



## National Judicial Conduct and Disability Law Project, Inc.

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### **PRESS PACKAGE**

National Shakespeare Theater Event – “An Enemy of the People” by Henrik Ibsen  
Contemporary Whistleblower Honoree: Zena D. Crenshaw

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Zena Crenshaw thought her true purpose was realized when a brilliant Indiana attorney transformed her prestigious schooling into a source of cutting edge litigation for personal injury victims in her blighted hometown of Gary, Indiana. As a plaintiffs’ lawyer, Zena fought hard for legal victories in defense orientated Indiana, but won them nonetheless. In fact Zena’s career and skills were peaking when area courts began handing her clients one troubling loss after another. Such was a familiar fate among Zena’s most seasoned, African American colleagues, defying applicable facts, law, and common sense. The prospect of judicial bias was apparent, a fact Zena made public despite her profession’s “culture of quiescence”. Today she pursues a new passion heading National Judicial Conduct and Disability Law Project, Inc., a reform organization that honors judicial independence while demanding appropriate accountability among judges.

