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### **Colloquium Participants**

**Robert B. Ahdieh,**  
**Professor of Law and Director, Center on Federalism and Intersystemic  
Governance, Emory Law School**

Robert B. Ahdieh is a graduate of Princeton University's Woodrow Wilson School of Public and International Affairs and Yale Law School. He served as a law clerk to Judge James R. Browning of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit before his selection for the Honor's Program in the Civil Division of the U.S. Department of Justice. Ahdieh's work has appeared in the *Michigan Law Review*, the *NYU Law Review*, and the *Southern California Law Review*, among other journals. Ahdieh's scholarly interests revolve around questions of regulatory design. His particular emphasis has been on various non-traditional modes of regulation, including in the face of overlapping jurisdictional authority and regulatory dependence. During the 2007-2008 academic year, Ahdieh is a Visiting Professor and the Microsoft/LAPA Fellow at Princeton University's Program in Law and Public Affairs.

**Stephanie Biedermann,**  
**2007 – 2008 Limán Fellow, Disability Rights Advocates, Berkeley, CA**

Stephanie Biedermann graduated *summa cum laude* from Princeton University in 2004 and from Yale Law School in May 2007. Biedermann is spending her Limán Fellowship year at Disability Rights Advocates in Berkeley, California. She is working on developing a unique emergency preparedness project to make public entities aware of the critical importance of addressing the needs of people with disabilities when planning for, and responding to disasters. When disasters occur, people with disabilities are among those most likely to suffer because they cannot access critical information, transportation, evacuation, or mass shelter services. Biedermann is working with local governments to ensure that people with disabilities receive equal access and protection in the event of an emergency, as required by state and federal law.

**Richard Blumenthal,  
Attorney General, Connecticut**

First elected in 1990, Richard Blumenthal is currently serving a fifth term as Connecticut Attorney General. Blumenthal's aggressive law enforcement for consumer protection, environmental stewardship, labor rights, and personal privacy has helped to reshape the role of state attorneys general nationwide, and has helped to recover hundreds of millions of dollars for Connecticut taxpayers and consumers each year. Blumenthal was U.S. Attorney for Connecticut, the state's chief federal prosecutor, from 1977 to 1981 -- prosecuting drug traffickers, organized and white collar crime, civil rights violators, consumer fraud and polluters. He served in the Connecticut House of Representatives from 1984 to 1987 and in the State Senate from 1987 to 1990. Blumenthal graduated from Harvard College (Phi Beta Kappa, *magna cum laude*) and from Yale Law School. He was a law clerk to U.S. Supreme Court Justice Harry A. Blackmun.

**Richard Briffault,  
Joseph P. Chamberlain Professor of Legislation, Columbia Law School**

Richard Briffault is the Joseph P. Chamberlain Professor of Legislation at Columbia Law School, where he first joined as a member of the faculty in 1983. After receiving his B.A. from Columbia University in 1974 and his J.D. from Harvard in 1977, where Briffault was a Developments editor for the *Harvard Law Review*, he clerked for the Honorable Shirley M. Hufstедler of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit between 1977 and 1978. Between 1978 and 1980, Briffault was an Associate at Paul, Weiss, Rifkind, Wharton & Garrison, and was subsequently Assistant Counsel to the Governor of the State of New York between 1980 and 1982. Briffault has held a number of positions in public interest organizations. He served as a consultant to the New York City Charter Revision Commission (1987 to 1989) and the New York State Commission on Constitutional Revision (1993 to 1994). He was a visiting scholar at the Taubman Center for State and Local Government, John F. Kennedy School of Government, Harvard University (1996 to 1997) and Executive Director of the Special Commission on Campaign Finance Reform of the Association of the Bar of the City of New York (1998 to 2000). Briffault's publications include *Our Localism*, (Columbia Law Review 1990); *The Local Government Boundary Problem in Metropolitan Areas*, (Stanford Law Review 1996); *The Disfavored Constitution: State Fiscal Limits and State Constitutional Law*, (Rutgers L.J. 2003); *Localism and Regionalism*, (U. Buffalo L. Rev. 2000); *Home Rule and Local Political Innovation* (J. Law & Politics 2006).

**Drew S. Days III,  
Alfred M. Rankin Professor of Law, Yale Law School**

Drew S. Days, III joined the faculty at Yale Law School in 1981. At Yale, his teaching and writing have been in the fields of civil procedure, federal jurisdiction, Supreme Court practice, antidiscrimination law, comparative constitutional law (Canada and the United States), and international human rights. He was the founding director of the Orville H. Schell Jr. Center for Human Rights at Yale Law School in 1988 and served as its director until 1993. He was a staff member of the NAACP Legal Defense Fund, the Assistant Attorney General for Civil Rights in

the Carter Administration, and U.S. Solicitor General in the Clinton Administration. Days is the author of two volumes on United States Supreme Court jurisprudence, practice, and rules: *Moore's Federal Practice, Third Edition*, and most recently, of *'Feedback Loop': The Civil Rights Act of 1964 and Its Progeny*. Days is an honors graduate from Hamilton College and received his LL.B. degree from Yale.

**Norman Dorsen,**  
**Frederick and Grace A. Stokes Professor of Law and Counselor to the President,**  
**New York University**

Norman Dorsen is the author or editor of many articles and books and served as president of the American Civil Liberties Union from 1976 to 1991. Between 1969 and 1976, he was General Counsel to the ACLU, and he participated in dozens of Supreme Court cases arguing, among others, matters that won for juveniles the right to due process, upheld constitutional rights of nonmarital children, and advanced abortion rights. He helped write petitioner's brief in *Roe v. Wade* and appeared amicus curiae in the *Gideon*, *Pentagon Papers*, and *Nixon Tapes* cases. Dorsen was the founding president of the Society of American Law Teachers in 1972. He was also the chair of the Lawyers Committee for Human Rights from 1996 to 2000 and the founding president of the U.S. Association of Constitutional Law, an affiliate of the International Association of Constitutional Law. He has chaired two U.S. Government commissions and received many awards and honorary degrees including the Presidential Eleanor Roosevelt Award for Human Rights and the first triennial award of the Association of American Law Schools for "lifetime contributions to the law and to legal education." He is a Fellow of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences and a member of the Council on Foreign Relations. Dorsen received his B.A. (1950) from Columbia University; an L.L.B. (1953) from Harvard University.

**Jamie Dycus,**  
**2007 – 2008 Liman Fellow, Racial Justice Program, American Civil Liberties Union,**  
**New York, NY**

Jamie Dycus is a 2006 graduate of Yale Law School. He also holds an M.A. in Secondary Education from the University of Mississippi and a B.A. from Stanford University. Prior to law school, Dycus taught middle- and high-school English for six years. Between 2006 and 2007, he clerked for the Honorable Raymond J. Dearie of the Eastern District of New York. As a Liman Fellow, Dycus has joined the ACLU's Racial Justice Program in New York, where he works on the interaction between schools and prisons in Mississippi. At present, the juvenile justice system is too often a tool for maintaining discipline in Mississippi's public schools. Using a range of advocacy strategies, Dycus seeks to alter that approach.

**Leah Fletcher,**

**2007 – 2008 Liman Fellow, Natural Resources Defense Council, San Francisco, CA**

Leah Fletcher graduated *magna cum laude* from Harvard College in 2000. She is a 2005 Yale Law School graduate, who clerked for the Honorable Jeremy Fogel in the Northern District of California and for Justice Carlos Moreno on the California Supreme Court. Fletcher's Liman Fellowship is in the energy program of Natural Resources Defense Council (NRDC) in San Francisco. Her role is to provide legal analysis and strategy as NRDC and other environmental groups develop and propose implementing regulations for California's recently enacted global warming legislation. Under this legislation, the state is required, by 2020, to reduce its global warming emissions to 1990 levels.

**Daniel Freeman,**

**2007 – 2008 Liman Fellow, NY Civil Liberties Union, New York, NY**

Dan Freeman graduated *magna cum laude* from Yale College in 2004 and from Yale Law School in May 2007. Freeman works at the New York Civil Liberties Union in New York City. His Liman project focuses on comprehensive reform of the New York Justice Courts, which are courts of original jurisdiction outside of New York City for civil matters less than \$15,000, infractions, misdemeanors, and initial proceedings in felonies. These courts have received a good deal of publicity in light of reports of unfair process. Using an array of advocacy methods, Freeman hopes to help reform these courts so that their procedures comply with constitutionally-guaranteed rights to due process and fair trial.

**Robin Golden,**

**Selma M. Levine Clinical Lecturer in Law, Yale Law School**

From 2003 to 2007, Golden was the Chief Operating Officer of the New Haven Board of Education, where she oversaw all operational departments of a public school district serving 21,000 students. A graduate of both Yale Law School (J.D., 1998) and Yale College (B.A., 1979), Golden clerked for Justice Richard Palmer of the Connecticut State Supreme Court following graduation from law school. After her clerkship, Golden was Deputy Director of the New Haven Housing Authority. Before entering law school, Golden had a career in non-profit fundraising and management, culminating in a successful capital campaign to build and endow the Slifka Center for Jewish Life at Yale.

**Risa Goluboff,**

**Professor of Law, Professor of History, University of Virginia**

Risa Goluboff joined the faculty at the University of Virginia in 2002. After earning her J.D. from Yale Law School, Goluboff clerked for the Honorable Guido Calabresi of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit and for Supreme Court Justice Stephen Breyer. Goluboff received her A.B. *summa cum laude* from Harvard in 1994 and spent the following year teaching at the University of Cape Town (South Africa) as a Fulbright Scholar. While at Yale Law School,

Goluboff was Senior Editor for the *Yale Law Journal* and Articles Editor for the *Yale Journal of Law and the Humanities*. Goluboff earned her M.A. in History with distinction in 1999 and her Ph.D. in 2003, both from Princeton University. A legal historian, Goluboff's research and publications focus on civil rights, labor, and constitutional law in the 20th century. Goluboff won the 2004 Law and Society Association Dissertation Prize for her scholarship on civil rights in the 1940s. She recently published her first book, *The Lost Promise of Civil Rights* (Harvard University Press, 2007). She is also co-editor (with Myriam E. Gilles) of *Civil Rights Stories* (Foundation Press, 2008).

**Janet C. Hall,  
United States District Judge for the District of Connecticut**

Judge Hall was sworn in as a United States District Judge for the District of Connecticut on October 14, 1997. She received an A.B. degree, *magna cum laude*, from Mount Holyoke College in 1970 and a J.D. from New York University School of Law in 1973, where she was a Root-Tilden Scholar. From 1980 until her appointment in 1997, Judge Hall was first an Associate, and, in 1982, was named Partner at the Hartford office of Robinson & Cole, where she concentrated her practice on civil litigation. Prior to this period, she served in the United States Department of Justice Antitrust Division from 1975 to 1980, except for a brief period in 1979 when she served as a Special Assistant United States Attorney in the Eastern District of Virginia. After graduation from law school, she was associated with the firm of Hale & Dorr in Boston from 1973 to 1975. Active in both the Federal Bar Council and the Connecticut Bar Association, she served as Chair of the Federal Bar Council from 1995 to 1997. Judge Hall has also served as a Director of the Connecticut Bar Foundation and a Trustee of Mount Holyoke College. She is currently the Chair of the Committee on Federal-State Jurisdiction of the Judicial Conference of the United States.

**Robert Hermann,  
Director, New York State Governor's Office of Regulatory Reform**

Robert Hermann is Director of New York Governor Eliot Spitzer's Office of Regulatory Reform, which oversees all state agency rule making. Since graduating from Yale Law School, he has worked in the legal profession for thirty-eight years, nearly half of which has been in private law practice, litigating business and government disputes in New York. Hermann served under Attorney General Robert Abrams in state government, as New York's Solicitor General and as chief of the Public Advocacy Division. In addition, he practiced public interest law as head of criminal law reform at New York City's Legal Aid Society and as, legal director of the Puerto Rican Legal Defense & Education Fund, as well as when the head of the Public Interest Law Clinic and a teacher at NYU Law School. Hermann is the author of works on legal topics ranging from fee-shifting in civil rights lawsuits to indigent criminal defense representation. He also serves as the board chair at Legal Services for the Hudson Valley.

**Dennis Herrera,  
City Attorney, San Francisco**

Dennis Herrera is the first Latino ever to hold the Office of City Attorney in San Francisco. Since his election in 2001, he has gained national recognition for leading an unconventional public law office with a national reputation for aggressive legal tactics. Herrera has made good on his pledge to defend the integrity of public institutions; to expand neighborhood protection efforts; and to enhance local government accountability to citizens and taxpayers. However, it has been several of his bolder, affirmative litigation efforts for which Herrera's office has earned its national reputation. He filed the first government litigation in American history to challenge the constitutionality of marriage laws that discriminate against gay and lesbian couples, in a case that is now before the California Supreme Court. Herrera intervened as the nation's only municipality in seeking to strike down the Bush Administration's federal abortion ban. In November 2006, Herrera's motion for San Francisco's first-ever civil gang injunction was permanently granted by the San Francisco Superior Court against a violent street gang that had threatened the safety of residents in areas of the Bayview Hunter's Point district for more than a decade. Since then, the City Attorney's office has been awarded two more civil gang injunctions against four notoriously violent street gangs in areas of the Mission and the Western Addition neighborhoods. Herrera is a graduate of Villanova University and George Washington University School of Law.

**Raquiba Huq,  
2007 – 2008 Liman Fellow, Legal Services of New Jersey, Edison, NJ**

Raquiba Huq graduated *magna cum laude* from Princeton University in 2003 and from Yale Law School in May 2007. Huq is spending her Fellowship year at the Edison office of Legal Services of New Jersey. Working on immigration cases, Huq plans to help develop a unit specially focused on issues related to gender, specifically handling claims of victims of domestic abuse, female genital mutilation, rape, forced marriages, honor killing threats, and other forms of gender-related violence.

**Michael Kavey,  
2007 – 2008 Liman Fellow, Lambda Legal Defense & Education Fund, New York,  
NY**

Michael Kavey is a graduate of Yale College and graduated from Yale Law School in 2004. He also holds an M.A. in Spanish from Middlebury College. After law school, he clerked for the Honorable Sonia Sotomayor of the Second Circuit Court of Appeals and the Honorable Gerard E. Lynch of the District Court for the Southern District of New York. Having developed a passion for civil rights work as a high school gay rights advocate, his fellowship at Lambda Legal Defense and Education Fund enables him to spearhead an expansion of the organization's work on behalf of lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender youth who face discrimination and harassment at school.

**Harold Hongju Koh,  
Dean and Gerard C. and Bernice Latrobe Smith Professor of International Law,  
Yale Law School**

Harold Hongju Koh is Dean and Gerard C. & Bernice Latrobe Smith Professor of International Law at Yale Law School, where he has taught international law, human rights, and civil procedure since 1985 and has served since 2004 as the fifteenth Dean. From 1998 to 2001, he served as Assistant Secretary of State for Democracy, Human Rights and Labor. A graduate of Harvard College, Oxford University (where he was a Marshall Scholar), and Harvard Law School (where he was Developments Editor of the *Harvard Law Review*), he went on to serve as law clerk to Judge Malcolm Richard Wilkey of the D.C. Circuit, and Justice Harry A. Blackmun of the U.S. Supreme Court. Before coming to Yale in 1985, he practiced law at the Washington law firm of Covington & Burling and at the Office of Legal Counsel at the U.S. Department of Justice. He has written more than 80 articles and authored or co-authored eight books, including *Transnational Legal Problems* (with H. Steiner & D. Vagts) and *The National Security Constitution*, which won the American Political Science Association's award as the best book on the American Presidency. Koh has been awarded nine honorary doctorates and two law school medals and has received more than twenty-five awards for his human rights work, including representation of Haitian refugees before the U.S. Supreme Court (described in Brandt Goldstein, *Storming the Court: How A Band of Yale Law Students Fought the President and Won* (2005)). Koh is a Fellow of the American Philosophical Society and the American Academy of Arts and Sciences, an Honorary Fellow of Magdalen College, Oxford, a Visiting Fellow at All Souls College, Oxford, and a member of the Council of the American Law Institute. He has served as an Editor of the *American Journal of International Law* and the Foundation Press Casebook Series. He has received Guggenheim and Century Foundation Fellowships and sat on the boards of directors or overseers of Harvard University, the Brookings Institution, National Democratic Institute, Human Rights First, Human Rights in China, and the American Arbitration Association. He has been named by *American Lawyer* magazine as one of America's 45 leading public sector lawyers under the age of 45, and by *A Magazine* as one of the 100 most influential Asian-Americans of the 1990s. He has given several dozen named lectures at universities around the world, and received the 2005 Louis B. Sohn Award from the American Bar Association and the 2003 Wolfgang Friedmann Award from Columbia Law School for his lifetime achievements in International Law.

**Margaret H. Marshall,  
Chief Justice, Supreme Judicial Court, Massachusetts**

A native of South Africa, Chief Justice Marshall graduated from the University of the Witwatersrand, Johannesburg in 1966. She was elected president of the National Union of South African Students in 1966 and served in that capacity until 1968, when she came to the United States to pursue her graduate studies. She received a master's degree from Harvard University, and her J.D. from Yale Law School. Chief Justice Marshall practiced law in Boston for sixteen years, becoming a partner in the Boston law firm of Choate, Hall & Stewart. Before her appointment to the Supreme Judicial Court, she was Vice President and General Counsel of Harvard University. First appointed as an Associate Justice of the Supreme Judicial Court in November, 1996, she was named as Chief Justice in September, 1999, by Governor Argeo Paul Cellucci, and began her term on October 14, 1999, following her confirmation by the Governor's Council. Chief Justice Marshall is the second woman to serve on the Supreme Judicial Court in its more than 300 year history and the first woman to serve as Chief Justice.

**William P. Marshall,  
Solicitor General, Ohio; William Rand Kenan, Jr. Distinguished Professor of Law,  
University of North Carolina School of Law**

William Marshall received his law degree from the University of Chicago and his undergraduate degree from the University of Pennsylvania. Marshall served as Deputy White House Counsel and Deputy Assistant to the President of the United States during the Clinton Administration, where he worked on issues ranging from freedom of religion to separation of powers. He has published extensively on constitutional law issues and is a nationally recognized First Amendment scholar. He is also a leading expert on federal judicial selection matters and on the interrelationship between media, law, and politics. He teaches media law, civil procedure, constitutional law, First Amendment, federal courts, and the law of the presidency. He began serving as Solicitor General of Ohio in 2007.

**Tracey Meares,  
Walton Hale Hamilton Professor of Law, Yale Law School**

Tracey Meares received her B.S. in General Engineering from the University of Illinois and her J.D. from the University of Chicago Law School. Upon graduation, Meares clerked for Judge Harlington Wood, Jr. of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit. She then served as an Honors Program Trial Attorney in the Antitrust Division in the United States Department of Justice before joining the University of Chicago law faculty in 1994. She was the Max Pam Professor of Law and the Director of the Center for Studies in Criminal Justice at the University of Chicago when she left to join Yale in January of 2007. Her research and teaching interests center on criminal procedure and criminal law policy, with a particular emphasis on empirical investigation of these subjects.



**Gillian Metzger,  
Professor of Law, Columbia Law School**

Gillian Metzger joined the Columbia law faculty in 2001. She teaches constitutional and administrative law as well as a seminar on federalism. Her publications include *Gellhorn and Byse's Administrative Law: Cases and Comments* (Foundation Press; joined as editor with Peter L. Strauss, Todd D. Rakoff, and Cythia R. Farina, 2007), *Congress, Article IV, and Interstate Relations*, (Harvard L. Rev. 2007), *Facial Challenges and Federalism*, (Columbia 2005), and *Privatization As Delegation*, (Columbia L. Rev. 2003). Prior to coming to Columbia, Metzger served as a law clerk to Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg of the U.S. Supreme Court and Judge Patricia M. Wald of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit. She also worked as an attorney in the Democracy Program at the Brennan Center for Justice at NYU School of Law, where she was instrumental in bringing litigation challenging Florida's permanent disenfranchisement of felons and assisted in efforts to defend campaign finance reform measures. Metzger received her J.D. from Columbia in 1995, where she was executive articles editor of the *Columbia Law Review*, and also has a B. Phil. (masters) in philosophy from Oxford. She received her B.A. from Yale in 1987.

**Kathleen Morris,  
Executive Director of the San Francisco City Attorney's Affirmative Litigation Task  
Force; Attorney on the City's Complex and Special Litigation Team; Visiting  
Lecturer at Yale Law School**

Kathleen Morris was lead counsel for San Francisco in the so-called "partial-birth abortion" case and is a member of the team challenging California's discriminatory marriage laws. Morris has a Master of Social Science from the University of Edinburgh, Scotland and a law degree from the University of California, Berkeley. After law school, she clerked for Ninth Circuit judge Sidney R. Thomas and worked as an associate at the San Francisco law firms of Altshuler Berzon LLP, and Howard, Rice, Nemerovski, Canady, Falk & Rabkin. Morris serves on the Ninth Circuit's Attorney Admission Fund Committee, and is an active member of the Northern District Chapter of the Federal Bar Association and of the American Constitution Society.

**Dennis Parker,  
Director, American Civil Liberties Union's Racial Justice Program**

In 2006, Dennis Parker became the Director of the American Civil Liberties Union's Racial Justice Program. Prior to joining the ACLU, Parker was the Chief of the Civil Rights Bureau in the Office of New York State Attorney General Eliot Spitzer, where he oversaw the enforcement of anti-discrimination laws in housing, employment, voting, public accommodations, and credit. He spent fourteen years at the NAACP Legal Defense and Education Fund, where he supervised the litigation of scores of cases throughout the country in matters involving elementary and secondary education, affirmative action in higher education, and equal educational opportunity. Parker also worked with the New York Legal Aid Society. He authored the 1993 edition of the *Fair Housing Litigation Handbook* and wrote a chapter in this year's *Awakening from the Dream: Civil Rights Under Siege and the New Struggle for Equal Justice*. He teaches Race, Poverty, and Constitutional Law at Columbia University. He is a graduate of Middlebury College and of Harvard Law School.

**Ellen Ash Peters,  
Former Chief Justice, Connecticut Supreme Court**

A 1951 graduate of Swarthmore College, Judge Peters received her law degree from Yale Law School in 1954. After a year of clerking for Chief Judge Charles E. Clark of the United States Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit, and then another year as a Research Associate at the University of California Law School at Boalt Hall, she returned to Yale to begin her teaching career of twenty-two years at that school. She was appointed an Associate Justice of the Connecticut Supreme Court in 1978 and named Chief Justice in 1984. During her term as Chief Justice, she headed the Conference of Chief Justices and the National Center for State Courts. She served as Senior Justice for some years prior to her mandatory retirement from the Court in 2000. She is now a Judge Trial Referee and sits with the Appellate Court. She has published a casebook, a primer, and numerous articles, in such publications as the *Yale Law Journal*, the *Connecticut Law Review*, the *Michigan Law Review* and the *New York University Law Review*. She has numerous honorary degrees. She was a member of the Board of Managers of Swarthmore College and an Alumni Fellow of the Yale Corporation. She is currently a member of the Council of the American Law Institute, the Council of the American Philosophical Society, and of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences.

**Judith Resnik,  
Arthur Liman Professor of Law, Yale Law School**

Judith Resnik teaches about federalism, procedure, feminism, and local and global interventions to diminish inequalities and subordination. Her writings include *Trial as Error, Jurisdiction as Injury: Transforming the Meaning of Article III* (Harv. L. Rev. 2000), *Law's Migration: American Exceptionalism, Silent Dialogues, and Federalism's Multiple Ports of Entry* (Yale L.J. 2006); and *Foreign as Domestic Affairs: Rethinking Horizontal Federalism and Foreign Affairs Preemption in Light of Translocal Internationalism* (Emory L.J. 2008). Resnik has chaired the Sections on Procedure, on Federal Courts, and on Women in Legal Education of the American Association of Law Schools. She is a Managerial Trustee of the International Association of Women Judges and the founding director of Yale's Arthur Liman Public Interest Program and Fund. Currently, she serves as a Co-chair of the Women's Faculty Forum of Yale University. In 2001, she was elected a fellow of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences, and in 2002, a member of the American Philosophical Society. In 2008 she received the Distinguished Scholar Award from the Fellows of the American Bar Foundation. Resnik is a graduate of Bryn Mawr and of NYU Law School, where she was a Hays fellow.

**Sarah French Russell,  
Director of the Arthur Liman Public Interest Program and Lecturer in Law, Yale  
Law School**

Sarah French Russell joined Yale Law School in 2007 from the Federal Public Defender's Office in New Haven where, as an Assistant Federal Defender, she represented indigent clients in federal court at the trial and appellate levels. Russell clerked for Chief Judge Michael B. Mukasey in the Southern District of New York and for Judge Chester J. Straub on the Court of

Appeals for the Second Circuit. She earned her B.A., *magna cum laude*, from Yale College and her J.D. from Yale Law School. Her interests include the problems of access to justice, criminal procedure, sentencing, and gender and equality.

**Benjamin I. Sachs,  
Joseph Goldstein Fellow and Lecturer in Law, Yale Law School**

Benjamin Sachs teaches Emerging Trends in Labor Law at Yale Law School. He has served as Assistant General Counsel to the Service Employees International Union in Washington, D.C. and as Staff Attorney for the Workplace Justice Project in Brooklyn, NY. In 2007, he won the Yale Law School Teaching Award from Yale Law Women. Sachs received his J.D. from Yale Law School and his B.A. from Oberlin College.

**Paul Samuels,  
Director/President, Legal Action Center, New York**

Paul Samuels has participated in ground-breaking litigation defending the rights of people with alcohol and drug histories, HIV disease and criminal records; worked on and overseen numerous advocacy campaigns to combat discrimination, expand services, reform sentencing laws, and effect other important public policy advances; testified before numerous Congressional and state legislative committees; lectured in more than twenty-five states; and served on numerous national and state advisory groups. Samuels has received a number of awards, including the Robert Wood Johnson Innovator Award (2002), The Betty Ford Award, AMERSA (1998), New York City Coalition of Alcoholism and Substance Abuse Organizations (1997), Veritas Villa (1995), New York State Association for Alternative Sentencing Programs (1994), and National Association of State Alcohol and Drug Abuse Directors (1992 and 1994). Samuels joined the staff of the Legal Action Center while a law student in 1976, became a staff attorney upon graduation from Columbia Law School in 1979, Executive Vice President in 1983, and Director/President in 1992. He is a graduate of Harvard College.

**Sia Sanneh,  
2007 – 2008 Liman Fellow, Legal Action Center, NY**

Sia Sanneh graduated *magna cum laude* from Columbia University in 2001 and from Yale Law School in 2007. She also holds an M.A. from Columbia Teachers College. Between 2001 and 2004, Sanneh taught seventh and eighth grades in Washington Heights, New York, as part of the Columbia Urban Educators Program. Sanneh is spending her Liman Fellowship year at the Legal Action Center (LAC) in New York City, conducting research into the use of criminal sanctions for disciplinary infractions in New York City public schools. She is evaluating the long-term effects of school-based arrests and the effects of these policies on students in New York City. She is developing recommendations and advocacy strategies that focus on the collateral consequences of these school discipline policies.

**Richard C. Schragger,**  
**Professor of Law, Class of 1948 Professor in Scholarly Research in Law**  
**University of Virginia School of Law**

A scholar of local government law, land use, and legal theory, Richard Schragger returned to Virginia after a year as a visiting professor at the Georgetown University Law Center. Before joining the faculty, he was a visiting professor at Quinnipiac University School of Law in Hamden, Connecticut and a visiting scholar at Yale Law School. His publications and research interests focus on questions of scale and power in democratic theory, constitutional law, and property. Schragger graduated *magna cum laude* from Harvard Law School. He was supervising editor of the *Harvard Law Review* and editor of the *Harvard Civil Rights-Civil Liberties Law Review*. After clerking for the Honorable Dolores Sloviter, Chief Judge of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit, Schragger joined the Washington, D.C. firm, Miller, Cassidy, Larroca & Lewin where he represented clients in First Amendment, employment, and appellate litigation.

**Randall T. Shepard,**  
**Chief Justice, Indiana Supreme Court**

Randall T. Shepard was appointed to the Indiana Supreme Court by Governor Robert D. Orr in 1985, at the age of thirty-eight. He became Chief Justice of Indiana in March 1987. Shepard graduated from Princeton University *cum laude* and from the Yale Law School. He earned a Master of Laws degree in the judicial process from the University of Virginia. Shepard was Judge of the Vanderburgh Superior Court from 1980 until his appointment. He earlier served as executive assistant to Mayor Russell Lloyd of Evansville and as special assistant to the Under Secretary of the U.S. Department of Transportation. Shepard was also a trustee of the National Trust for Historic Preservation. He served as chair of the ABA Appellate Judges Conference and of the Section of Legal Education and Admissions to the Bar. During fiscal year 2005-06, Shepard served as President of the National Conference of Chief Justices. Shepard was recently appointed by Chief Justice John Roberts to serve on the Judicial Conference Advisory Committee on Civil Rules. Shepard formerly served on the Committee on Federal-State Jurisdiction. He teaches periodically at the law schools of NYU and Yale.

**Robert A. Solomon,**  
**Clinical Professor of Law and Supervising Attorney and Director of Clinical Studies,**  
**Yale Law School**

Robert Solomon has taught at Yale Law School since 1985. His subjects are poverty, and housing and community development. Among his publications are *Building a Segregated City: How We All Worked Together* and *Ending Welfare Mythology As We Know It*. Solomon has a B.A. from Rutgers University (1969) and a J.D. from George Washington University (1972). He served as Executive Director of the New Haven Housing Authority from 1999 to 2002.

**James E. Tierney,  
Director of the National State Attorneys General Program, Lecturer-in-Law,  
Columbia Law School**

James E. Tierney served as the Attorney General of Maine from 1980 until 1990. He currently practices as a consultant to attorneys general and others on state regulatory structures and multi-state initiatives. Tierney is a graduate of the University of Maine and its School of Law. During his ten years as Attorney General of Maine, Tierney played an active role in the National Association of Attorneys General (NAAG), including service on NAAG's Executive Board and various committees. Both while in office and since his departure, Tierney has instructed newly elected state attorneys general on the effective performance of their office. Tierney has held a variety of special appointments, including serving as Special Counsel to the Attorney General of Florida during the contested 2000 Presidential election. He has served as a Special Prosecutor in Pennsylvania, Minnesota, and Vermont and, on behalf of NAAG, has authored an analysis of the operations of state grand jury practice throughout the United States. Tierney was a Wasserstein Fellow at Harvard Law School and has been a guest lecture at many law schools about the office of state attorney general. He has also taught at Boston College Law School, Northeastern Law School and the University of Maine School of Law. Tierney served on the Board of the American Judicature Society and was a member of the Board of Commentators of the Courtroom Television Network where he appeared regularly as a guest. In April of 2006, Tierney was selected as the Public Interest Professor of the Year at Columbia Law School.

**Dorian T. Warren,  
Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science and the School of International  
and Public Affairs, Columbia University**

Dorian T. Warren specializes in the study of inequality and American politics, focusing on the political organization of marginalized groups. His research and teaching interests include race and ethnic politics, labor organizing & politics, urban politics, American political development, public policy, and social science methodology. Warren received his B.A. from the University of Illinois and his M.A. and Ph.D. from Yale University. He was a post-doctoral scholar and Visiting Faculty at the Harris School of Public Policy at the University of Chicago and has received research fellowships from the Ford Foundation, the Joseph S. Murphy Institute for Worker Education and Labor Studies, and from the University of Notre Dame. Warren is a Faculty Affiliate at the Institute for Research in African-American Studies and a Faculty Fellow at the Institute for Social and Economic Research and Policy.

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