



Wednesday, March 24 - Friday, March 26, 2021

Federal Judicial Clerkship Training Academy

AGENDA

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 24

5:00 – 7:00 p.m.

WELCOME RECEPTION

THURSDAY, MARCH 25

8:15 a.m.

REGISTRATION AND BREAKFAST

9:00 a.m. – 11:45 a.m.

PLENARY SESSION I – TEXTUALISM AND CANONS OF
STATUTORY CONSTRUCTION

Josh Blackman *(confirmed)*
Professor of Law, South Texas College of Law, Houston

11:45 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

BREAK

12:15– 2:15 p.m.

LUNCHEON AND DISCUSSION

CLERKSHIP AND CAREER ADVICE:
A CONVERSATION WITH TWO APPELLATE JUDGES

The Honorable Stuart Kyle Duncan *(confirmed)*
Circuit Judge, U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit

The Honorable Greg Katas *(confirmed)*
Circuit Judge, U.S. Court of Appeals for the DC Circuit

Moderator: John Malcolm – The Heritage Foundation

2:15 – 2:30 p.m.

BREAK

2:30 – 4:45 p.m.

PLENARY SESSION II – AN INTRODUCTION TO CORPUS LINGUISTICS:
MAKING ORIGINALISM EMPIRICAL

The Honorable Thomas Rex Lee *(confirmed)*
Associate Chief Justice, Utah Supreme Court

James Heilpern *(confirmed)*
Associate, Schaerr Jaffe LLP

4:45 – 5:45 p.m.

PRE-LECTURE COCKTAIL RECEPTION

6:00 – 7:00 p.m.

A DEBATE: ORIGINALISM VS. COMMON GOOD ORIGINALISM

John McGinnis (*confirmed*)

George C. Dix Professor in Constitutional Law
Northwestern University Pritzker School of Law

Josh Hammer (*confirmed*)

Opinion Editor, *Newsweek* and
Research Fellow, Edmund Burke Foundation

Moderator: Paul Larkin – The Heritage Foundation

7:15 – 9:00 p.m.

DINNER AND KEYNOTE

REMARKS: “ONE VOTE AWAY: HOW A SINGLE SUPREME COURT SEAT CAN CHANGE HISTORY”

The Honorable Ted Cruz (R-TX) (*invited*)
United States Senator

FRIDAY, MARCH 26

8:15 a.m.

NETWORKING BREAKFAST

9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

**PLENARY SESSION III – THE STEPS TO STANDOUT LEGAL WRITING:
BENCH MEMOS, OPINIONS, AND DISSENTS**

Ross Guberman (*confirmed*)

President, Legal Writing Pro LLC

12:00 – 12:15 p.m.

BREAK

12:15 – 2:15 p.m.

LUNCHEON AND KEYNOTE

**REMARKS: “SUPREME DISORDER: JUDICIAL NOMINATIONS AND
THE POLITICS OF AMERICA'S HIGHEST COURT”**

Ilya Shapiro (*confirmed*)

Director, Robert A. Levy Center for Constitutional Studies, Cato Institute

2:30 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

PLENARY SESSION IV – WHAT I WISH I KNEW BEFORE MY CLERKSHIP?

- Tiffany Bates – Former clerk to Circuit Judge Kyle Duncan (*confirmed*)
- David Rosenthal – Former clerk to Circuit Judge Joel Carson and District Judge James Teilborg (*confirmed*)
- Megan Lacy Owen – Former Clerk Justice Brett Kavanaugh, Circuit Judge Diarmuid O’Scannlain, and District Judge Sidney Fitzwater (*confirmed*)
- Sherif Girgis – Former clerk to Justice Alito and Circuit Judge Thomas Griffith (*confirmed*)
- Moderator: John Malcolm – The Heritage Foundation