



**Rhonda M. Bolton, Esq.**  
**Founder and Principal Diversity, Equity & Inclusion**  
**Advisor**

Rhonda M. Bolton is a former Congressional policy adviser, government relations attorney for an AmLaw 100 law firm, and Head of Corporate Diversity and Social Responsibility of a Fortune Global 100 affiliate. Currently, she draws upon her twenty years of experience at the intersection of law, policy, and social justice to serve as a nationwide diversity consultant to corporations across sectors, professional service firms, and non-profit organizations.

Ms. Bolton's counsel is sought by C-level executives, heads of Human Resources, and other senior leadership to help organizations develop and execute diversity, equity and inclusion (DEI) vision for nascent initiatives as well as existing initiatives that have reached an inflection point. She is recognized for her extensive experience designing and implementing effective, pragmatic DEI strategies and advising clients on driving and managing necessary—sometimes painful—change through transparency and empathy. She is also a trusted coach to individuals newly appointed to senior corporate DEI leadership roles.

Ms. Bolton regularly speaks on DEI-related topics at conferences and other events nationwide, in addition to authoring articles that have appeared on the Medium and LinkedIn websites. She has authored numerous articles on legal topics as well.

In July 2021, she became the first Black person ever to serve on the Huntington Beach City Council. Her City Council appointment was preceded by service on the City's Human Relations Task Force.

Ms. Bolton is involved with several non-profits supporting higher education and economic opportunity for under-represented students, reflecting her passion for social justice for young people.

She holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Economics from the University of Houston, a Juris Doctor degree from the College of William and Mary School of Law and resides with her family in Huntington Beach.



**Melissa Morgan**  
**Consultant and Senior Facilitator**

Melissa has a rich history of work in education, diversity and inclusion, civil rights and youth-serving nonprofits. She is a relationship builder and solution seeker who values working closely with community leaders and institutions, businesses, philanthropists, grassroots groups, faith leaders, youth, and people of many backgrounds to find common ground and collaborative opportunities for the common good.

Melissa is dedicated to the betterment of our communities through the delivery of engaging leadership training, interactive strategic planning, and dialogue-based human relations programming. Inspired by the values of compassion, equity, inclusion, respect and dignity — she aspires to bridge understanding between people in workplaces, schools and communities across the nation.

Melissa has a background in, and passion for anti-bias education, nonviolence, hate crime education, racial justice, youth empowerment, the arts, technology, and all things communications. Her professional experience has included work with the Anti-Defamation League, Orange County Human Relations Council, the Western Justice Center, the National Conference of Community and Justice, and the City of Long Beach Human Dignity Program. She currently volunteers with her community's Jewish Community Center and the NAACP.

Melissa grew up in the southern region of the U.S. and graduated from the University of North Florida. Upon graduation, she served as a Rotary Cultural Ambassadorial Scholar of Good Will in Merida, Venezuela, before making Southern California her home. She is a graphic designer/creative, an ally, a youth advocate, the mom of two awesome daughters, and a peacemaker at heart.