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RELIGIOUS  
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MARCH 9 – 10, 2017

Pepperdine University School of Law  
Malibu, California

In his book *American Lawyers and Their Communities*, Tom Shaffer envisions a downtown street. On one side of the street is a house of worship, on the other is a courthouse. According to Shaffer, law schools train lawyers to look at the religious congregation from the courthouse—that is to analyze the problems the religious congregation creates for the law. Law schools ignore the possibility that there might be a view of the courthouse from the house of worship.

Prophetic witness is discounted in law teaching. Our part of the academy, more than any other, has systematically discouraged and disapproved of invoking the religious tradition as important or even interesting. It ignores the community of the faithful so resolutely that even its students who have come to law school from the community of the faithful learn to look at the [religious congregation] from the courthouse, rather than at the courthouse from [the religious congregation].

Shaffer encourages lawyers to “walk across the street” and look at the courthouse from their religious congregation.

At this conference, some speakers will support and others will challenge Shaffer’s notion that religious critiques of law are of value. Speakers from a wide variety of religious traditions will address the law from their traditions. Some will address the history of religious influence on law. Others will address what religious traditions might say to subjects that do not ordinarily come in for religious critique—property, contracts, torts, etc.

Please join us for the conversation.

All our best,



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# ✦ SCHEDULE ✦

## THURSDAY, MARCH 9

8:15 AM REGISTRATION AND LIGHT BREAKFAST

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9 – 9:15 AM WELCOME AND CONFERENCE INTRODUCTION

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9:15 – 10:30 AM **PANEL 1 – RELIGIOUS CRITIQUES OF LAW, PART I**

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**James Gordley**, *Tulane University Law School*  
Christianity, Natural Law, and the So-Called  
Liberal State

**John Witte, Jr.**, *Emory University School of Law*  
From Gospel to Law: Martin Luther's  
Deconstruction and Reconstruction  
of German Law

10:30 – 11 AM LIGHT REFRESHMENTS

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11 AM – 12:15 PM **PANEL 2 – RELIGIOUS CRITIQUES OF LAW, PART II**

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**Saeed A. Kahn**, *Wayne State University*  
(sponsored by the Pepperdine Center for Faith  
and Learning)  
Islamic Law in an Age of Globalization:  
The Challenge of Anchoring Religion and Law  
Within Shifting Boundaries

**Sanford V. Levinson**, *University of Texas School of Law*  
(sponsored by the Diane and Guilford Glazer Institute  
for Jewish Studies)  
Tom Shaffer and the Problem of "Dual Sovereignty":  
On Loyalties to God and to Decidedly Human  
Constitutions

12:15 – 1:30 PM LUNCH

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1:30 – 3 PM **PANEL 3 – RELIGIOUS CRITIQUES OF BUSINESS LAW**

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**Mark Aaron Goldfeder**, *Emory University School of Law*  
Of Golems, Mermaids, and Corporations;  
A Religious Critique of Legal Personhood

**Ahmed E. Taha**, *Pepperdine University School of Law*  
Islamic and American Forms of  
Antitrust Law

**Veryl V. Miles**, *The Catholic University of America,  
Columbus School of Law*  
Consumer Financial Protection:  
A Common Good

**Stephen M. Bainbridge**, *UCLA School of Law*  
The Parable of the Talents

3 – 3:30 PM LIGHT REFRESHMENTS

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3:30 – 5 PM **PANELS 4A AND 4B** (CHOOSE ONE)

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**PANEL 4A – COMPARING RELIGIOUS AND SECULAR CRITIQUES OF LAW**

**Michael Broyde**, *Emory University School of Law*  
A Religious Critique of the Idea of a Single “Law” in All Situations from the Jewish View: A Defense of a Federalized Model of Diverse Religions Law

**Mark C. Modak-Truran**, *Mississippi College School of Law*  
Defining Religion and Secularity for a Post-Secular Understanding of Religious Liberty

**Perry Dane**, *Rutgers Law School*  
How Religious Views of Law-in-Religion or Religion Law Translate, If at All, into Religious Views of Secular or Civil Law

**Francois Venter**, *Faculty of Law, North-West University, South Africa*  
Religious Perspectives on the Secular State – Comparative Observations

**PANEL 4B – FAMILY, EDUCATION, AND THE PERSON**

**Louis W. Hensler III**, *Regent University School of Law*  
Natural Affection: Natural Law or Natural Selection, and Does It Matter?

**Kurtis G. Anderson**, *Emory University School of Law*  
Contracting Out of the Conflict: Religion, Sex, and Contracts

**Keisha T. Russell**, *Emory University School of Law*  
Public Education, Law, and the Sanctity of the Person

**Stacy A. Scaldo**, *Florida Coastal School of Law*  
You Matter: Shifting the Legal Profession’s Understanding of Dignity and Individuality to a Church-Based View of What It Means to Be Significant

**FRIDAY, MARCH 10**

8:15 AM **LIGHT BREAKFAST**

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9 – 10:30 AM **PANELS 5A AND 5B** (CHOOSE ONE)

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**PANEL 5A – RELIGIOUS CRITIQUES OF CIVIL RIGHTS**

**Jennifer Lee Koh**, *Western State College of Law*  
Christianity and “Crimmigration”

**Craig B. Mousin**, *DePaul University*  
Reforming Immigration Law Within a Matrix of Exile

**Barbara E. Armacost**, *University of Virginia School of Law*  
Policing and Black Lives Matter

**Sherman A. Jackson**, *University of Southern California*  
The View From the Mosque: Is “Religion” Too Narrow and Liberalism Too Strong?

**PANEL 5B – RELIGIOUS THEORIES OF LAW AND THEIR APPLICATIONS**

**Eric G. Enlow**, *Handong International Law School*  
Theology as a Necessary Foundation for Jurisprudence

**Shlomo C. Pill**, *Emory University School of Law*  
A Delicate Balance: Dialectics Between Religion and Society in the Islamic Legal Tradition

**Elizabeth A. Clark**, *Brigham Young University School of Law*  
Mormon Postmodern Critiques of the Nature of Law

**Charles J. Reid**, *University of St. Thomas*  
John T. Noonan, Jr.: Catholic Jurist and Judge

10:30 – 11 AM **LIGHT REFRESHMENTS**

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11 AM – 12:30 PM **PANELS 6A AND 6B** (CHOOSE ONE)

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## **PANEL 6A – RELIGIOUS CRITIQUES OF LAW AND LITIGATION**

**David VanDrunen**, *Westminster Seminary, California*  
What Makes a Good Religious Critique of the Law?  
A Theological Plea

**Paul J. Zwier II**, *Emory University School of Law*  
Love, Law, and the American Jury: A Christian Perspective

**Nathan B. Oman**, *College of William & Mary Law School*  
Christianity's Quarrel with Civil Recourse Theory

**Bruce P. Frohnen**, *Ohio Northern University*  
From Imperfection to the Will to Ignorance:  
Augustine and the Adversarial Ethic

12:30 – 2 PM **LUNCH**

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2 – 3:30 PM **PANELS 7A AND 7B** (CHOOSE ONE)

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## **PANEL 7A – RELIGIOUS CRITIQUES OF PROPERTY AND CONTRACTS**

**Richard H. Helmholz**, *University of Chicago*  
Religion and English Property Law – 1500-1700

**David Opderbeck**, *Seton Hall University Law School*  
Christian Thought and Property Law: From the Margins

**Joel A. Nichols**, *University of St. Thomas*  
Christianity, Consent, and Conscience

**C. Scott Pryor**, *Campbell University School of Law*  
Destabilizing Contract: A Christian Argument for  
Revitalizing Unconscionability

3:30-4 PM **LIGHT REFRESHMENTS**

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4 – 5:30 PM **PANELS 8A AND 8B** (CHOOSE ONE)

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## **PANEL 8A – RELIGIOUS CRITIQUES OF TORTS**

**Michael P. Moreland**, *Villanova University, Widger School of Law*  
The Moral of Torts

**Steven D. Smith**, *University of San Diego School of Law*  
Theodicy and the Law and Theory of Torts

**John Nagle**, *Notre Dame Law School*  
The Good Samaritan and Tort Law

**Sarah M. R. Cravens**, *University of Akron School of Law*  
Good Trees, Bad Fruits, and Unshakeable Houses:  
A View of Products Liability from the Mount and  
the Plain

## **PANEL 6B – RELIGION AND GOVERNMENT STRUCTURE**

**Glenn A. Moots**, *Northwood University*  
An Ennobling but Slightly Embarrassing Account of How  
American Protestants Came to Love the Rule of Law

**Brett A. Stroud**, *Trinity Law School*  
Constitutionalism, Covenants, and Legitimacy

**Bruce Ledewitz**, *Duquesne University School of Law*  
The Religious Critique of Constitutional Jurisprudence

**William S. Brewbaker III**, *University of Alabama School of Law*  
Agreement or Peace?: Friendship and the Purposes  
of Law

## **PANEL 7B – RELIGIOUS CRITIQUES OF LAWYERS AND LEGAL EDUCATION**

**Jonathan R. Cohen**, *University of Florida,  
Levin College of Law*  
Lawyers Serving Gods, Visible, and Invisible

**Varun Soni**, *University of Southern California*  
Hindu American Lawyers and Their Communities

**Robert K. Vischer**, *St. Thomas University School of Law*  
A Christian Critique of the Law School "Crisis"

**June Mary Makdisi**, *St. Thomas University School of Law*  
Rethinking What It Should Mean to Think Like a Lawyer

## **PANEL 8B – RELIGIOUS FREEDOM**

**Christian Burset**, *Yale University*  
Authoritarian Legal Pluralism: Secular Use of Religion  
to Gain Power

**Sohail Wahedi**, *Erasmus University Rotterdam*  
Abstraction from the Religious Dimension

**Patrik Rako**, *Emory University School of Law*  
Freedom of Religion: The Central European Approach:  
Religious Indifference

**Anton Sorkin**, *Emory University School of Law*  
The Law Knows All Heresies: How Civil Magistrates  
Forget the Doctrine of Sincerity by Ignoring Religious  
Claims Involving Artistic Services



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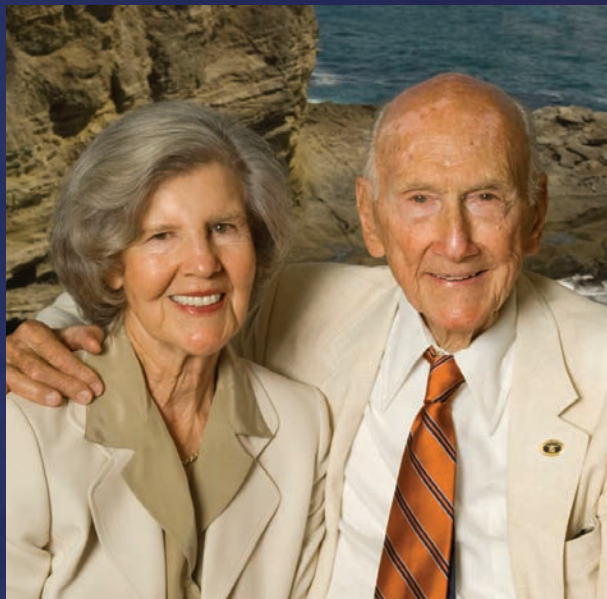
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