



# Thirty Years after Sandra Day O'Connor: A Celebration of Women in the Law

Join **Vedder Price**, the **Women's Bar Association of Illinois**, and novelist **Meg Waite Clayton** for an evening of cocktails, hor d'oeuvres and discussion about the evolving role of women in the law and the unique challenges professional women face.

This event is for Vedder Price clients and friends, and members of the Women's Bar Association of Illinois.

**Thursday, May 19, 5:30–8:00 p.m.**

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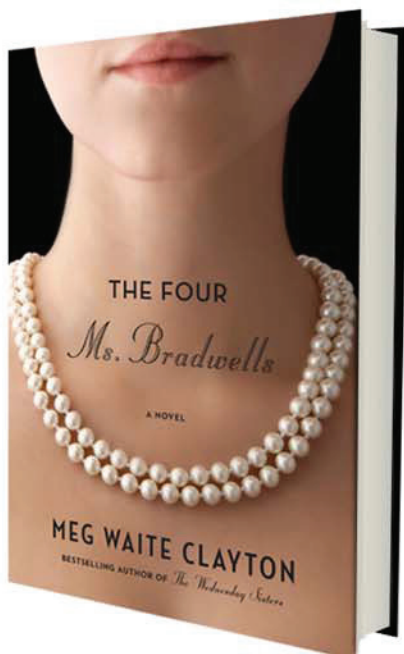
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Meg's most recent novel, *The Four Ms. Bradwells* – a story about four women graduates of the University of Michigan Law School, one of whom is nominated for the Court – draws its title from *Bradwell v. Illinois*, a landmark case in the history of gender discrimination in which Supreme Court Justice Bradley, in denying Mrs. Myra Bradwell the right to practice law, opined, “The natural and proper timidity and delicacy which belongs to the female sex evidently unfits it for many of the occupations of civil life.... The paramount destiny and mission of woman are to fulfill the noble and benign offices of wife and mother. This is the law of the Creator.”

Meg's other novels are the national bestseller and book group favorite *The Wednesday Sisters*, and the Bellwether Prize finalist *The Language of Light*. A 1984 graduate of the University of Michigan Law School, she practiced law at Latham & Watkins before turning to writing, specializing in mergers and acquisitions and corporate finance, and representing major investment banks, private equity, and public and private corporations including Sears, Baker-Hughes, and the Yucaipa Companies (Ralph's, Dominicks, and other major grocery store chains).

