



LAW POLITICS AND THE MEDIA

LECTURE SERIES

4:00 p.m., Dineen Hall
Sonkin Seminar Room 342

The American judicial system today operates in a complex environment of legal principle, political pressure, and media coverage. The separate elements of this complex environment are typically studied by different groups of individuals working from different perspectives. Law faculty tend to focus on legal principle; political scientists examine the influence of politics; and scholars of public communication assess the media. The goal of this lecture series is to examine the court system and its environment as a single, integrated subject of study.

January 28th

"Squaring the Right of Publicity with the First Amendment"

Paul M. Smith, Partner, Jenner & Block

February 18th

"How the Media Covers High Profile Criminal Cases: Do the Facts Really Matter?"

William J. Fitzpatrick, District Attorney, Onondaga County

February 25th

"Protecting Confidential Sources from Government Surveillance: Making 'Em Work for It"

Toni Locy, author and former Justice Department reporter, *USA Today*

March 18th

"Judicial Elections and Judging"

Hon. Rosemary S. Pooler, United States Circuit Judge, United States Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit

March 25th

"Religion and Politics v. Church and State: The Establishment Clause in the American Media"

Timothy A. Byrnes, Professor of Political Science, Colgate University

April 1st

"Advocacy in the Age of Obama and Citizens United"

Bert Kaufman, Senior Adviser, Office of the Secretary, Office of Business Liaison, Department of Commerce

April 8th

"Two Nations, a Family's Pain, a Question of Law: The Onondaga Nation and the Birth of Syracuse"

Sean Kirst, Columnist, *Syracuse Post-Standard/Syracuse Media Group*

April 15th

"Advertising Self-Regulation: An Industry Perspective"

Chryse Spathas, Vice President, Broadcast Standards and Practices, ABC Inc.

