

**Saturday, May 23, 2026**

*From Lifeline to Legacy: Stewardship, Mentorship, and Growing the NAWJ Community*

Building on Session 1, this interactive session invites judges at every stage of their careers to reflect on their personal journey within NAWJ and consider the role they play in sustaining and strengthening the organization. Through guided reflection and facilitated dialogue, participants will explore leadership beyond titles, the power of mentorship and invitation, and practical ways to deepen engagement and build community across the bench. Judges will leave with a renewed sense of ownership, clarity about how leadership is cultivated within NAWJ, and a concrete commitment to help grow and support the organization that supports them.

**Speaker:** Michelle Silverthorn