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MAMA CLE: SOCIAL MEDIA PRODUCTS WHEN EXISTING LEGAL PRINCIPALS ADDRESS NE

Ballard Spahr
1420 Fifth Avenue, Suite 4200
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12:00 PM - 01:00 PM PST

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SOCIAL MEDIA PRODUCTS
WHEN EXISTING LEGAL PRINCIPALS
ADDRESS NEW HARMS
THURSDAY, JANUARY 23, 2025
CLE: 12-1PM
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Join us in-person or on Zoom for an important and timely discussion with Laura Marquez-Garrett on How Social Media Products are Harmful to Children. In this CLE Laura Marquez-Garrett from the Social Media Victims Law Center will discuss:

*How these products work;
How parents can protect their children; and
Ongoing Litigation aimed at protecting children from these products*

Laura Marquez-Garrett is a 2002 Harvard Law School graduate and spent the first twenty-years of their career in Big Law, overseeing complex litigation matters and specializing in electronic evidence and forensic investigation. In January of 2022, Laura left a predominantly defense-oriented practice to join the Social Media Victims Law Center (SMVLC) to contribute to the Center's mission of change and holding social media companies accountable for the harms they are causing to children and families.

Laura has since filed more than 600 complaints against tech companies in state and federal courts across the country. Laura has spoken out about social media and AI harms to multiple major news organizations, on podcasts such as Your Undivided Attention and Scrolling 2 Death, at events like The Mothers Against Media Addiction Expert Insight Series, and panels, including the 2024 Aspen Ideas Festival and The Washington Post Global Women's Summit 2024. Laura also spoke at a House Energy & Commerce Committee Roundtable on the Dangers of Big Tech and the Fentanyl Poisoning Crisis; authored an Op-Ed in the Los Angeles Blade in support of the Kids Online Safety Act (KOSA); has met with hundreds of children and families, tech industry experts, and law enforcement and analyzed social media data across all major platforms; serves as a member of the Fairplay Board of Directors and Phone-Free Schools Movement's Advisory Board; and is actively involved in efforts across the globe to force change and hold tech companies accountable for the harms they are causing children as a matter of intentional platform design.

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