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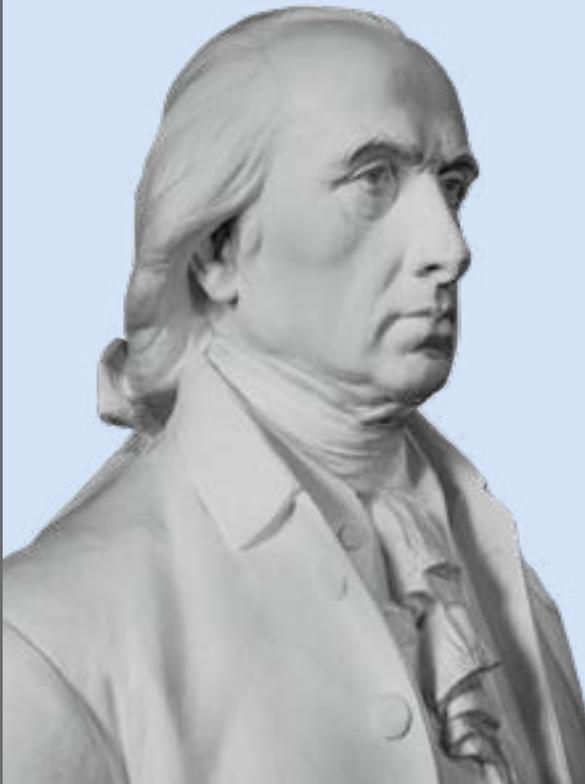
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“The courts must declare the sense of the law; and if they should be disposed to exercise **will** instead of **judgment**, the consequence would equally be the substitution of their pleasure to that of the legislative body.”

Dear Friend,

One of our marquee annual events, the National Student Symposium, was held in March at Georgetown University Law Center. The theme was **First Principles of the Constitution**, and several excellent panels addressed that important topic from various angles. For the banquet keynote, Justice Clarence Thomas was interviewed by Prof. Jennifer Mascott. See inside for photos of the Symposium, and visit fedsoc.org or youtube.com/thefederalistsociety to watch videos of the panels. Also inside, on the Student Division pages, you'll see which Student Chapters received Freddie Awards at the Symposium, honoring them for the great work they're doing on their campuses.

Lawyers Chapters in Ohio and Wisconsin recently hosted statewide conferences, and you can see photos of those events inside this issue and watch panels online. The Faculty Division bestowed the inaugural Joseph Story Award on Prof. Josh Blackman at the Student Symposium; find more information and read a brief interview with Prof. Blackman on page 10. The Sixth Annual Executive Branch Review Conference was put on by our Practice Groups this spring, and it covered issues related to deregulation in a number of excellent panels. The Practice Groups also continue to produce timely commentary in their teleforum conference calls, in the **Federalist Society Review**, and on the **Fed Soc Blog**.

The Article I Initiative hosted a conference on **Restoring Article I**, featuring several lawmakers and commentators discussing ideas about Congress and its proper constitutional role. The State Courts Project has been hosting candidate forums in states where judicial and AG elections are underway, and the Regulatory Transparency Project continues to be active. Our Digital team is busy producing mini-documentaries and other short videos, which you can view at youtube.com/thefederalistsociety.

We hope you enjoy this look at just a few of our activities. Keep up with us between issues on social media and at fedsoc.org. Please send comments to info@fedsoc.org. We look forward to hearing from you!

Katie McClendon
Director of Publications



TEXAS CHAPTERS CONFERENCE

September 7-8, 2018

Fort Worth Convention Center
Fort Worth, TX

*Featuring the Inaugural Gregory S. Coleman
Lecturer, Hon. Clarence Thomas*

Register soon at fedsoc.org.

NATIONAL LAWYERS CONVENTION

November 15-17, 2018

The Mayflower Hotel
Washington, DC

Regulatory Transparency

Register soon at fedsoc.org.

NATIONAL STUDENT SYMPOSIUM



The National Student Symposium was hosted by the Georgetown Student Chapter at Georgetown University Law Center March 9-10. The theme was **First Principles of the Constitution**.

As the keynote for the Saturday banquet, Supreme Court Justice Clarence Thomas shared moving reflections about how his Christian faith and family formed his character. The Justice's former clerk, Prof. Jennifer Mascott, interviewed him in front of a standing room only crowd. On Saturday morning, Attorney General Jeff Sessions opened the conference with a defense of originalism and a critique of nationwide injunctions. Panels then proceeded with discussions of the role of Declaration of Independence in constitutional interpretation, the scope of executive power, and the Fourteenth Amendment. The discussions highlighted the breadth of ideological diversity among Fed Soc members. Students left with new friendships and inspiration to explore the ideas discussed more deeply.

Watch panels you missed at fedsoc.org or at [youtube.com/thefederalistsociety](https://www.youtube.com/thefederalistsociety).



Ethan Womble (President, Georgetown Student Chapter), Dean Mitchell C. Bailin (Assoc. VP and Dean of Students, Georgetown Law), and Darina Merriam (VP and Symposium Chair, Georgetown Student Chapter) introduce the symposium and the first panel.



Panelists Ed Whelan (President, Ethics and Public Policy Center) and Clint Bolick (Justice, Arizona Supreme Court) and moderator Kevin Newsom (Judge, 11th Circuit) listen to an audience question. The panel discussed *The Judicial Power: The Judicial Duty to Follow the Law or a Discretionary Power of Judicial Review?*



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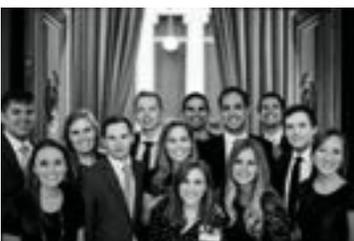
Joel Nolette, the winner of the Article I Writing Contest, accepts his award.

*Read his prize-winning paper in the **Federalist Society Review**.*

Peter Redpath, Director of the Student Division, gets ready to announce the winners of the Feddie Awards (find out who won on page 6).

Visit fedsoc.org and YouTube to watch videos of panels you missed!





Students, faculty, and honored guests gathered for a special reception in the Great Hall of the Supreme Court.



Justice Clarence Thomas is interviewed by Prof. Jennifer Mascott at the symposium banquet Saturday evening.

Saturday Panels:
 The Relationship Between the Declaration and the Constitution
Profs. Randy Barnett, Michael Zuckert, John Makhail, Lee Strang, & Hon. Thomas Hardiman (moderator)
 The Executive Power: Prerogative Versus Delegated Powers
Profs. Martin Flaherty, John Yoo, Sai Prakash, Michael McConnell, & Hon. Amul Thapar (moderator)
 Reconstructing First Principles: The 14th Amendment and the Constitution
Elizabeth Wydra, Profs. John Harrison, Nick Rosenkranz, Kurt Lash, & Hon. Diane Sykes (moderator)
 Perfecting the Constitution: Visions for the 28th Amendment
Profs. Jamal Greene, Laura Donohue, Michael Greve, John McGinnis, Robin Fretwell Wilson, & Hon. Amy Coney Barrett (moderator)

U.S. Attorney General Jeff Sessions addresses the symposium on *Ending Government-by-Litigation*.





The Feddie Awards

Meet the Winners

- James Madison Chapter of the Year:
Yale
- Alexander Hamilton Most Improved Chapter:
Stanford
- Samuel Adams Membership Growth:
Harvard
- Thomas Paine Creative Publicity:
Florida
- Patrick Henry Liberty Award:
Thomas Reinhard of Seattle



Justice Clarence Thomas with Danitza Morales of Florida, Thomas Reinhard of Seattle, Joel Nolette (winner of the Article I Writing Contest), and Sarah Catalano of Harvard.

The **Yale** Federalist Society was honored to receive the **James Madison Chapter of the Year Award**. Our chapter hosts around forty speaker events each year in addition to a dozen intra-chapter debates, a weekly reading group, and much more. This year, we launched an alumni mentoring program, established the Robert H. Bork Award for Friendship to the Yale Federalist Society, and brought nearly fifty student volunteers to the National Lawyers Convention. The Yale Federalist Society brings intellectual diversity to a law school that would otherwise lack it and ensures that topics like textualism and originalism receive the discussion and debate they merit. Our members were excited to receive the Chapter of the Year Award and look forward to building on the chapter's success next year.



Jace Yarbrough & Martin Salvucci of the Stanford Student Chapter accept their Feddie Award.

The **Stanford** Federalist Society is honored to receive the **Alexander Hamilton Award for Most Improved Chapter**. In 2017-18, our programming has sought to provide both serious intellectual critiques and a sturdy support structure for our student members. We have hosted some 40 lunchtime conversations on topics ranging from city planning to the Second Amendment, affirmative action to civil asset forfeiture. We host a quarterly reading group and regular happy hours. We are grateful for the support of the Federalist Society, and we look forward to another successful year.

The **Harvard** Student Chapter has seen immense growth in our membership this year. Due to a marked increase in our outreach to the HLS community at large, the chapter added ninety-eight dues-paying members this year—an increase of 81% since the start of the fall semester. That increase far outpaces the number of 3L members who graduated in 2017. And of those ninety-eight, thirty-seven were 2Ls and 3Ls. This met our goal of connecting with and serving all classes at HLS, not just 1Ls. We kickstarted our membership goals before the academic year began. Over the summer, incoming 1Ls who had provided contact information during spring admitted students weekends attended social events hosted by our chapters in major legal markets. The chapter also brought back the tradition of hosting a community service event. This fall, members donated time to make blankets for homeless veterans in preparation for the brutal Boston winter. Finally, our 1L section representatives made sure that people on the fence about joining the community did not slip through the cracks. We were proud to bring home the **Samuel Adams Award for Membership Growth**.



Taylor Hoogendoorn and Athanasia Livas from the Yale Student Chapter with Student Division staff.

I was extremely honored and surprised to be awarded the first-ever **Patrick Henry Liberty Award**. Being a conservative in an ultra-liberal environment is difficult, but this award has given our chapter a big boost in momentum that will carry into the next school year.

Thomas Reinhard



Thomas Reinhard and fellow members of the Seattle Chapter.

Goodbye and Welcome

... to the the outgoing Student Division Deputy Director, **Austin Lipari**

You've worked in the Student Division for over three years. What was the most rewarding part of the job?

During my tenure at the Student Division, I found mentoring and guiding our student chapter leaders the most rewarding part of the job. Students become involved with Fed Soc because of their passion for ideas. I have developed friendships that will last a lifetime working with students to channel their passion into programming that enriches the intellectual life on their campuses.

How has the legal culture changed since you were in law school?

In many ways, law schools have become mine fields. Our chapters never quite know when hosting an event will result in an explosion. In response to this, we push our chapters to organize their events as debates so that if other students complain, they can't complain that the Fed Soc chapter is not interested in an honest discussion of the issue.

Do you have any advice for your successor?

Get to know the chapter presidents. They are intelligent and driven students who come from all sorts of backgrounds and law schools across the country. Developing relationships with them is the best part of the job and is also crucial to furthering the mission of the Federalist Society.

Any parting words for the Students you've worked with for the last few years?

Keep the faith! Staying involved with Fed Soc will keep you in touch with some of the best lawyers in the country. This is a network of individuals committed to preserving the Constitution's structural safeguards for liberty.



Members of the Florida Student Chapter gather after winning the **Thomas Paine Award for Creative Publicity**.

... to the new Student Division Deputy Director, **Kamron Kompani**

How did you first hear about the Federalist Society?

A few former law students mentioned to me that the Federalist Society was the premier organization for conservative and libertarian law students, and that their events always had the best food. Since I am always looking for a great meal, I was eager to join right away. After spending more time with Federalist Society students and learning more about the organization, I was motivated to become a leader in our Illinois Student Chapter, which was struggling during my 1L year. We were able to transform a chapter that hosted a single event into the top organization on campus, hosting over two dozen events during my 2L and 3L years.

What was your favorite event as a Chapter President?

We had some phenomenal speakers visit us throughout the year, and we were able to end each semester on a particularly high note. Michigan Chief Justice Stephen Markman joined us in the fall for a debate on the death penalty with the Executive Director of the Illinois Innocence Project. Well over 100 people attended that event. And for our final event of the year, Justice Clint Bolick left the warm Arizona weather for our beautiful 40-degree Illinois spring. He joined the Dean of the College of Education for an interesting discussion on education policy. Both were great events, and the students and faculty enjoyed the opportunity to meet with the justices.

What was your greatest challenge as Chapter President of the Illinois Federalist Society Chapter?

The greatest challenge was getting past the Trump effect. After the election, many liberal students seemed to believe that they had to disagree with anything and everything our speakers said. Conservative students were hesitant to voice their opinions given how hostile political discourse had become. To combat this, we showed that we were serious about having a dialogue. We focused on presenting a variety of topics and opinions, often hosting panels and debates to hear different sides of issues. This allowed us to better connect with people, and we had some good discussions throughout the year.

What are some of your favorite activities outside of work?

I really enjoy exercising. I worked as a certified personal trainer through college and for two years before law school. I was overweight for most of my life until I realized how much I enjoyed weight training. After experiencing the benefits that came from a quality workout plan, I wanted to help others make big changes in their lives. I am also an avid Phoenix sports fan (especially the Diamondbacks). And I have a goal to visit every Major League ballpark for a game.

LAWYERS CHAPTERS

Ohio Chapters Conference

Westin Columbus
April 6



Panels

Opening Remarks

- Chad A. Readler, Acting Assistant Attorney General, Civil Division, DOJ

Intro. to Originalism & Federalism: Where Are the Courts Heading?

- Prof. Jonathan Adler, Case Western Law
- Eric Murphy, State Solicitor, Ohio
- Prof. Peter M. Shane, OSU Law
- Hon. Gregory G. Katsas, DC Circuit (moderator)

Janus v. AFSCME

- Prof. L. Camille Hebert, OSU Law
- William L. Messenger, Staff Attorney, Nat'l Right To Work Legal Defense Fdn.
- Robert Alt, President and CEO, The Buckeye Institute (moderator)

Criminal Justice Reform: A Necessary Correction or a Dangerous Experiment?

- Heather Childs, VP, Capital One
- Daniel Dew, Legal Fellow, Buckeye Inst.
- Hon. Dave Yost, Ohio State Auditor
- Hon. Sharon Kennedy, Associate Justice, Ohio Supreme Court (moderator)

Analyzing Ohio's Judicial System and the Ohio Supreme Court

- Hon. Craig Baldwin, Fifth District Court of Appeals
- Hon. Mary DeGenaro, Associate Justice, Ohio Supreme Court
- Hon. Michael Donnelly, Cuyahoga County Common Pleas Court
- Hon. Melody Stewart, Eighth District Court of Appeals
- Douglas R. Cole, Partner, Organ Cole LLP (moderator)



Wisconsin Chapters Conference

Monona Terrace May 4

Panels

Opening Remarks

- Robert Driscoll, Milwaukee Chapter President, The Federalist Society

First Amendment Controversies: Free Speech and Religious Liberty

- Rick Esenberg, Founder, President, and General Counsel for the Wisconsin Institute for Law and Liberty
- Jordan Lorence, Senior Counsel, Alliance Defending Freedom
- Lester Pines, Senior Partner, Pines Bach
- Prof. Howard Schweber, University of Wisconsin - Madison
- Misha Tseytlin, Wisconsin SG (moderator)

Luncheon Address

- Brad Schimel, Wisconsin AG

State and Federal Judicial Selection

- Katie Ignatowski, Chief Legal Counsel, Office of Governor Scott Walker
- Prof. Ryan Owens, University of Wisconsin
- Carrie Severino, Chief Counsel and Policy Director, Judicial Crisis Network
- Andrew Hitt, Chairman, Governor's Judicial Selection Advisory Committee (moderator)

New Federalism

- Hon. Stephen Markman, Chief Justice, Michigan Supreme Court
- Prof. Joseph Ranney, Marquette Law & Shareholder, DeWitt Ross & Stevens S.C.
- Hon. Jeffrey Sutton, Sixth Circuit
- Hon. Brian K. Hagedorn, Wisconsin Court of Appeals (moderator)



Inaugural Joseph Story Award

Presented at the 2018 National Student Symposium

Josh Blackman

Associate Professor of Law,
South Texas College of Law
Houston



The Joseph Story Award is a new award for young legal academics. It is named for Joseph Story, who was appointed to the Supreme Court at the age of 32, served as the first Dane Professor of Law at Harvard, and wrote the Commentaries on the Constitution of the United States. It is the successor to the Paul M. Bator Award.

The Joseph Story Award is given annually, starting in 2018, to a young academic (40 and under) who has demonstrated excellence in legal scholarship, a commitment to teaching, a concern for students, and who has made a significant public impact in a manner that advances the rule of law in a free society. This award will be presented during the Federalist Society's Annual National Student Symposium.

An Interview with Prof. Blackman

What is the focus of your current research?

I am working on the first installment of a new anthology that studies the constitutional history of the United States from 2009 to 2016, focusing on all three branches of government. After I complete the book on the Obama administration, I will turn to the Reagan administration.

What is your favorite thing about teaching?

During a Federalist Society Faculty event in 2013, Justice Scalia reminded a room full of professors that our greatest impact on the world is not through our scholarship, but through the students we teach. I've never forgotten that lesson, and I view every class as an opportunity to impart knowledge to the next generation of lawyers. It is truly the greatest job in the world.

How did you first hear about the Federalist Society?

I vaguely recall reading about the Federalist Society while in college during Chief Justice Roberts' confirmation hearing. When I arrived at the George Mason University School of Law as a 1L, I attended a kickoff meeting, and I was hooked. I've attended every National Convention since 2007.

What is the best law-related book you've read recently?

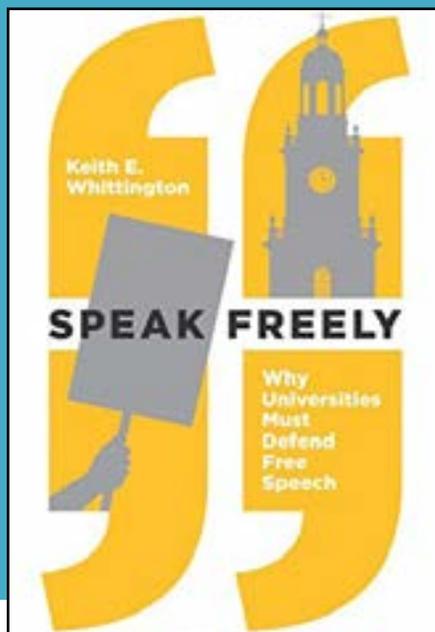
The Righteous Mind: Why Good People Are Divided By Politics and Religion, by Jonathan Haidt.

What is your favorite non-legal book?

Atlas Shrugged, by Ayn Rand.

What is your favorite summer activity?

My favorite activity is the same in all seasons—writing.



Prof. Keith Whittington just published a new book with Princeton University Press. In *Speak Freely: Why Universities Must Defend Free Speech*, Prof. Whittington argues that universities must protect and encourage free speech because vigorous free speech is the lifeblood of the university. Without free speech, a university cannot fulfill its most basic, fundamental, and essential purposes, including fostering freedom of thought, ideological diversity, and tolerance.

Listen to the podcast of our teleforum conversation with Prof. Whittington at fedsoc.org, and pick up a copy for yourself!

FACULTY DIVISION



The Faculty Division hosted a lunch discussion at the 2018 National Student Symposium on **How to Become an Academic**. Federalist Society Senior VP Lee Liberman Otis moderated the panel discussion among three law professors and one political science professor. Other professors joined in the discussion from the audience, and students in attendance learned a lot about the benefits and challenges of pursuing an academic career.



- Above: The *How to Become an Academic* panel at the National Student Symposium, featuring:
- Lee Liberman Otis, Senior VP, Director of Faculty Division, Federalist Society (moderator)
 - Josh Blackman, Associate Professor of Law, South Texas College of Law Houston
 - Renée Lettow Lerner, Donald Phillip Rothschild Research Professor, George Washington Law
 - Jesse Merriam, Assistant Professor, Pre-Law Advisor, Dep't of Political Science, Loyola Maryland
 - David Hyman, Professor of Law, Georgetown Law

Right (top to bottom): Professors Randy Barnett (Georgetown Law) and John McGinnis (Northwestern Law) participate in the panel discussion from the audience.



Colloquium

The Administrative State: Its Foundations & Modern Forms



The Faculty Division's latest colloquium was held in April, and it focused on the administrative state past and present. Scholars including Michael Greve (Scalia), Julia Mahoney (Virginia), Amy Moore (Belmont), and Aaron Nielson (BYU) gathered in Washington DC to discuss their latest research.



PRACTICE GROUPS

SIXTH ANNUAL EXECUTIVE BRANCH REVIEW CONFERENCE

April 17, 2018
Washington, DC

Opening Address

Hon. Neomi Rao, Administrator, OIRA

Plenary Panel

The Deregulatory Landscape

Hon. W. Neil Eggleston, Kirkland & Ellis
Todd Gaziano, Director, Center for the Separation of Powers,
Pacific Legal Foundation
Prof. Philip A. Hamburger, Columbia Law School
Prof. Jonathan Turley, George Washington Law School
Hon. Greg Katsas, DC Circuit (moderator)

Breakout Panels

Administrative Cancellation of Patents: Regulatory Overreach at the Patent Office?

Hon. Paul R. Michel, Federal Circuit (ret.)
Prof. Adam Mossoff, Antonin Scalia Law School
Prof. Arti K. Rai, Duke University School of Law
Prof. Melissa Wasserman, University of Texas Law
Hon. Stephen F. Williams, DC Circuit (moderator)

The Role & Responsibility of the Government Employee

Theodore Cooperstein, General Counsel, OPM
Hon. Stuart F. Delery, Gibson Dunn
G. Roger King, HR Policy Association
David W. Ogden, WilmerHale
John C. O'Quinn, Kirkland & Ellis (moderator)

The Mechanics of Regulatory Reform

Ilona Cohen, Chief Legal Officer, Aledade, Inc.
Dr. Steven P. Croley, Latham & Watkins
Jeffrey M. Harris, Associate Administrator, OIRA
Hon. Jeffrey A. Rosen, Dep. Sec., Dept. of Transportation
Hon. Laurence H. Silberman, DC Circuit (moderator)

Luncheon Panel

Civil Service Reform

Philip K. Howard, Covington & Burling and Founder & Chair,
Common Good
Prof. Jennifer L. Mascott, Antonin Scalia Law School
Tammy D. McCutchen, Littler Mendelson
Bill Valdez, President, Senior Executives Association
Hon. A. Raymond Randolph, DC Circuit (moderator)

Breakout Panels

The Future of the Internet and American Leadership

Opening: Hon. Brendan Carr, Commissioner, FCC
Opening: David J. Redl, Assistant Secretary for Communications
and Information, Dept. of Commerce
Prof. Michelle P. Connolly, Duke University
Brad Gillen, Executive Vice President, CTIA
Hon. Chip Pickering, CEO, INCOMPAS
Bryan Tramont, Wilkinson, Barker, Knauer (moderator)

Litigation and Regulatory Reform

William S. Consovoy, Consovoy McCarthy Park
Michael J. Fischer, Chief Deputy AG, Pennsylvania
Prof. Alan Morrison, George Washington Law School
Prof. Ernest A. Young, Duke University Law School
Stuart S. Taylor, Jr., Contributing Editor, *National Journal*
(moderator)

Disparate Impact

Prof. Gail Heriot, University of San Diego School of Law
Roger Clegg, President, Center for Equal Opportunity
Prof. Theodore M. Shaw, UNC School of Law
Gene C. Schaerr, Schaerr Duncan (moderator)



OIRA Administrator Neomi Rao delivers the Opening Address.



Philip Hamburger speaks about the Deregulatory Landscape, alongside moderator Judge Greg Katsas and Prof. Jonathan Turley.



Tammy McCutchen speaks alongside her co-panelists on the luncheon panel about Civil Service Reform.



The Mechanics of Regulatory Reform panel.



The Role and Responsibility of the Government Employee panel.



Chip Pickering, Michelle Connolly, and Brad Gillen.

Administrative Law & Regulation

Civil Rights

Corporations, Securities & Antitrust

Criminal Law & Procedure

Environmental Law & Property Rights

Federalism & Separation of Powers

Financial Services & E-Commerce

Free Speech & Election Law

Intellectual Property

International & National Security Law

Labor & Employment Law

Litigation

Professional Responsibility & Legal Education

Religious Liberties

Telecommunications & Electronic Media



Gail Heriot and Ted Shaw.



Melissa Wasserman and Adam Mossoff.



Litigation and Regulatory Reform panel.



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ARTICLE I INITIATIVE



Conference Schedule

House Reform Proposals

- Hon. Barry Loudermilk, U.S. House, Georgia 11th
- Hon. Tom Davis, Former Congressman, Virginia 11th
- Hon. David McIntosh, President, Club for Growth (moderator)

Senate Rules, Budget, and Appropriations Reform

- Hon. James Lankford, U.S. Senator, Oklahoma

A Conversation with Hon. Jon Kyl

- Hon. Jon Kyl, Former U.S. Senator, Arizona
- Prof. Susan Dudley, Director, George Washington University Regulatory Studies Center (moderator)

Senate Reform Proposals

- Hon. Christopher DeMuth, Distinguished Fellow, Hudson Institute
- Dr. Matt Glassman, Senior Fellow, Government Affairs Institute, Georgetown University
- Dr. James Wallner, Senior Fellow, R Street Institute
- Daniel Flores, Chief Counsel for the Subcommittee on Regulatory Reform, Commercial and Antitrust Law for the Committee on the Judiciary, U.S. House of Representatives (moderator)

Article I Reform and the Global Trade Accountability Act

- Hon. Michael Lee, U.S. Senator, Utah

Congressional Reflections and Recommendations

- Prof. Josh Chafetz, Professor of Law, Cornell Law
- David Hoppe, President, Hoppe Strategies
- Prof. David Schoenbrod, Professor of Law, New York Law School
- Machalagh Carr, General Counsel & Parliamentarian, Committee on Ways and Means, U. S. House of Representatives (moderator)



Above: Sen. Mike Lee discusses **Article I Reform and the Global Trade Accountability Act**.

Below (left to right): Prof. Josh Chafetz offers **Congressional Reflections and Recommendations**. Dr. Matt Glassman discusses **Senate Reform Proposals** and David Hoppe discusses his recommendations for Congress.





Top (left to right): Sen. James Lankford speaks about **Senate Rules, Budget, and Appropriations Reform**, and Machalagh Carr moderates a panel about **Congressional Reflections and Recommendations**. Above (left to right): Prof. Susan Dudley has a conversation with former Senator Jon Kyl, and the luncheon audience listens. Left (top to bottom): Former congressman Tom Davis and Hon. David McIntosh discuss **House Reform Proposals**. Hon. Chris DeMuth speaks on a panel about **Senate Reform Proposals**.

For more information about the Initiative, visit fedsoc.org/articlei.



STATE COURTS & AGS

Candidate Forums

Alabama Attorney General Candidate Forum May 2, 2018 - Montgomery, AL

- Chess Bedsole, Former Criminal Court Judge & Senior Counsel to DOJ
- Alice Martin, Former Alabama Chief Deputy & Deputy Attorney General
- Allen Mendenhall, Associate Dean and Executive Director, Blackstone & Burke Center for Law & Liberty, Faulkner University (moderator)
- Steve Marshall, Alabama Attorney General
- Chris Christie, Former Trial Lawyer, Bradley Arant Boult Cummings LLP



Supreme Court of Ohio Candidate Forum April 6, 2018 - Columbus, OH

- Douglas R. Cole, Partner, Organ Cole LLP (moderator)
- Hon. Melody Stewart, Eighth District Court of Appeals
- Hon. Michael Donnelly, Cuyahoga County Common Pleas Court
- Hon. Mary DeGenaro, Associate Justice, Ohio Supreme Court
- Hon. Craig Baldwin, Fifth District Court of Appeals

Florida Attorney General Candidate Forum February 3, 2018 - Orlando, FL

- Joe Jacquot, Foley & Lardner, LLP (moderator)
- Rep. Jay Fant, District 15, Florida House of Representatives
- Rep. Ross Spano, District 59, Florida House of Representatives
- Rep. Frank White, District 2, Florida House of Representatives
- Ryan Torrens, Torrens Law Group, P.A.
- Hon. Ashley Moody, Former Hillsborough County Circuit Judge



Wisconsin Supreme Court Candidate Forum January 24, 2018 - Madison, WI

- Prof. Ryan Owens, University of Wisconsin-Madison (moderator)
- Tim Burns, Attorney
- Hon. Rebecca Dallet, Milwaukee Circuit Court
- Hon. Michael Screnock, Sauk County Circuit Court

REGULATORY TRANSPARENCY

The Federalist Society has entered its third year of work on the Regulatory Transparency Project. RTP continues to examine the regulatory system to help form a fuller picture of both its costs and benefits. RTP's twelve Working Groups continue to produce papers, videos, and ideas for new events. Since launching RTP, the groups have produced twenty-two papers, which have been a guide to RTP programming. Over the summer, RTP will be co-sponsoring several live events in the Washington, DC area. To be kept in the loop on new RTP content and events, sign up for our mailing list at RegProject.org.



BUNCH O BALLOONS: Josh Malone shows off his invention, Bunch O Balloons, for a recent RTP video, *Innovation in the U.S. Patent System*.

Check out some of this quarter's work:

- RTP is continuing to produce mini-documentary videos, which can be found on our website or on the Fed Soc YouTube page. Check out **Fourth Branch** videos at RegProject.org/video.
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- Since the beginning of 2018, over 1,000 students have attended an RTP Student Chapter event, and over 300 members have attended RTP Lawyers Chapter events.



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Above: Allyson and her husband Jim and their twins outside the U.S. Supreme Court after Allyson's first oral argument at the Court.

Right: Allyson speaks on a panel about *Executive Power Over Immigration* at the 2017 Texas Chapters Conference.



When and how did you first get involved with the Federalist Society?

I'm a "lifer"—I've been involved since the beginning of my first year of law school at the University of Chicago. I was elected as the 1L Representative of the Student Chapter my first year, Vice President of Speakers my second year, and President my third year. Most importantly, I met my husband Jim at my first Federalist Society event. As we are fond of saying, the Federalist Society is a debating society, not a dating society. But for us—it was both!

What has your involvement looked like since then?

Since law school graduation, I've attended and spoken at local Lawyers Chapter events, written for *Engage* (now the *Federalist Society Review*), participated in podcasts, and served as a member of the Litigation Practice Group's Executive Committee. Attending the annual Lawyer's Convention is a family tradition. Our twins were only two months old when we flew to DC as a family for the 2011 Convention! Jim was recently confirmed as a 5th Circuit judge, and he told Senator Durbin during his confirmation process that we are proud to be members of the Society. One group opposed his appointment because Jim is "one of the most fervent and vociferous supporters of the Federalist Society." Guilty as charged!

How have you gotten you to where you are today in your career?

I've been blessed throughout my life with individuals who have guided and encouraged me—starting with my parents, who taught me to work hard, stand for what's right, and trust God; and my husband, Jim, who has always encouraged me to seek out opportunities and been my strength and my stay. We are both profoundly grateful to the Society leaders who have shaped and been critically involved at every step of our careers—people like Gene Meyer, Leonard Leo, Dean Reuter, Lisa Ezell, and Jan Acosta.

What is the best thing about being an appellate litigator? The worst?

The best thing is helping clients solve their problems so they can focus on their business priorities. Assisting judges in their important work by presenting the best possible arguments while being scrupulously honest. And mentoring the brilliant, dedicated next generation of rising stars—most recently Judd Stone, Michael Kenneally, Jon Berry, Brad Hubbard, Becky Ricketts, John Sullivan, and James Nelson. The worst thing? I haven't come across it yet!

What are your favorite things to do outside of work?

Spending time with Jim and the twins out in the country, by the lake, playing and reading together, hosting friends and family—and catching a movie or two with Jim.

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