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PAULA T. EDGAR, Esq. is CEO of [PGE Consulting Group LLC](#), an organizational strategy firm that provides training and education solutions at the intersection of professional development and diversity, equity, and inclusion.

Paula is a highly sought-after keynote speaker and facilitator, conducting live and virtual presentations for clients across industries. Paula develops customized programming to maximize the experience for attendees, ensuring they leave informed and inspired to have a lasting impact both individually and within their organizations. Paula's areas of diversity expertise include unconscious bias, inclusive leadership, and allyship. Her professional development skill set includes personal branding, relationship building, mentor/sponsor best practices, and business development. Paula encourages all participants to Engage Your Hustle™- her business tagline, mantra, and method to elevate their professional endeavors.

Paula is also a committed civic leader. She is active in numerous organizations and social justice initiatives, including her role as a New York City Bar Board Officer, a Diversity Fellow for the American Bar Association (ABA)'s Criminal Justice Section, a past President of the Metropolitan Black Bar Association (MBBA), and as a founding Board Member of The Black BigLaw Pipeline, Inc.

Additionally, Paula is a 2015 Council of Urban Professionals (CUP) Fellow, a Trustee of the Ellis L. Phillips Foundation, and a former member of the Executive Committee of the Deerfield Academy Alumni Association.

As an attorney, Paula practiced employment and workplace discrimination law for the New York City Commission on Human Rights and her professional experiences include several leadership roles focused on talent development and inclusion.

Paula has written for and been featured in a wide array of publications including the *New York Times*, *Bloomberg Law*, *Essence Magazine*, *Shondaland*, and *Business Insider*.

Paula received the Ruth Whitehead Whaley Service Award from the Association of Black Women Attorneys (ABWA). She has also been recognized by the Network Journal Magazine as a "40 Under Forty" Achievement Awardee, a Ms. JD "Woman of Inspiration", and as a "Rising Star" by A Better Chance.

Paula received her B.A. in Anthropology from California State University, Fullerton, and her J.D. from the City University of New York School of Law.



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