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Full Bio

Jacqueline Freeman is an attorney and higher education leader who serves as Senior Director and Special Advisor to the President for Engagement, Civil Rights, Title IX at Cooley Law School. She advises institutional leadership on civil rights and Title IX compliance, helping the institution meet its legal obligations while fostering engagement across the school community. She also serves as the school's Principal Designated School Official (PDSO), administering its international student program in compliance with federal immigration regulations under the Student and Exchange Visitor Program. Her work sits at the intersection of law, organizational risk, and institutional decision-making.

Nationally, Jacqueline serves as a Commissioner on the American Bar Association Commission on Lawyer Assistance Programs (COLAP), which supports the well-being of lawyers, judges, and law students, and co-chairs COLAP's Unity and Collaboration Subcommittee. In Michigan, she serves on the Michigan Supreme Court's Commission on Fairness and Public Trust, the State Bar of Michigan Diversity and Inclusion Advisory Committee, and the State Bar of Michigan Lawyers and Judges Assistance Program.

Jacqueline earned her J.D. from Cooley Law School and holds a Master of Arts in Professional Counseling from Central Michigan University. Her training in both law and counseling informs a practical, people-centered approach to compliance and institutional leadership.

Short Bio (for moderator introduction)

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