

Poverty States: Federalism, Rights, and State Anti-Poverty Efforts

March 23-24, 2018 – American University Washington College of Law – Washington, D.C.



Draft Schedule:

Friday March 23, 2018

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| 9:30-10:00 am | Registration (Outside Claudio Grossman Hall, Yuma Building T Level)
– with light refreshments |
| 10:00-10:30 am | Welcome (Ezra Rosser) and Introduction (Peter Edelman) |
| 10:30-11:50 am | Session I |

Health Panel

- Emily G. Chumas, Sara J. Dickson & Jennifer L. Herbst (Quinnipiac): State Medicaid Provider Taxes as a Possible Tool for Drawing Down Federal Medicaid Funds for Social Determinants of Health
- Brietta Clark (Loyola Los Angeles): Negotiating Federalism in Medicaid: Does State Flexibility Impede or Advance Anti-Poverty Goals?

- Lindsay Wiley (American): Medicaid-for-All: Toward a More Tightly Knit Social Safety Net
- Yael Cannon (New Mexico & Georgetown): Health Care Reform

Housing Panel

- Davida Finger (Loyola New Orleans): Housing Justice in the Greater New Orleans Area
- Lorna Fox O'Mahony & Marc Roark (Savanah): Squatters, State Responsiveness, and Resilience
- Emily Benfer (Yale) & Allyson Gold (Alabama): There's No Place Like Home: Reshaping Community Interventions and Policies to Eliminate Environmental Hazards and Improve Population Health for Low-Income and Minority Communities

12:00-1:00 pm Lunch Keynote (Francis Fox Piven)

1:00-1:40 pm Session II

Constructing Contemporary Social Justice Law Practices Panel

- Luz Herrera (Texas A&M)
- Louise Trubek (Wisconsin)

1:50-3:10 pm Session III

Criminal Justice Panel

- Wendy A. Bach (Tennessee): Prosecuting Poverty
- Courtney Anderson (Georgia State): Opioids are the New Black
- Noah Zatz (UCLA): From the New Debtors Prisons to the New Peonage: Criminal Justice Debt as a Pathway to Forced Labor

- Janet Moore (Cincinnati): Community-Engaged Research and Criminal Legal Reform

Courts Panel

- Andrew Hammond (Sargent Shriver National Center on Poverty Law): Pleading Poverty in Federal Court: Administering the *In Forma Pauperis* Statute
- Llezlie Coleman (American): Wage Theft in Lawless Courts
- Julie Nice (Univ. of San Francisco): Actual Universal Access to Justice? Assessing One Bold Local Innovation
- Jason Parkin (Pace): Dialogic Due Process

3:20-4:50 pm

Session IV

Making Families Pay: Juvenile Justice Costs, Fines & Fees Panel

- Jeff Selbin (Berkeley)
- Colleen Shanahan (Temple)
- Jessica Feierman (Juvenile Law Center)
- Lauren Fine (Youth Sentencing & Reentry Project)
- Kate Weisburd (East Bay Community Law Center)
- Jessica Bartholow (Western Center on Law & Poverty):

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Saturday March 24, 2018

9:30-10:30 am Session V

Families Panel

- Shanta Trivedi (Baltimore): The Invisible Impact: Considering the Harm of Removal
- Carolyn Miller (Colorado-Denver): Poverty Discrimination and The Child Welfare System: A Closer Look at the Realities of Disproportionate Targeting by the Department of Human Services
- Jill C. Engle (Penn State): Improving Outcomes in Child Poverty and Wellness Post-Recession & Trump: Infusing Empathy into Law

A Trifold View of the Cost of Criminal Misdemeanor Charges Panel

- Margo Lindauer (Northeastern)
- Amber Baylor (Texas A&M)
- Emily Gold LaGratta (Center for Court Innovation)

10:40 am-12:00 pm Session VI

Welfare Panel

- Luca Martino Levi (Harvard): The Work Ethic and Social Legislation in the United States: A Historical Perspective
- Michele Gilman (Baltimore): Welfare Creep: The Republican and Red State Expansion of Punitive Public Benefits Policies
- Bradley L. Hardy (American) & Rhucha Samudra (SUNY Brookport): Variation Across States in The Work-Based Safety Net Since 1996

12:00-1:00 pm Keynote Speech (Mark Bergel)

1:00-1:40 pm Session VII

Tax Panel

- Michelle Layser (Georgetown): Neighborhood Inequality and the Tax Law
- Francine J. Lipman (UNLV): State Earned Income Tax Credits: The Good, The Bad, and the Ugly?

Property Panel

- Vanita Snow (District of Columbia): The Missing Bootstrap: The Transportation Gap and State Block Grants
- Yxta Murray (Loyola Los Angeles): The Legal Thought of Boyle Heights

1:50-2:50 pm Session VIII

Structure Panel

- David Super (Georgetown): Food Stamp Program
- Marc-Tizoc González (St. Thomas): Work or Starve: The Criminalization of Hungry and Impoverished People under Neoliberal Austerity, Insecurity, and Precarity
- Cori Alonso-Yoder (American): TBD

Big Picture Panel

- Kenta Tsuda (EarthJustice): Making Bureaucracies Think Distributively: Re-Legitimizing the Administrative State with “Action-Forcing” Distributional Review
- David Orentlicher (UNLV): Economic Inequality and College Admissions Policies
- Sara Rankin (Seattle): Defining Poverty

3:00-4:20 pm Session IX

State and Local Panel

- Lisa Pruitt (Davis): State Efforts to Address Rural Poverty
- Clare Pastore (USC): The California Experiment
- Wendy Bach (Tennessee): State Criminalization of Poverty
- Daniel Hatcher (Baltimore): Diverting Funds from the Poor

4:20-4:30 pm Closing Remarks

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