



## PRESENTER BIOGRAPHIES (In speaking order)

## Welcoming Remarks:

• Macarena Sáez is the Faculty Director of the Center for Human Rights & Humanitarian Law at American University Washington College of Law. She is a Fellow in the International Legal Studies Program and teaches in the areas of Gender and Sexuality, Family Law, Comparative Law, and International Human Rights. Her main areas of research are the role of sexual orientation and gender identity in family law, and comparative regulations of sex as an economic activity. Professor Sáez is a Founding Member of the Network of Latin American Scholars on Gender, Sexuality and Law (RED ALAS), an organization that provides training to law professors in Latin America on mainstreaming gender and sexuality perspectives in legal education. She was one of the lead counsels for the victims in the first case on sexual orientation before the Inter American System of Human Rights, Karen Atala and daughters v. Chile. She has taught feminist jurisprudence and human rights in different universities of Latin America and Europe, and has provided expert testimony on issues of sexual orientation and gender identity before the Constitutional Court of Colombia and the Inter-American Court of Human Rights. She holds a law degree from the University of Chile School of law and an LL.M. from Yale Law School.

#### Opening Remarks:

e Camille Nelson has long been an outstanding member of the legal community. Prior to her appointment as Dean of American University Washington College of Law, she was the first woman and person of color to serve as Dean of Suffolk University School of Law in Boston. She was also a Professor of Law at Hofstra Law School, a Dean's Scholar in Residence and Visiting Professor of Law at Washington University in St. Louis School of Law, and a Professor of Law at Saint Louis University School of Law. She has taught Contracts, Comparative Criminal Law, Transnational Law, Criminal Law and Procedure, and Professional Responsibility. Prior to entering academia, Dean Nelson was a litigator, and clerked for the Supreme Court of Canada. Dean Nelson is an expert on the intersection of critical race theory and cultural studies with particular emphasis on health law, criminal law and procedure, and comparative law. She has published many articles, chapters, and essays that have appeared in many publications, such as Berkeley Journal of Criminal Law, Yale Journal of Law & Feminism, New York University Review of Law & Social Change. She is currently a co-editor of the Journal of Legal Education of the Association of American Law Schools.

She was recently named among top 35 Women in Higher Education by *Diverse Issues in Higher Education* magazine, and the "Most Influential People in Legal Education" by *National Jurist*. Dean Nelson also received the Paul Robeson Distinguished Alumni Award from the Black Law Students Association of Columbia Law School in 2017. During her time at Saint Louis University School of Law, she won both Professor of the year and Faculty Excellence Award. Her many professional service engagements include serving on the President's Advisory Network on Global Legal Education, Law School Admissions Council, Avasant Foundation, Institute for the Advancement of the American Legal System, Executive and Steering Committees of the Association of American Law Schools, American Bar Association Center for Innovation, the Law School Survey of Student Engagement, and Overseers' Committee to Visit Harvard Law School. She also serves on the Advisory Board for Mina's List, an organization that "seeks to realize women's equal





and substantive representation in national governments around the world." Dean Nelson has previously been appointed to the Senator Warren and Senator Markey Advisory Committee on Massachusetts Judicial Nominations. Dean Nelson holds a B.A. with high distinction from University of Toronto, a magna cum laude law degree from University of Ottawa Faculty of Law, and an LL.M. from Columbia University.

### Panel 1: Prison Reform in the United States and Abroad

- William Hellerstein is Professor of Law Emeritus at Brooklyn Law School where, from 1985 to 2012, he taught Constitutional Law, Criminal Procedure and Evidence. He was also the founder and Director of the law school's Second Look Clinic, a non-DNA innocence project that successfully exonerated the wrongfully convicted. Prior to joining the faculty, Professor Hellerstein served for 16 years as the Attorney-in-Charge of the New York Legal Aid Society's Criminal Appeals Bureau where in 1971 he also founded the Society's Prisoners' Rights Project. He has argued numerous cases before the U.S. Supreme Court, the Second Circuit and New York's appellate courts. He also served for many years as Counsel for Pro Bono matters at Proskauer Rose LLP. He formerly served as Vice President of the New York City Bar Association, Chair of its Executive Committee, and its Council on Criminal Justice. He also co- chaired the Kaye Commission on the Future of Indigent Legal Services and for the past 10 years he has been a member of the New York State Justice Task Force. Professor Hellerstein has lectured widely and is the author of numerous articles on criminal law and prisoners' rights, including "Prison Conditions In Jamaica," a study for Human Rights Watch. The New York State Bar Association has honored him twice for "Outstanding Contribution to the Delivery of Defense Services" and "Outstanding Contribution to the Field of Criminal Law Education" and the New York Civil Liberties Union has honored him for his contribution to the cause of civil liberties.
- **Deborah LaBelle** is an attorney and writer whose advocacy focuses on the human rights of people in detention, the intersection of race and gender, and the rights of children in the criminal justice and education systems in the United States. In addition to her private practice, Ms. LaBelle is the Director of the Juvenile Life Without Parole Initiative for the ACLU of Michigan and Coordinator of Michigan's Juvenile Mitigation Access Committee. She has been lead counsel in over a dozen class actions that have successfully challenged policies affecting the treatment and sentencing of incarcerated men, women and children, utilizing a human rights framework. She has represented clients before the United States Supreme Court and in international forums with an integrated model for reform utilizing concurrent litigation, documentation and advocacy strategies. Her publications include *Basic Decency: Protecting the human rights of children* (2012) and *Ensuring Rights for All: Realizing Human Rights for Prisoners in Bringing Human Rights Home* (Praeger Press, 2008).
- Brenda Smith is the Senior Associate Dean for Faculty and Academic Affairs and professor at the American University Washington College of Law where she is the Co-Director of the Community Economic Development Law Clinic. Professor Smith is also the Director of the Project on Addressing Prison Rape. In 1993, Professor Smith was awarded the Kellogg National Leadership Fellowship and, in 1998, inducted into the D.C. Women's Hall of Fame for her work on behalf of low-income women and children. In November 2003, Professor Smith was appointed to the National Prison Rape Elimination Commission by the United States House of Representatives Minority Leader, Nancy Pelosi (D-CA). Prior to Professor Smith's faculty appointment at the Washington College of Law, she was the Senior Counsel for Economic





Security at the National Women's Law Center and Director of the Center's Women in Prison Project and Child and Family Support Project from 1988 to 1998. Professor Smith is a 1984 graduate of Georgetown University Law Center and 1980 a magna cum laude graduate of Spelman College. Professor Smith's scholarly work and writing focuses on the intersections of gender, crime and sexuality. She is widely published and has received the Emmalee C. Godsey Research Award and the Pauline Ruyle Moore Award for her scholarship. Publications include *Battering, Forgiveness and Redemption*, 12 AM. U. J. GENDER SOC. POLICY & L. 1, 921 (2003); *Rethinking Prison Sex: Self -Expression and Safety*, Symposium on Sexuality and the Law, 15 COLUM. J. GENDER & L. 185 (2006); *Sexual Abuse of Women in Prison: A Modern Corollary of Slavery*, 33 FORDHAM URB. L.J. 571 (2006); *Uncomfortable Places, Close Spaces: Theorizing Female Correctional Officers' Sexual Interactions with Men and Boys in Custody*, 59 UCLA L. REV. 1690 (2012); *Boys, Rape and Masculinity, Reclaiming Male Narrative of Sexual Violence in Custody*, 29 N.C. L. REV. 1559 (2015); and Stories of Teaching Race, Gender, and Class: A Narrative, 51 WASH. U. J. L. & POLICY 01 (2016); Commentary, Dothard v. Rawlinson, 433 U.S. 321 (1977), Feminist Judgments: Rewritten Opinions of the United States Supreme Court, Cambridge Press (2016).

• Juan E. Méndez (Moderator) is a Professor of Human Rights Law in Residence at the American University Washington College of Law, where he is Faculty Director of the Anti-Torture Initiative, a project of AUWCL's Center for Human Rights & Humanitarian Law. He was the UN Special Rapporteur on Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman and Degrading Treatment or Punishment between November 2010 and October 2016. He is the author (with Marjory Wentworth) of "Taking A Stand: The Evolution of Human Rights" (New York: Palgrave MacMillan, 2011). In 2017, Professor Méndez was elected Commissioner of the International Commission of Jurists, Geneva, Switzerland. In February 2017, he was named a member of the Selection Committee to appoint magistrates of the Special Jurisdiction for Peace and members of the Truth Commission set up as part of the Colombian Peace Accords, a task the Selection Committee successfully completed in December of that year. He was an advisor on crime prevention to the Prosecutor, International Criminal Court from 2009 to 2011 and Co-Chair of the Human Rights Institute of the International Bar Association in 2010 and 2011. Until May 2009 he was the President of the International Center for Transitional Justice (ICTJ). Concurrent with his duties at ICTJ, the Honorable Kofi Annan named Mr. Méndez his Special Advisor on the Prevention of Genocide from 2004 to 2007.

A native of Argentina, Mr. Méndez has dedicated his legal career to the defense of human rights. As a result of his representation of political prisoners, the Argentinean military dictatorship arrested him and subjected him to torture and administrative detention for more than a year. During this time, Amnesty International adopted him as a "Prisoner of Conscience." After his expulsion from his country in 1977, Mr. Méndez moved to the United States. He worked with Human Rights Watch on human rights issues in the western hemisphere from 1982 to 1994 and, between 1994 and 1996, as General Counsel. From 1996 to 1999, Mr. Méndez was the Executive Director of the Inter-American Institute of Human Rights in Costa Rica, and between October 1999 and May 2004 he was Professor of Law and Director of the Center for Civil and Human Rights at the University of Notre Dame. Between 2000 and 2003 he was a member of the Inter-American Commission on Human Rights of the Organization of American States, and served as its President in 2002. He is the recipient of several human rights awards: the Rafael Lemkin Award for contributions to the prevention of genocide by the Auschwitz Institute on Peace and Reconciliation (2010); the Goler T. Butcher Medal from the American Society of International Law (2010); Doctorates *Honoris Causa* from the University of Quebec (2006), the Universidad Nacional de La Plata, Argentina (2012) and





the National University of Mar del Plata, Argentina (2015); the inaugural "Monsignor Oscar A. Romero Award for Leadership in Service to Human Rights," (2000); the Letelier-Moffitt Human Rights Award of the Institute for Policy Studies (2014); and the Eclipse Award of the Center for Victims of Torture (2016).

# <u>Panel 2: Building a Human Rights Community in Israel: The Impact of the New Israel Fund Herman Schwartz</u> Fellowship

- **Dr. Tali Gal** is Senior Lecturer at the University of Haifa, where she is Head of the School of Criminology. Her scholarship integrates legal, criminological, and psycho-social knowledge and involves restorative justice, children's rights, and therapeutic jurisprudence. She is the author of the book *Child Victims and Restorative Justice: A Needs-Rights Model* (OUP, 2011), and co-editor (with Benedetta Faedi-Duramy) of *International Perspectives and Empirical Findings on Child Participation* (OUP, 2015). In Israel, she co-edited (with Uri Yanay) the book *Restorative Justice and Restorative Discourse in Israel* (Magnes). Prior to joining academia, Tali was the Legal Advisor of the Israel National Council for the Child where she founded the Child Victim Assistance Project. Tali is an alumnus of the NIF Israel Human Rights Fellowship at American University Washington College of Law and was one of Prof. Herman Schwartz' many Israeli students. For over 20 years she has a children's rights advocate and, later, an academic promoting the rights of children and youth, in particular in the context of criminal justice.
- Hassan Jabareen is a lawyer, the founder and General Director of Adalah The Legal Center for Arab Minority Rights in Israel, and holds a PhD in Law from Hebrew University. Over the last 25 years, he has litigated scores of landmark constitutional law cases regarding Palestinian citizens of Israel and international humanitarian law cases concerning Palestinians in the 1967 Occupied Territory before the Israeli Supreme Court. He is also an Adjunct Lecturer in the Faculty of Law at Tel Aviv University. He has received several awards for outstanding public interest lawyering and top human rights law prizes. Hassan was a Yale World Fellow in 2005-6, and a Senior Robina Law Fellow in 2012-13 at Yale Law School, and a research fellow at the Wissenschaftskolleg in Berlin in 2015-16.
- Dr. Tamar Morag is the Academic Director of the Child Advocacy Clinical program at the Hebrew University Law School and lectures at The Hebrew University Faculty of Law and at the College of Management Academic Studies (The COLMAN). She holds an LLB from the Hebrew University Law School, an LLM from American University Washington College of Law, and an LLM and SJD from the University of Michigan Law School. Her research and teaching interests are family law, child law clinical legal education and law and social change. She is the editor of "Children's Rights and Israeli Law" (Ramot- Tel Aviv University press) and published numerous articles in leading law reviews in Israel and abroad. Advocacy on behalf of children has been at the heart of Dr. Morag's career. She was the first Legal Director of the Israel National Council for the child and the founding director of its Center for the Child and the Law. Later she served as Vice Chair of the Israeli legislative committee appointed to reevaluate the entire body of Israeli child law in light of the UN Convention on the rights of the child. In this capacity she chaired its legislative subcommittees on Children and their Families and on Separate representation of Children.





- Dan Yakir has been active in ACRI since 1982, and has been officially working at ACRI since 1989. From 1989-1995, he served as a lawyer in ACRI's legal department, and since 1995 has served as ACRI's legal advisor. Over the years, Dan has led ACRI to unprecedented achievements in the promotion of human rights, in particular the right to equality, freedom of expression, human rights violations in the occupied territories and LGBTQI rights. The landmark cases and petitions in which Dan represented ACRI include the Kaadan case, cases against torture, marriage registration of gay couples married abroad, the cancellation of a British Mandate Press Ordinance, and more. He has received many awards for his work in advancing human rights, among them a special prize from Israel's LBGT Taskforce (2005), The Human Rights Defender prize from the New Israel Fund (2011), The Goldberg Prize from the Institute for International Education (IIE) in New York (2012), and the Yeshayahu Leibowitz Prize of Yesh Gvul (2018). Dan has a LL.B from the Faculty of Law at Tel Aviv University and an LL.M from American University Washington College of Law. During his secondary studies he worked as an intern at the ACLU of the District of Columbia and at the LGBTQ Project of the ACLU in New York.
- Ruti Kadish (Moderator) is J Street's National Director of Young Leadership. She received a BA in Women's Studies and a PhD in Near Eastern Studies from U.C. Berkeley. Before a post-doc in Israel Studies at the University of Maryland, College Park, Ruti was a Fellow at the Mandel School for Educational Leadership in Jerusalem where she designed progressive Israel curricula for informal Jewish education. Ruti worked as a consultant in diversity education, primarily assisting primary schools in becoming more welcoming environments for all different kinds of families, including LGBT headed families. From 2008-2017, Ruti worked for the New Israel Fund where she directed NIF's fellowship programs, including the Herman Schwartz Human Rights Law Fellowship. In 2017, Ruti directed Congressman Jamie Raskin's Democracy Summer Project, which works to educate, train, empower, and mobilize high school and college students to advance progressive social change and elect progressive leaders at all levels of government. She joined the J Street team in the fall of 2018.

## Luncheon Conversation: The Contributions of Professor Herman Schwartz to Human Rights and the Rule of Law

Claudio Grossman is Professor of Law, Dean Emeritus, and the Raymond Geraldson Scholar for International and Humanitarian Law at American University Washington College of Law. He was appointed Dean Emeritus in recognition of over two decades of commitment, dedication and distinction. Throughout his academic career, Professor Grossman has contributed to promoting the rule of law, human rights and legal education in both international and domestic organizations. Professor Grossman was elected to the International Law Commission in November 2016 for a five-year term, and previously served as member (2003-2015) and chairperson (four terms, from 2008-2015) of the United Nations Committee against Torture. On May 20, 2013, Professor Grossman was elected chair of the UN Human Rights Treaty Bodies for a one-year term. Grossman was also a member from (1994-2001) and twice Chair of the Inter-American Commission on Human Rights (IACHR). Grossman was the IACHR's first Special Rapporteur on the Rights of Women (1996-2000), as well as its Special Rapporteur on the Rights of Indigenous Populations (2000-2001). He presided or participated over crucial cases involving the transition to democracy and expansion of the rule of law in the Western hemisphere, including freedom of expression, amnesty laws, separation of powers, and vulnerable groups. Grossman's extensive litigation experience includes litigation before the International Court of Justice. He served as the Agent of Chile in a case brought by Bolivia (2013-2018) concerning the obligation to negotiate sovereign access to the Pacific





Ocean. Previously, he was an Advocate representing Chile in a case brought by Peru (2008-2014) concerning maritime delimitation. On behalf of international and non-governmental organizations, Grossman has also chaired or participated in missions to observe elections in Nepal, Nicaragua, Paraguay, Romania, Surinam, and the Middle East. Grossman has written extensively on human rights, international organizations, and international organizations. He is a Chilean lawyer, graduated from the University of Chile, and has a PhD in Law from the GU of Amsterdam in the Netherlands. Grossman has received numerous distinctions and awards for his contributions to education, international law, and human rights.

- Aryeh Neier is president emeritus of the Open Society Foundations. He was president from 1993 to 2012. Before that, he served for 12 years as executive director of Human Rights Watch, of which he was a founder in 1978. He worked 15 years at the American Civil Liberties Union, including eight years as national executive director. He served as an adjunct professor of law at New York University for more than a dozen years, and has also taught at Georgetown University Law School and the University of Siena (Italy). From 2012 to 2017, he served as Distinguished Visiting Professor at the Paris School of International Affairs of Sciences. Neier is a frequent contributor to the New York Review of Books, and has published in periodicals such as the New York Times Magazine, the New York Times Book Review, and Foreign Policy. For a dozen years he wrote a column on human rights for The Nation. He has contributed more than 350 op-ed articles in newspapers including the New York Times, the Washington Post, the Boston Globe, and the International Herald Tribune. Author of seven books, including his most recent, The International Human Rights Movement: A History (2012), Neier has also contributed chapters to more than 20 books. He has lectured at many leading universities in the United States and worldwide. He is the recipient of seven honorary degrees and numerous awards from such organizations as the American Bar Association, the International Bar Association and the Committee to Protect Journalists.
- Diane Orentlicher, (interviewer), Professor of International Law at American University Washington College of Law, is an internationally renowned expert on transitional justice, international criminal tribunals and other areas of public international law and policy. Her 1991 article in the Yale Law Journal, Settling Accounts, is widely considered a seminal text in the field of transitional justice. As United Nations Independent Expert on Combating Impunity, Professor Orentlicher updated the UN Set of Principles on Combating Impunity, a key soft law instrument in the field of transitional justice. Professor Orentlicher also helped pioneer a body of scholarship exploring the local impact of international war crimes tribunals. Building on her earlier work in this area, Professor Orentlicher published Some Kind of Justice: The ICTY's Impact in Bosnia and Serbia (Oxford University Press), in 2018.

### Panel 3: Perspectives on Voting Rights and Social Justice

• Kristen Clarke, President & Executive Director of the Lawyers' Committee for Civil Rights Under Law, leads one of the most important national civil rights organizations in the pursuit of equal justice. Under her leadership, the organization has been at the forefront of some of the nation's biggest racial justice problems. The Lawyers' Committee seeks to promote fair housing and community development, economic justice, voting rights, equal educational opportunity, criminal justice, and judicial diversity. Kristen received her A.B. from Harvard University and her J.D. from Columbia Law School.





- Dale Ho is the Director of the ACLU's Voting Rights Project, and supervises the ACLU's voting rights litigation and advocacy work nationwide. Dale has active cases in over a dozen states throughout the country. His cases have included: Department of Commerce v. New York (challenging the inclusion of a citizenship question on the Census, which he argued in the U.S. Supreme Court); Fish v. Kobach (challenging documentation requirements for voter registration in Kansas); and League of Women Voters of NC v. North Carolina (challenging cutbacks to early voting and the elimination of same-day registration in North Carolina). Dale has testified on election law issues before the United States Congress, and in various state legislatures around the country. He is also an adjunct clinical professor of law at NYU School of Law. Dale is a frequent commentator on voting rights issues, appearing on television programs including The Rachel Maddow Show; Hardball with Chris Matthews; and All-In with Chris Hayes; has written opinion pieces for the New York Times; and is widely published on voting rights in law reviews including the Yale Law Journal Forum and the Harvard Civil Rights-Civil Liberties Law Review. In 2017, Dale was named one of the best Asian American Lawyers under 40 by the National Asian Pacific American Bar Association. Prior to joining the ACLU, Dale was Assistant Counsel at the NAACP Legal Defense Fund; an associate at Fried, Frank, Harris, Shriver & Jacobson LLP; and a judicial law clerk, first to Judge Barbara S. Jones, U.S. District Court for the Southern District of New York, and then to Judge Robert Smith, New York Court of Appeals. He is a graduate of Yale Law School and Princeton University.
- Allison Riggs leads the voting rights program at the Southern Coalition for Social Justice, an organization she joined in 2009. Her voting rights work has been focused on fighting for fair redistricting plans, fighting against voter suppression, and advocating for electoral reforms that would expand access to voting. She has litigated voting rights and redistricting cases on behalf of grassroots groups like state NAACP Conferences, the A. Philip Randolph Institute, and the League of Women Voters in states such as Texas, Florida, Virginia and North Carolina. In 2018, she argued the Texas redistricting case in the United States Supreme Court, and in 2019, she argued the North Carolina congressional partisan gerrymandering case at the United States Supreme Court. Allison works closely with grassroots organizations and communities of color as they seek to advance their political and civil rights. She received her undergraduate, Master's Degree and J.D. from the University of Florida.
- William Yeomans (Moderator) served 24 years in the Civil Rights Division of the U.S. Department of Justice, where he litigated and supervised civil cases involving voting rights, housing and employment discrimination, school desegregation, prison conditions, and disability rights, as well as criminal prosecutions of police officers and perpetrators of hate crimes. He held positions as acting Assistant Attorney General, Chief of Staff, Deputy Assistant Attorney General, Counsel to the Assistant Attorney General, and trial attorney. He became the first Director of Programs at the American Constitution Society in 2005 before serving three years as Sen. Edward M. Kennedy's Chief Counsel on the Senate Judiciary Committee. From 2009 through July 2017, he was a Fellow in Law and Government at the American University Washington College of Law, where he taught civil rights, legislation, and constitutional law. He is currently a Lecturer in Law at Columbia Law School and is a Senior Fellow at the Alliance for Justice, where he previously served as Legal Director, and is the author of the blog Yeomans Work. Mr. Yeomans' writing has appeared in popular and academic publications, including the Washington Post, Politico, Reuters Opinion, the New York Times, Time, The Nation, The Hill, and the National Law Journal. He has





been quoted widely in print and has appeared as an expert commentator on electronic media, including NBC, MSNBC, CNN, the BBC, and NPR.

## Panel 4: Comparative Constitutionalism: From Theory to Practice

Mark Ellis - As Executive Director of the International Bar Association (IBA) Mark Ellis leads the foremost international organization of bar associations, law firms and individual lawyers in the world. The IBA is comprised of more than 190 national bar associations, major international law firms and 80,000 individual members from around the world. Prior to joining the IBA, he spent ten years as the first Executive Director of the Central European and Eurasian Law Initiative (CEELI), a project of the American Bar Association (ABA). Providing technical legal assistance to twenty-eight countries in Central Europe and the former Soviet Union, and to the International Criminal Tribunal for the Former Yugoslavia (ICTY) in The Hague, CEELI remains one of the most extensive international pro bono legal assistance project ever undertaken by the US legal community. He served as Legal Advisor to the Independent International Commission on Kosovo, chaired by Justice Richard J. Goldstone and was appointed by OSCE to advise on the creation of Serbia's War Crimes Tribunal. He was actively involved with the Iraqi High Tribunal and also acted as legal consultant to the defense team of Nuon Chea at the Cambodian War Crimes Tribunal (ECCC). In 2013, Dr Ellis was admitted to the List of Assistants to Counsel of the International Criminal Court. In 2015, he was appointed to the UN created Advisory Panel on Matters Relating to Defence Counsel of the Mechanism for International Criminal Tribunals (previously to the ICTY and ICTR 2006-2012). Dr. Ellis was a long-time consultant to The World Bank on investment policies in Central and Eastern Europe and the former Soviet Union, and was an Adjunct Professor at The Catholic University of America, Columbus School of Law. He is presently an Adjunct Professor at The Florida State University College of Law.

Twice a Fulbright Scholar at the Economic Institute in Zagreb, Croatia, he earned his J.D. and B.S. (Economics) degrees from Florida State University and his PhD in Law from King's College, London. He is the recipient of two research grants to the European Union and the Institut d'Etudes Européennes in Brussels, Belgium focusing on the law and institutions of the European Union. A frequent speaker and media commentator on international legal issues, he has regularly appeared on CNN International, Al Jazeera, and BBC. Mark has published extensively in the areas of international humanitarian law, war crimes tribunals, and the development of the rule of law and his op-eds have appeared in The New York Times, The International Herald Tribune, The Huffington Post and The London Times. His latest publication Justice and Diplomacy: Resolving Contradictions in Diplomatic Practice and International Humanitarian Law (with Doutriaux and Ryback) was published by Cambridge University Press. Dr. Ellis is a member of the Council of Foreign Relations and serves on a number of boards, including the DLA Piper 'New Perimeter' pro bono project, the Leiden University ICC Moot Court Competition, South African Litigation Center (SALC), the Florida State University Foundation and the Robert F. Kennedy Human Rights UK. He serves on the editorial board for The Hague Journal on the Rule of Law. He is the co-recipient of the American Bar Association's World Order under Law Award, the recipient of Florida State University's Distinguished Graduate Award and Torch Award and the University's College of Social Sciences & Public Policy Distinguished Alumni Award. In 2012, he was awarded the Degree of Doctors of Laws (LL.D), honoris causa, from The College of Law of England and Wales. Mark has been recognized by the Lawyer Magazine (2010) as one of the UK's top 5 human rights lawyers.





- Vicki Jackson, Thurgood Marshall Professor of Constitutional Law at Harvard, teaches and writes on U.S. constitutional law, comparative constitutional law, federalism, courts and judicial independence, proportionality review, methodological challenges in comparative constitutional law, the normative obligations of elected representatives, gender equality, election law, free speech, justiciability, sovereign immunity, and related topics. She is the author of *Constitutional Engagement in a Transnational Era* (2010), and coauthor, with Mark Tushnet, of *Comparative Constitutional Law* (3d ed. 2014). Her other books include *Federalism* (with Susan Low Bloch) (2013), *Inside the Supreme Court: The Institution and Its Procedures* (2d ed., 2008) (with Susan Low Bloch and Thomas G. Krattenmaker), and several edited collections, including *Proportionality: New Frontiers, New Challenges* (2017) (with Mark Tushnet), *Constitutionalism Across Borders in the Struggle Against Terrorism* (2016) (with Federico Fabbrini), *Federal Courts Stories* (2010) (with Judith Resnik), and *Defining the Field of Constitutional Law* (2002) (with Mark Tushnet). She has served on the Executive Committee of the Association of American Law Schools, the Executive Committee of the International Association of Constitutional Law, the Board of Managerial Trustees of the International Association of Women Judges, and on the D.C. Bar Board of Governors. She has also practiced law, in private practice and as a government lawyer.
- Dick Howard is the White Burkett Miller Professor of Law and Public Affairs at the University of Virginia. Born and raised in Richmond, Virginia, Professor Howard is a graduate of the University of Richmond and received his law degree from the University of Virginia. He was a Rhodes Scholar at Oxford University, where he read philosophy, politics, and economics. After graduating from law school, he was a law clerk to Mr. Justice Hugo L. Black of the Supreme Court of the United States. Active in public affairs, Professor Howard was executive director of the commission that wrote Virginia's new Constitution and directed the successful referendum campaign for ratification of that constitution. He has been counsel to the General Assembly of Virginia and a consultant to state and federal bodies, including the United States Senate Judiciary Committee. From 1982 to 1986 he served as Counselor to the Governor of Virginia, and he chaired Virginia's Commission on the Bicentennial of the United States Constitution. Professor Howard has been twice a fellow of the Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars, in Washington, D.C. His recognitions have included election as president of the Virginia Academy of Laureates and his having received the University of Virginia's Distinguished Professor Award for excellence in teaching. James Madison University, the University of Richmond, Campbell University, the College of William and Mary, and Wake Forest University have conferred upon him the honorary degree of Doctor of Laws. In the fall of 2001, he was the first Distinguished Visiting Scholar in Residence at Rhodes House, Oxford. Often consulted by constitutional draftsmen in other states and abroad, Professor Howard has compared notes with revisers at work on new constitutions in such places as Brazil, Hong Kong, the Philippines, Hungary, Czechoslovakia, Poland, Romania, Russia, Albania, Malawi, South Africa, and Zimbabwe. In 1996, the Union of Czech Lawyers, citing Professor Howard's "promotion of the idea of a civil society in Central Europe," awarded him their Randa Medal – the first time this honor has been conferred upon anyone but a Czech citizen. In 2004, the Greater Richmond Chapter of the World Affairs Council conferred on him their George C. Marshall Award in International Law and Diplomacy. The National Constitution Center and the University of Pennsylvania Law School appointed Professor Howard as their visiting scholar for 2009-10, the theme for the year being global constitutionalism. In January 1994, Washingtonian magazine named Professor Howard as "one of the most respected educators in the nation." In 2007, the Library of Virginia and the Richmond Times-Dispatch included Professor Howard on their list of the "greatest





Virginians" of the 20th century. In 2013 the University of Virginia conferred on Professor Howard its Thomas Jefferson Award—the highest honor the University confers upon a member of the faculty.

Susan D. Carle (Moderator) is Vice Dean and Professor of Law at the American University of Washington College of Law. Professor Carle teaches and writes about civil rights legal history, employment discrimination, labor and employment law, legal ethics, and the history and sociology of the legal profession. She is the author of Defining the Struggle: National Organizing for Racial Justice, 1880-1915, published by Oxford University Press in 2013. In 2014 she received the Organization of American Historians' Liberty Legacy Award for "the author of the best book by a historian on the civil rights struggle from the beginnings of the nation to the present." She has published numerous articles examining lawyers' conceptions of their professional obligations to further the public interest in journals including the Cornell Law Review, Fordham Law Journal, Florida Law Review, Harvard Journal of Gender and the Law, American University Law Review, and Stanford Journal of Civil Rights and Civil Liberties. She is also editor of Lawyers' Ethics and the Pursuit of Social Justice (NYU Press Critical America Series 2005), which collects work in the emerging field of critical legal ethics scholarship. She served as the first Associate Dean for Scholarship and as chair of the American Association of Law Schools Section on Professional Responsibility and its Professional Development Committee, and is a member of the legal ethics advisory committee of the National Disability Rights Network. Professor Carle attended Yale Law School, where she served as an editor of The Yale Law Journal. After graduation she clerked on the United States Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit and then worked as an appellate attorney in the Civil Rights Division of the U.S. Department of Justice and at the leading union-side labor and employment law firm of Bredhoff & Kaiser. She was W.M. Keck Fellow in Legal Ethics at Georgetown University Law Center from 1995-97, and in 2006 served as Visiting Professor of Law at the Harvard Law School.

## **Closing Remarks:**

Fernando Laguarda is Faculty Director of the Program on Law and Government at the American University
Washington College of Law. In this role, he leads a team of faculty and professional colleagues who
distinguish AUWCL as a vibrant center of critical thinking and discourse at the intersection of domestic
law, government, and public policy. Professor Laguarda teaches Antitrust, Legislation, Legal Ethics, and
Introduction to Public Law.