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Spencer Fane Announces New Date for Annual Martin Luther King Jr. Fellowship Breakfast

April 4, 2024

8:00 am Central - Central

Tennessee State Museum, 1000 Rosa L Parks Blvd, Nashville, TN 37208

This event has now passed.

Spencer Fane is pleased to announce the new date for the firm's 23rd Annual MLK Fellowship Breakfast, a Nashville community gathering hosted by the firm. Following its postponement due to inclement weather, this year's event, originally scheduled for January 15, will now be held on April 4 at the Tennessee State Museum. Doors will open at 7:30 a.m. CT before the program begins at 8:00 a.m.

Former U.S. Congressman Harold Ford Jr. will serve as the breakfast's keynote speaker. Ford served in Congress from 1997-2007 and still believes that the country's best days are in front of us, but he believes that our government and public institutions must begin to tackle the looming challenges. He is now a co-host of FOX News Channel's *The Five* and regularly appears on *Special Report* with Bret Baier. Ford is known for his centrist views and willingness to see both sides of a highly charged political debate.

Attorneys Stacey Garrett Koju and [Charles W. Bone](#) organized the first MLK breakfast in 2002 and, along with attorney Charles Robert Bone, have fostered its significant growth since. Past featured speakers include the late Rev. C.T. Vivian, civil rights heroes Diane Nash and Bernard Lafayette, the late Freedom Rider Ernest "Rip" Patton, former United Nations Ambassador Andrew Young, and U.S. Senator Cory Booker.

For more than two decades, the Annual MLK Day Fellowship Breakfast has united the Nashville community to reflect upon the life and legacy of Dr. King and created a

space to discuss ways the community can continue to work toward the realization of Dr. King's global vision of the Beloved Community. This vision centers on human decency not allowing for poverty, hunger, or homelessness; sustaining a spirit of sisterhood and brotherhood that replaces discrimination, bigotry, and racism; and striving to build a society where justice prevails over war and conflict to progress social justice in our communities.