



Agenda

Research Roundtable on Law and the Allocation of Risk

Thursday, October 9 – Saturday, October 11, 2025

Thursday, October 9

6:30 pm **Arrival and Opening Reception**

7:15 pm **Opening Dinner**

Friday, October 10

7:00 – 7:50 am **Breakfast**

8:00 – 9:00 am **Paper 1:** *Collective Coverage: How Group Homeowners Insurance Could Foster Climate Risk Adaptation and Resilience*

Author:

Daniel Schwarcz, Fredrikson & Byron Professor of Law, University of Minnesota Law School

Commentators:

Erin Meyers Matsick, Assistant Professor of Law, George Mason University Antonin Scalia Law School

Travis Pantin, Associate Professor of Law, University of Connecticut School of Law

9:00 – 9:15 am **Break**

9:15 – 10:15 am **Paper 2:** *Taxation as Public Hedging*

Author:

Mirit Eyal-Cohen, Joseph D. Peeler Professor of Law, University of Alabama School of Law

Commentators:

Robert B. Thompson, Peter P. Weidenbruch Jr. Professor of Business Law, Georgetown University Law Center

Jeff Gordon, Assistant Professor of Law, Vanderbilt University Law School

10:15 – 10:30 am **Break**

10:30 – 11:30 am **Paper 3:** *Allocation of Risk in Corporate Law*

Author:

Robert B. Thompson, Peter P. Weidenbruch Jr. Professor of Business Law,
Georgetown University Law Center

Commentators:

Nathan Atkinson, Assistant Professor of Law, University of Wisconsin Law School
Heidi Mandanis Schooner, Visiting Professor of Law, George Mason University
Antonin Scalia Law School

11:30 am – 12:00 pm

Lunch

12:00 – 1:00 pm

Paper 4: *Overcoming Judgement-Proofness: The Law & Economics of Insuring and Mitigating AI Risk*

Author:

Gabriel Weil, Associate Professor of Law, Touro University Jacob D. Fuchsberg
Law Center; Non-Resident Senior Fellow, Institute for Law & AI

Commentators:

Mirit Eyal-Cohen, Joseph D. Peeler Professor of Law, University of Alabama
School of Law
Yonathan Arbel, William Alfred Rose Professor of Law and Director, AI Legal Studies
Initiative, University of Alabama School of Law

1:00 – 1:15 pm

Break

1:15 – 2:15 pm

Paper 5: *Mass Criminalization and Government Liability Exceptionalism*

Author:

Erin Meyers Matsick, Assistant Professor of Law, George Mason University
Antonin Scalia Law School

Commentators:

Arden Rowell, Professor of Law, University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign College of Law
Kyle D. Logue, Douglas A. Kahn Collegiate Professor of Law, University of Michigan
Law School

2:15 pm

Adjourn for the day

Saturday, October 11

7:00 – 7:50 am

Breakfast

8:00 – 9:00 am

Paper 6: *Leverage as Leverage in Corporate Misconduct: Collateral Harms and Prosecutorial Reticence*

Author:

Nathan Atkinson, Assistant Professor of Law, University of Wisconsin Law School

Commentators:

Clayton J. Masterman, Associate Professor of Law, University at Buffalo School of Law

Yijia Lu, Assistant Professor of Law, George Mason University Antonin Scalia Law School

9:00 – 9:15 am

Break

9:15 – 10:15 am

Paper 7: *Efficient Catastrophe? Regulating Extreme Risks and Miraculous Upsides: The Case of Advanced Nuclear Reactors*

Author:

Arden Rowell, Professor of Law, University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign College of Law

Commentators:

Daniel Schwarcz, Fredrikson & Byron Professor of Law, University of Minnesota Law School

Andrew H. Stawasz, Michigan Faculty Fellow, University of Michigan Law School

10:15 – 10:30 am

Break

10:30 – 11:30 am

Paper 8: *Ambiguity Aversion and the Loss of Chance Doctrine*

Author:

Clayton J. Masterman, Associate Professor of Law, University at Buffalo School of Law

Commentators:

Gabriel Weil, Associate Professor of Law, Touro University Jacob D. Fuchsberg Law Center; Non-Resident Senior Fellow, Institute for Law & AI

Elissa Philip Gentry, Associate Professor of Law, Arizona State University Sandra Day O'Connor College of Law

11:30 am

Program Adjourns

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