



COALITION OF CIVIL ADVOCATES

2026 Conference Agenda



About the Event

An informal plaintiff's lawyer convention hosted by the Fishman Haygood litigation team.

Welcome Party

Nov. 18 | 7 p.m.
The Home of Jim Swanson
1240 Esplanade Ave.
New Orleans, LA 70116

Conference

Nov. 19 | 8 a.m. - 3 p.m.
The Ritz-Carlton: Audubon Gallery
Foyer + Audubon Room (1st Fl.)
921 Canal St.
New Orleans, LA 70112

Registration + Rooms

Register Now!

📍 Click [here](#) to register for the conference. Need a room at the Ritz-Carlton? Contact Callie Kamath.

Questions?

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Wednesday, Nov. 18 | Welcome Party

7:00-9:30 p.m. | Welcome Party at Jim Swanson's Home | [1240 Esplanade Ave.](#)

Thursday, Nov. 19 | Conference

8:00-8:50 a.m.	Registration & Breakfast Audubon Gallery Foyer + Algiers (1st Floor)
8:55-9:00 a.m.	Welcome Audubon (1st Floor): Jim Swanson , Fishman Haygood
9:00-9:50 a.m.	Speed to Power While Doing No Harm: How Are We Doing with Meeting Unprecedented Power Needs While Protecting Consumers? Plus, Electric Rate Issue to Watch: How Utilities' Federal Income Tax Treatment May Dramatically Increase Utility Rates with Mark Chalos , Lieff Cabraser; District III Louisiana Public Service Commissioner Davante Lewis ; and Dana Shelton and Justin Swaim , Fishman Haygood
9:50-10:05 a.m.	Break
10:05-10:55 a.m.	Addicted by Design: Inside the Landmark Litigation Holding Big Tech Accountable for the Youth Mental Health Crisis with Jacksy Bilsborrow , Weitz & Luxenberg, and Michael Weinkowitz , Gibbs Mura
10:55-11:05 a.m.	Break
11:05-11:55 a.m.	Shifting Ground: The New Frontiers of Louisiana Environmental Litigation with former Louisiana Assistant Attorney General for Environmental Enforcement Bill Goodell , Goodell Law Firm; Glad Jones , Jones Swanson Huddell; and Isabel Englehart , Fishman Haygood
12:00-12:55 p.m.	Lunch Audubon Gallery Foyer + Algiers (1st Floor)
1:00-2:00 p.m.	Across the Aisle: Two Leaders, One Conversation with Fishman Haygood Partner and former Louisiana Governor John Bel Edwards and special guest
2:00-2:10 p.m.	Break
2:10-3:00 p.m.	Beyond the Boardroom: Who Killed the Company and Who Made Off with the Money? Holding Gatekeepers and Control Persons Liable—and Recovering the Money with Bill Reid , Reid Collins, and Alicia Bendana , Fishman Haygood
3:00-3:05 p.m.	Closing Remarks: Jim Swanson , Fishman Haygood