I am pleased to present our Distinguished Speaker Series brochure, illustrating the rich, exciting and diverse intellectual life existing at American University Washington College of Law (WCL). Throughout the year, distinguished scholars from other schools and our own community presented their research. With other faculty members acting as commentators, a dialogue among the entire faculty took place concerning the nature and purpose of scholarship, the theoretical foundations underpinning our efforts, and topics such as race, immigration, the Constitution, gender, international human rights and legal education.

On behalf of our community, I would like to thank the scholars who came to WCL from around the country to contribute to our joint scholarly enterprise. The organization of the Series required tremendous effort and creativity, and its success would not have been possible without the assistance of many individuals, particularly WCL's Faculty Speaker Series Committee, composed of Associate Dean for Scholarship and Professor Susan Carle, Professor Kenneth Anderson, Professor Heather Hughes, and Professor Darren Hutchinson.

We present this brochure to the academic community in the United States to promote the exchange of ideas. We welcome your comments and suggestions.

Sincerely,

Claudio Grossman, Dean

2007-2008 Faculty Speaker Series Committee:

The 2007-2008 Distinguished Speaker Series showcased an exciting plurality of scholarly goals, methods and intellectual commitments. The Faculty Speaker Series Committee is extremely grateful for the dynamic and stimulating presentations of all of the speakers and commentators, as well as the enthusiastic turnout and participation of WCL's faculty.

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Antidiscrimination Law as Disruption: The Emergence of a New Paradigm for Understanding Discrimination
Vicki Schultz
Yale Law School

COMMENTATOR:
Candace Kovacic-Fleischer
American University Washington College of Law

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The Significance of the Local in Immigration Regulation
Cristina Rodriguez
New York University Law School

COMMENTATOR:
Jamin Raskin
American University Washington College of Law

OCT. 19

The Right Remedy for the Wrongly Convicted: Judicial Sanctions for Destruction of Evidence
Cynthia Jones
American University Washington College of Law

COMMENTATOR:
Andrew E. Taslitz
Howard University School of Law

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State Constitutionalism and the Scope of Judicial Review
Dan Rodriguez
University of Texas

COMMENTATOR:
Mark Niles
American University Washington College of Law

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At Home in the Law
Jeanne Suk
Harvard Law School

COMMENTATOR:
Kevin Haynes
University of North Carolina Law School

JANUARY

Beyond (Straight and Gay) Marriage: Valuing All Families under the Law
Nancy Polikoff
American University Washington College of Law

COMMENTATOR:
Judith Areen
Georgetown University Law Center
February

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Informal Labor Markets and Development
Kerry Rittich
University of Toronto

Heather Hughes
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Feb. 15
On Proportionality of Counter-Measures in International Law
Thomas M. Franck
New York University School of Law

Stephen Vladeck
American University Washington College of Law

Feb. 22
Law Clinics and Collective Mobilization
Sameer Ashar
City University of New York School of Law

Ann Shalleck
American University Washington College of Law

Feb. 29
The Long Lingering Shadow: Law, Liberalism and Cultures of Racial Hierarchy and Identity in the Americas
Tanya K. Hernandez
George Washington University Law School

Ezra Rosser
American University Washington College of Law

March

Mar. 21
Courage to Dissent: Communities, Lawyers, and Courts in the Civil Rights Movements
Tomiko Brown-Nagin
University of Virginia School of Law

Darren Hutchinson
American University Washington College of Law

March 28
Right Star Rising: American Politics and the Limits of Leadership in the Seventies, 1974-79
Laura Kalman
Department of History, University of California, Santa Barbara

Lewis Grossman
American University Washington College of Law
APR. 4

Arbitration of Shareholder Claims: Why Change is not Always a Measure of Progress
Jennifer Johnson
Lewis & Clark Law School

COMMENTATOR:
Perry Wallace
American University Washington College of Law

APR. 11

Reflections on Law, Development and Rentierism in the Middle East: The Case of Egypt
Lama Abu-Odeh
Georgetown University Law Center

COMMENTATOR:
Muneer Ahmad
American University Washington College of Law

APR. 18

The Four Lacanian Discourses or Turning Law Inside-Out
Jeanne Schroeder
Cardozo Law School

COMMENTATOR:
Adam Thurschwell
Cleveland-Marshall College of Law

MAY 2

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G. Mitu Gulati
Duke University

COMMENTATOR:
Jon Baker
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