



Agenda
Conrad Orlando Colloquium:
Judge Douglas H. Ginsburg
Judicial Colloquium Series

Sunday, November 9 through
Saturday, November 15, 2025

Agenda

Sunday, November 9

6:00 pm Registration

6:00 – 7:00 pm Opening Reception

7:00 – 9:30 pm Opening Dinner

Welcome Remarks

History of the Law & Economics Center

Henry N. Butler, Henry G. Manne Chair in Law and Economics and Chairman, Law & Economics Center, George Mason University Antonin Scalia Law School

Reading Assignment:

Henry G. Manne, *An Intellectual History of the George Mason University School of Law, L. & ECON. CTR.* (1993).

Monday, November 10

7:00 – 7:50 am Breakfast

8:00 – 9:15 am Session 1: The Appropriate Use of Statistics in Causation Analysis

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

Reading Assignment:

Elissa Philip Gentry, *Damned Causation*, 54 ARIZ. ST. L. J. 419 (2022).

9:15 – 9:30 am Break

9:30 – 10:45 am Session 2: Damage Calculation for Fertility Care Harms | Gentry

Reading Assignment:

Elissa Philip Gentry, Mackenzi Barrett, & W. Kip Viscusi, *Emryonic Option-Hood*, 79 SMU L. REV. 13-20, 35-56 (forthcoming 2026).

10:45 – 11:00 am Break

11:00 am – 12:15 pm Session 3: LLMs and the Common Law

Ben Johnson, Professor of Law, University of Florida Levin College of Law

Reading Assignment:

Lizzie Turner, *Machine Learning: A Primer*, MEDIUM (May 27, 2018)

12:15 pm

Program Adjourns for Day

Tuesday, November 11

7:00 – 7:50 am

Breakfast

8:00 – 9:15 am

Session 4: How the Supreme Court Broke the Congress | Johnson

Reading Assignment:

Ben Johnson, *How the Supreme Court Became (and Maybe Made Congress Dysfunctional)*, (Nov. 3, 2025).

9:15 – 9:30 am

Break

9:30 – 10:45 am

Session 5: Shareholders and Stakeholders

Robert T. Miller, Professor of Law and Allison and Dorothy Rouse Chair in Law, George Mason University Antonin Scalia Law School

Reading Assignments:

Milton Friedman, *A Friedman doctrine – The Social Responsibility of Business Is to Increase Its Profits*, N.Y. TIMES, Sept. 13, 1970, at p. 17.

Robert T. Miller, *Delaware Law Requires Directors to Manage the Corporation for the Benefit of its Stockholders and the Absurdity of Denying It: Reflections on Professor Bainbridge's Why We Should Keep Teaching Dodge v. Ford Motor Co.* 48 J. OF CORP. L. 32, 59 (2023).

James J. Hanks Jr., *Non-Stockholder Constituency Statutes: An Idea Whose Time Should Have Never Come*, INSIGHTS: DIRECTORS' LIAB. (Dec. 1989).

R. EDWARD FREEMAN, *Stakeholder Theory of the Modern Corporation*, in THE CORPORATION AND ITS STAKEHOLDERS 38-48 (Max Clarkson ed. 1998).

John Hasnas, *Whither Stakeholder Theory? A Guide for the Perplexed Revisited*, 112 J. OF BUS. ETHICS 48 (2013).

Suggested Reading Assignment:

Robert T. Miller, *How Would Directors Make Business Decisions Under Stakeholder Model*, 77 THE BUS. LAW. 773 (2022).

10:45 – 11:00 am

Break

11:00 am – 12:15 pm

Session 6: Interpreting Sophisticated Commercial Agreements | Miller

Reading Assignments:

In re IBP, Inc. v. Tyson Foods, Inc. & Lasso Acquisition Corp., 789 A.2d 14 (2001).

Akorn Inc. v. Fresenius Kabi AG et. al., No. 2018-0300 2018 WL 4719347 at *1 (Oct. 1, 2018).

Chicago Bridge & Iron v. Westinghouse, Del., 166 A.3d 612 (2017).

Northern Data AG v. Riot Platforms, Inc., No. 2023-0650 WL 1661855 at *1 (June 2, 2025).

12:15 – 5:30 pm

Afternoon Study Break

5:30 – 7:00 pm

Fireside Chat: Interview of Judge Jennifer M. Perkins by Judge Douglas H. Ginsburg

Douglas H. Ginsburg, Judge, U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit; Professor of Law, George Mason University Antonin Scalia Law School

Wednesday, November 12

7:00 – 7:50 am **Breakfast**

8:00 – 9:15 am **Session 7: The Demise of Delaware’s Dominance in Corporate Chartering? | Miller**

Reading Assignments:

Beam ex Rel. M. Stewart Living v. Stewart, Del., 845 A.2d 1040 (2004).

Tornetta v. Musk, Del.Ch., 310 A.3d 430 (2024).

In re Match Group, Inc., Del., 315 A.3d 446 (2024).

Overview of the DGCL’s Newly-Enacted Safe Harbor Procedures and Books and Records Regime, RICHARD, LAYTON & FINGER (Apr. 2, 2025).

In re Sunstates Corp., Del.Ch., 788 A.2d 530 (2001).

Chalker Energy v. Le Norman Operating, 595 S.W.3d 688 (Tex. 2020).

Suggested Reading Assignment:

Roberta Romano, *The Market for Corporate Law Redux* (Eur. Corp. Governance Inst., Working Paper No. 270, 2014).

9:15 – 9:30 am **Break**

9:30 – 10:45 am **Session 8: Overview of Accounting and Financial Statements**

Glenn M. Pfeiffer, Warren and Doris Uehlinger Professor of Business, George L. Argyros School of Business and Economics, Chapman University

Reading Assignments:

U.S. SEC. & EXCH. COMM’N, *BEGINNERS’ GUIDE TO FINANCIAL STATEMENT* (2007).

Basic understanding of a company’s financial statements, PWC (Sept. 2020).

10:45 – 11:00 am **Break**

11:00 am – 12:15 pm **Session 9: Financial Analysis and Market Efficiency | Pfeiffer**

Reading Assignment:

Shengle Lin, Glenn Pfeiffer & David Porter, *Accounting Standards and Financial Market Stability: An Experimental Examination*, 127 *ECON. J.* 546 (2017).

12:15 pm **Program Adjourns for Day**

Thursday, November 13

7:00 – 7:50 am **Breakfast**

8:00 – 9:15 am **Session 10: Taxes, Tariffs, and Transfer Prices | Pfeiffer**

Reading Assignments:

Ken Milani, Steven C. Wrappe & Justin Grocock, *How Do Trump Tariffs 2.0 Impact Transfer Pricing and Vice Versa*, *BLOOMBERG TAX: TAX MGMT. INT’L* (Aug. 21, 2025 at 1:30 am PDT).

Glenn Pfeiffer, Michelle Hanlon, Susan Kulp & Amie Dragoo, *Chapter 23: Segment Reporting, Transfer Pricing, and Balanced Scorecard*, in *Financial and Managerial Accounting for Decision Makers* 23-9 – 23-13 (2024).

9:15 – 9:30 am **Break**

9:30 – 10:45 am **Session 11: Crime and Behavioral Economics**

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

Reading Assignment:

RICHARD H. MCADAMS & THOMAS S. ULEN, *Chapter 16: Behavioral criminal law and economics*, in *ENCYCLOPEDIA OF LAW AND ECONOMICS*, 403-36 (2nd ed. 2009).

10:45 – 11:00 am **Break**

11:00 am – 12:15 pm **Session 12: Disney v. Democracy?: Lessons in Public Choice**

Donald J. Kochan, Professor of Law and Executive Director, Law & Economics Center, George Mason University Antonin Scalia Law School

Reading Assignment:

Donald J. Kochan, *Disney v. Democracy? A Public Choice and Good Governance Analysis of Florida's Reedy Creek Improvement Act of 1967 and Its Resulting Regime*, 19 VA. L. & BUS. REV. 51 (2025).

12:15 – 5:30 pm **Afternoon Study Break**

5:30 – 7:00 pm **Fireside Chat: Interview of William B. Lytton III by Henry N. Butler**, Plumeria CD

Henry N. Butler, Henry G. Manne Chair in Law and Economics and Chairman, Law & Economics Center, George Mason University Antonin Scalia Law School

William B. Lytton III, Former Assistant U.S. Attorney and Deputy Special Counselor to President Ronald Reagan

Friday, November 14

7:30 – 8:45 am **Breakfast**

9:00 – 9:45 am **Fireside Chat: Interview of Justice Meredith L. Sasso by Judge Douglas H. Ginsburg**, Plumeria C

Douglas H. Ginsburg, Judge, U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit; Professor of Law, George Mason University Antonin Scalia Law School

Meredith L. Sasso, Justice, Supreme Court of Florida

9:45 – 10:15 am **Break**

10:15 – 11:30 am **Session 13: Rational Choice Interpretation | Johnson**

Reading Assignment:

D. Warner North, *A Tutorial Introduction to Decision Theory*, 4 TRANSACTIONS ON SYS. SCI. & CYBERNETICS 200 (1968).

11:30 – 11:45 am **Break**

11:45 am – 1:00 pm **Session 14: Potential Liability Associated with the New “n-of-1” Precision Medicine | Gentry**

Reading Assignment:

Gina Kolata, *Scientists Designed a Drug for Just One Patient. Her Name Is Mila*. N.Y. TIMES (Oct. 9, 2019).

1:00 – 6:45 pm **Afternoon Break**

6:45 – 9:00 pm **Closing Reception and Dinner**

Saturday, November 15

Travel day; participants depart at their leisure