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Neil Kinkopf is currently a professor of law at Georgia State University. He received his A.B. from Boston University in 1987 and his J.D. from Case Western Reserve University in 1991 where he was Editor-in-Chief of the Law Review and part of the Order of the Coif. Prior to teaching at Georgia State, he was a visiting assistant professor at Case Western Reserve University School of Law and a Senior Fellow at Duke University School of Law. He has also served as Counsel to Senator Joseph Biden, Special Assistant to the Office of Legal Counsel, Special Assistant to the Attorney General and clerked for Judge Richard Suhrheinrich of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the 6th Circuit. Neil Kinkopf has also been published numerous times in academic journals and is active in professional service and pro bono work.

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Patrick Wiseman has been on the faculty of the College of Law since 1984. He currently teaches Real Property, Constitutional Law, Legislation, and an innovative course on Law and the Internet, for which he was awarded GSU's Instructional Innovation Award. He has been a Visiting Professor of Law at Santa Clara Law School.

Wiseman pioneered the use of Internet technology in law teaching, integrating websites with his courses as long ago as 1995. He has been recognized nationally for his efforts. In 2000, he was awarded the Tom Creed Compassionate Pioneer Award, given by the Teaching and Learning with Technology Group of the American Association for Higher Education to a teacher who goes above and beyond in helping faculty and students use technology for teaching and learning. In 2001, he received the CALI Excellence in Service Award, given by the Center on Computer-Assisted Legal Instruction.

His research interests include constitutional law, and the use of technology to enhance the teaching and learning of law.

Wiseman, a native of the United Kingdom, earned a B.A. at the University of Kent at Canterbury. He also has a J.D. from Columbia University School of Law and a Ph.D. in Philosophy from the University of Colorado. After law school, he clerked for Judge Frank J. Battisti of the Northern District of Ohio.

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Gene Nichol is professor of law and Director of the Center on Poverty, Work and Opportunity at the University of North Carolina. He teaches courses in constitutional law, federal courts, civil rights and election law.

From 2005-2008, Nichol was the 26th president of the College of William and Mary in Williamsburg, Virginia. Nichol was Burton Craige professor and dean of the law school at the University of North Carolina from 1999-2005. He served as law dean at the University of Colorado from 1988-1995; and as James Gould Cutler Professor and Director of the Institute of Bill of Rights Law at William & Mary from 1985-1988. Nichol has also taught at Oxford, Exeter, Florida and West Virginia. He founded the Byron White Center of Constitutional Law at the University of Colorado (1990) and the Center for Civil Rights at the University of North Carolina (2001).

Nichol is co-author of FEDERAL COURTS: Cases and Comments (West, 2000)(with Redish) and a contributing author of WHERE WE STAND: Voices of Southern Dissent (NewSouth Books, 2004). He has published articles and essays in the Harvard Law Review, the Yale Law Journal, the University of Chicago Law Review, the Michigan Law Review, the University of Pennsylvania Law Review, the California Law Review, the Duke Law Journal, the Virginia Law Review, the Harvard Law & Policy Review, the Journal of Legal Education, Constitutional Commentary, and an array of leading legal journals. From 1998-1999, he was a political columnist for the Denver-Rocky Mountain News and the Colorado Daily. He has been a monthly op-ed writer for the Raleigh News & Observer for almost a decade. His editorials are occasionally distributed nationally by the American Forum. He has also written for the Washington Post, The Nation, the Chronicle of Higher Education, the Richmond Times-Dispatch, the Denver Post, the Charlotte Observer and various periodicals. From 1994-1995, he was host of a public affairs television show, Culture Wars, for KBDI, Channel 12 in Denver, Colorado.
Nichol has been significantly involved in public affairs. He has testified before an array of committees of the United States Congress and various state legislatures. In 1991, he was appointed special master by a three-judge federal court in Colorado to mediate a redistricting dispute between the governor and the legislature. The accord was ratified by statute. A year later he helped head the Colorado Reapportionment Commission. In 2004, Nichol chaired the North Carolina Bi-Partisan Commission on Lobbying Reform. Legislation was passed enacting commission recommendations. He ran unsuccessfully for national political office while in Colorado. He has been elected to membership in the American Law Institute and the American Bar Foundation Fellows.

In 2003, Nichol won the American Bar Association's Edward R. Finch Award for delivering the nation's best Law Day Address. In 2004, he was named Carolina's Pro Bono Professor of the Year. The next year, Governor Easley inducted Nichol into the Order of the Long Leaf Pine; and Equal Justice Works named him Pro Bono Law School Dean of the year. In 2007, he received Oklahoma State University's Distinguished Alumnus Award. Last year, he received the "Courage To Do Justice Award" from the National Employment Lawyers Association (New England, 2008) and the Thomas Jefferson Award -- for courage in the defense of religious liberty -- from the Military Religious Freedom Foundation (Albuquerque, 2008).

Nichol attended Oklahoma State University, where he received a degree in philosophy (1973) and played varsity football. He obtained his J.D. from the University of Texas, graduating Order of the Coif, in 1976. He is married to Glenn George. They have three daughters: Jesse (22), Jennifer (21), and Soren (16).

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The Director of WCL's Program on Law and Government and founder of its acclaimed Marshall-Brennan Constitutional Literacy Project, Jamin Raskin teaches Constitutional Law, First Amendment, the Constitution and Public Education, and Legislation. He has written dozens of law review articles and essays and several influential books, including the Washington Post Bestseller Overruling Democracy: The Supreme Court versus the American People (2003), which examines patterns of conservative judicial activism and interference with democratic politics, and We the Students (2d ed. 2003), a CQ Press and Supreme Court Historical Society Bestseller which examines the Supreme Court's treatment of America's high school students and their rights. An active constitutional and public interest lawyer, Raskin has represented clients as diverse as Reverend Jesse Jackson, Ross Perot and Greenpeace, and was Chairman of Maryland's State Higher Education Labor Relations Board.

In September 2006, he won a landslide upset victory in the Democratic Primary for State Senate from District 20 in Maryland (Silver Spring and Takoma Park), toppling a 32-year incumbent, and went on to win 99% of the vote in the November General Election. As a Senator in Maryland's "citizen legislature," Professor Raskin serves on the influential Judicial Proceedings Committee, the Joint Committee on Legislative Ethics, the Joint Committee on the Chesapeake Bay and the Atlantic Coast, and the Joint Committee on State-Federal Relations. Professor Raskin's varied career in public life has included service as: general counsel of the National Rainbow Coalition, a member of President Clinton's first Transition Team and a state assistant attorney general. In the 2000 presidential election, he introduced the provocative idea of Internet "vote pairing" (or "vote trading") in Slate Magazine. During the Academic Year 2003-04, he was a visiting professor at Sciences Po in Paris and taught a course in comparative constitutional law and politics. He is fluent in French and has written articles for French publications.

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Steven L. Winter joined the Wayne State University Law School in 2002 as the Walter S. Gibbs Professor of Constitutional Law. Before coming to Wayne State, he was a member of the faculty at Brooklyn Law School (1997-2002) and the University of Miami School of Law (1986-1997). He has also taught at American University's Washington College of Law and the Cardozo, Rutgers-Newark, and Yale Law Schools.

After law school, Professor Winter clerked for Judge Paul R. Hays of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit. From 1978 to 1986, he served as an Assistant Counsel for the NAACP Legal Defense & Educational Fund, Inc., where he litigated a wide range of civil rights cases concerning prisoners' rights, employment discrimination,

school desegregation, police violence, capital punishment, habeas corpus jurisdiction, discrimination in the military, and attorneys' fees. While at LDF, he worked on more than a dozen Supreme Court cases including brief and argument in Tennessee v. Garner, 471 U.S. 1 (1985), the landmark case holding the common law fleeing felon rule unconstitutional.

Professor Winter has served as a consultant for the Helsinki Watch Committee and the Central Intelligence Agency. In 2001, he filed a brief in the Supreme Court on behalf of Intellectual Property Creators and the Society of Amateur Scientists as amici curiae in Festo Corp. v. Shoketsu Kinzoku Kogyo Kabushiki Co., Ltd., 532 U.S. 722 (2002), using developments in cognitive linguistics to argue successfully against reliance on the literal language in patent law.

Professor Winter is the author of numerous articles on constitutional law and legal theory, including The Metaphor of Standing and the Problem of Self-Governance, Bull Durham and the Uses of Theory, An Upside/Down View of the Countermajoritarian Difficulty, The "Power" Thing, Melville, Slavery, and the Failure of the Judicial Process, What Makes Modernity Late? and, most recently, Reimagining Democracy for Social Individuals. His book, A Clearing in the Forest: Law, Life and Mind (Univ. Of Chicago Press 2001), is the first systematic attempt to assess cognitive science's implications for law and legal theory. He teaches Constitutional Law, Federal Courts, Civil Procedure, and a variety of seminars on topics in legal theory which have included: Ethics of the Lawyering Experience; Contemporary Problems in Legal Theory; Theory of Property; Legal Reasoning; Cognitive Science and Law; Law and Linguistics; and Racism, Cognitive Theory, and the Law.

Professor Winter is currently working on a book about consumerism and democracy.

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Michael Boos is the Vice President and General Counsel of Citizens United and Citizens United Foundation. He has authored and co-authored numerous court briefs and public policy papers, and frequently testifies before the Federal Election Commission and other regulatory agencies on the impact of proposed government regulations.

Mr. Boos received his Juris Doctorate degree from George Mason University School of Law in 1994, and was the recipient of the American Jurisprudence award in Trusts and Estates. He received his undergraduate degree in agribusiness economics from Rutgers University in 1981.

Mr. Boos began his professional career 1981, with a position as a campaign director for the National Conservative Political Action Committee. In 1982, he joined the staff of Young Americans for Freedom as project director, and from 1983-1988, he served as program director for Young America's Foundation.

While at Young America's Foundation, Mr. Boos was named lead plaintiff in the U.S. Supreme Court Case of Boos v. Barry. The case involved a successful constitutional challenge to a Washington, DC law that prohibited the carrying of signs or banners near foreign embassies, if those signs or banners were designed to bring the foreign government into "public odium" or "public disrepute." The law had been selectively enforced to prohibit demonstrations near the Soviet Embassy.

From 1988-1990, Mr. Boos served as executive director of the Legal Affairs Council, where he oversaw efforts to defend conservatives and conservative values in the nation's courts. He entered law school in the fall of 1990 and continued to serve as editor of Legal Affairs Council's newsletter, Legal Briefs Bulletin, until he graduated in 1994.

Mr. Boos joined the staff of Citizens United in January 1995. He also maintains a private law practice in Northern Virginia. Mr. Boos is admitted to practice before the Virginia Supreme Court, 4th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals, U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Virginia and the U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the Eastern District of Virginia.

Mr. Boos resides in Northern Virginia. His hobbies include hunting, fishing, golf and other outdoor sports.

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Stefan C. Passantino has a nationwide practice and focuses on representing political figures, corporations and other political entities with respect to state and federal election law, campaign finance, lobbying law and ethics issues. He was recognized by Chambers USA 2010 as one of the leading political law attorneys in the nation and described as "extremely astute and responsive and has an incredible grasp of the subject matter." He maintains offices in Washington, D.C. and Atlanta, Georgia.

Mr. Passantino leads the firm's Political Law team in the publication of its Pay to Play blog. The blog is dedicated to helping readers monitoring the status of proposed pay to play legislation and is set to become a leading online community for analyses on the impacts of pay to play regulations on the state level in reference to lobbying, contributions and gifts. Please visit www.paytoplaylawblog.com for the latest information on this topic.

As head of MLA's Political Law team, some of his clients include former Speakers of the United States House of Representatives, Newt Gingrich and J. Dennis Hastert, as well as Congressman Roy Blunt, RNC Chairman Michael Steele, former Congressmen Bob Barr of Georgia and JC Watts of Oklahoma. In addition, Mr. Passantino serves as General Counsel to corporate entities formed by former Speaker of the House Gingrich and former Congressman Watts. Mr. Passantino has provided Congressional and Executive Branch ethics and lobbying training to Members of Congress, their staff, the Administration, and private corporations for over ten years.

Mr. Passantino also represents parties in complex litigation matters including matters relating to insurance claims handling, bad faith, coverage and tort liability. He represents some of the largest companies in the world in complex legal disputes including Zurich, CIGNA and ACE.

Prior to joining McKenna Long & Aldridge, Mr. Passantino worked as an associate for a large New York law firm and as a Federal Law Clerk to United States District Court Judge Herbert F. Murray.

During law school, Mr. Passantino served as Managing Editor of the Emory Law Journal.
Mr. Passantino is a regular contributor and commentator for CNN Radio, The Hill, FOX News, Roll Call, The Washington Post and USA Today, among others. Law & Politics and Atlanta Magazine recognized Mr. Passantino on their 2008 and 2009 lists of Georgia Super Lawyers Rising Stars and as a Super Lawyer in 2010. Mr. Passantino was recognized as one of "Georgia's Most Influential People" in the March 2006 and 2007 issues of James Magazine. The Georgia Supreme Court appointed Mr. Passantino as a mentor in the Transition into Law Practice Program of the State Bar of Georgia in January 2009. He is an "Expert Contributor" to the National Journal: Under the Influence Blog.

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Amol Naik focuses his practice on representing elected officials, corporations and other political entities with respect to federal, state and local election law, campaign finance, lobbying law and ethics issues. In this capacity, Mr. Naik advises corporations and other business entities on campaign finance issues, lobbying disclosure and ethics compliance. He also currently serves as lead outside counsel to numerous elected officials, candidates and political committees at the federal, state and local level.

Mr. Naik has significant experience representing clients before the Federal Election Commission and state and local ethics commissions nationwide on campaign finance issues. He has also successfully represented elected officials and candidates in election disputes in court and before state and local elections boards.

Mr. Naik lead the firm's Political Law Team in the launch of its Pay to Play blog. The blog is dedicated to helping readers monitoring the status of proposed pay to play legislation and is set to become a leading online community for analyses on the impacts of pay to play regulations on the state level in reference to lobbying, contributions and gifts. Please visit www.paytoplaylawblog.com for the latest information on this topic. In addition, Mr. Naik also maintains an active state and local government affairs practice.

Prior to joining McKenna Long & Aldridge, Mr. Naik served as Chief of Staff to the Georgia Senate Minority Leader. During law school, Mr. Naik was Notes and Comments Editor of the Emory International Law Review and the recipient of an Atlanta Bar Association Minority Clerkship. Before law school, Mr. Naik was a journalist, including a stint at the Washington DC bureau of an international daily newspaper.

Most recently, the Daily Report named Mr. Naik to its annual "On the Rise" list of 10 Georgia lawyers under 40. Atlanta Magazine also named Mr. Naik to its 2010 list of "Georgia Super Lawyers Rising Stars." In addition, Mr. Naik is a recipient of the German Marshall Fund's Marshall Memorial Fellowship, and is a graduate of Leadership Atlanta's L.E.A.D. Atlanta class of 2007.

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Professor Gerken specializes in election law and constitutional law. She has published numerous articles on these subjects in the Harvard Law Review, the Stanford Law Review, the Yale Law Journal, the Columbia Law Review, Political Theory, Political Science Quarterly, Roll Call, Legal Affairs, Legal Times, The New Republic, and elsewhere. She has served as a commentator on legal controversies for a number of media outlets, including The New York Times, The New Yorker, the L.A. Times, the Chicago Tribune, the Boston Globe, NPR, the Lehrer News Hour, CNN, MSNBC, Rachel Maddow, and NBC News. She has testified on front of Congress on the constitutional implications of the Citizens United decision. Professor Gerken has also won the teaching awards at Harvard Law School and Yale Law School. In 2007 and 2008, she served as a senior adviser to the national election protection team for Obama for America.

Professor Gerken's proposal that Congress establish a "Democracy Index" - a national ranking system of state election performance - has been incorporated into separate bills by Senator Hillary Clinton, Senator Barack Obama, and Congressman Israel. The proposal has also been the subject of a conference sponsored by the Pew Foundation, the Joyce Foundation, and AEI-Brookings. Mayor Bloomberg announced in September that New York City would create the nation's first Democracy Index. The idea has also been adopted in India. The proposal is the subject of her new book, The Democracy Index: Why Our Election System is Failing and How to Fix It. Professor Gerken's research centers on questions of applied democratic theory, including the role groups play in a democratic system, the translation of institutional design choices into manageable legal doctrine, and the values associated with minority-dominated institutions. Her most recent scholarship explores questions of election reform, diversity, and dissent.

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Professor Segall teaches federal courts and constitutional law I and II. His articles on constitutional law have appeared in, among others, the UCLA Law Review, the George Washington Law Review, the University of

Pennsylvania Journal of Constitutional Law, the University of Pittsburgh Law Review, and the Florida Law Review, and he has been a frequent contributor to Constitutional Commentary. He has served on the Executive Committee of the AALS section on federal courts, and has given numerous speeches both inside and outside the academy on constitutional law questions and the Supreme Court.

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She is author of Corporate Campaign Spending: Giving Shareholders A Voice (Brennan Center 2010) which she presented to Congress, as well as the author of Corporate Political Spending & Shareholders' Rights: Why the U.S. Should Adopt the British Approach (forthcoming Routledge 2011). Ms. Torres-Spelliscy has been published in Business Week, Forbes, U.S. News and World Report, New York Law Journal, Boston Review, San Francisco Chronicle, Roll Call, The Hill, The Root.com, Salon.com, CNN.com, Huffington Post and the ABA Judges Journal. Ms. Torres-Spelliscy has also been quoted by the media in the Associated Press, The Economist, USA Today, Legal Times, National Journal, National Law Journal, Sirius Radio, Newsweek on Air, NY1 and NPR. She provides constitutional and legislative guidance to lawmakers who are drafting bills. She has forthcoming law review articles about Citizens United in the Nexus Journal of Law and Policy (2011) and University of San Francisco Law Review (2011).

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Prior to joining the College of Law, Professor Nees practiced corporate law with Paul, Hastings, Janofsky & Walker LLP. She left the firm to join Georgia's new Business Court, a specialized court adjudicating high-dollar, complex, commercial and business litigation. At the Business Court, Professor Nees clerked for the Honorable Alice D. Bonner and the Honorable Elizabeth E. Long. Professor Nees simultaneously served as the Program Director for the Business Court overseeing the development of the court, including two rule amendments before the Supreme Court of Georgia. While at the Business Court, Professor Nees published an article analyzing the role of specialized courts in modern civil jurisprudence and proposing a framework to assess the role of business courts.

Professor Nees received her J.D. magna cum laude at Indiana University, Bloomington-Maurer School of Law where she served as the Senior Managing Editor of the Federal Communications Law Journal, the official journal of the Federal Communications Bar Association, became a member of the Order of the Coif, and earned the Public Interest Service Award. Before attending law school, she served as a Governor's Fellow for Indiana Governor Frank O'Bannon. Professor Nees received her B.A. in political science and journalism at Butler University in Indianapolis, Indiana.

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From 1998-2001 he was co-editor of the Supreme Court Economic Review. Ribstein has written or co-authored approximately 150 articles on subjects including corporate, securities and partnership law, constitutional law, bankruptcy, film, the internet, family law, professional ethics and licensing, uniform laws, choice of law, and jurisdictional competition.

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After law school, Richard Hasen clerked for the Honorable David R. Thompson of the United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit, and then worked as a civil appellate lawyer at the Encino firm of Horvitz and Levy. From 1994-1997, Hasen taught at the Chicago-Kent College of Law. He joined Loyola's faculty in 1997 as a visiting professor and became a member of the full-time faculty in fall 1998. In 2005, he was named the William H. Hannon Distinguished Professor of Law. Hasen is a nationally-recognized expert in election law and campaign finance regulation, is co-author of a leading casebook on election law and co-editor of the quarterly peer-reviewed publication, Election Law Journal. He is the author of more than four dozen articles on election law issues. In 2002, Hasen was named one of the 20 top lawyers in California under age 40 by the Los Angeles (and San Francisco) Daily Journal and one of the top 100 lawyers in California in 2005. He was elected to the American Law Institute in 2009. His opeds and commentaries have appeared in many publications, including the New York Times, Washington Post, Los Angeles Times, and Slate. Hasen also writes the often-quoted "Election law blog." His book, The Supreme Court and Election Law: Judging Equality from Baker v. Carr to Bush v. Gore, was published by NYU Press in 2003.

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Joel Gora is a nationally known expert in the area of campaign finance law. He has been a member of the faculty since 1978, teaching constitutional law, civil procedure and a number of other related courses. He also formerly served as Associate Dean for Academic Affairs from 1993-1997 and again from 2002 through 2006. He is the author of a number of books and articles dealing with First Amendment and other constitutional law issues. His most recent book is Better Parties, Better Government, which he co-authored with financial market expert Peter J. Wallison. Professor Gora continues to be active in working on campaign finance policy issues, including filing briefs in the Supreme Court of the United States, advising various organizations and publishing articles in the news media.

Following law school, he served for two years as the pro se law clerk for the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Second

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Professor Kang received his BA and JD degrees from the University of Chicago, where he served as technical editor of the University of Chicago Law Review and graduated Order of the Coif. He received a master's degree from the University of Illinois and received his PhD in government from Harvard University. After law school, Professor Kang clerked for Judge Michael S. Kanne of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit and worked in private practice at Ropes & Gray in Boston before joining the faculty of Emory University School of Law in 2004.