, she advocated for a focus on Equity and Social Justice development in the organization's 3-year strategic plan.



Sarah Turner, Attorney, Gordon Rees

- Sarah Turner is a partner with the Employment/Labor group and is located in the Seattle and Portland office.
- Her litigation experience includes defending employers in matters involving claims for wrongful discharge, discrimination, harassment, retaliation, privacy, defamation, ADA, leave and benefits, breach of contract, violation of non-competition and nonsolicitation agreements, and wage and hour.
- Ms. Turner has defended clients from lawsuits that are filed in state and federal courts, arbitrations before American Arbitration Association and Judicial Arbitration and Mediation Services, and in matters filed with federal and state agencies including the National Labor Relations Board, Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, Department of Labor, Department of Health, Washington's Labor & Industries, Washington's Human Rights Commission, Seattle Office of Civil Rights, Oregon's Bureau of Labor and Industries, and other state and local administrative agencies.