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## Cardozo Law News Brief

Spotlight on News from the Cardozo Community

### In the News

#### A Message from Dean Leslie on Violence at the Capitol

Yesterday we witnessed an assault on our democracy. Congress was confronted by a violent mob intent on intimidating legislators to override the will of the people. It is critical that we condemn these lawless and hateful actions.

[Read Full Message](#)



#### Professor Ekow Yankah Joins NPR's Reset To Discuss Police Reaction to Insurrection at Capitol

"You can't help but to be struck by the spectacular difference in how people who aim violence at the Capitol are treated as opposed to black protestors who are marching for their own civil rights," says Yankah.

[Listen at 11:00](#)



## Professor Deborah Pearlstein Comments on Pressure for Justice Breyer to Retire in Bloomberg Law

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Pearlstein, who clerked for the late Justice Stevens, says that “retiring or taking senior status is one of the least radical steps federal judges can take who are worried about the composition of the judiciary and the trajectory of the judiciary.”

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## Professor Alex Reinert Speaks to Politico on Aftermath of Trump Lawsuits Challenging Election Results

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“I have misgivings about the extent to which it has become harder to access the courts and I think some of these election decisions rested on doctrine that has been used to restrict access to the courts,” says Reinert.

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## Professor Gabor Rona, Open Society Justice Initiative Granted Injunction in Lawsuit Against Trump

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The lawsuit, which was filed by Rona along with other law professors and the Open Society Justice Initiative, challenges the Trump Executive Order that designates the International Criminal Court's prosecutor as a threat to U.S. national security and establishes sanctions against those who cooperate with the prosecutor.

[Read the Order](#)



## Faculty Scholarship & News

- **Professor Chris Buccafusco** will present his paper "The Newest Payola: Should the Law Care about Online Music Promotion?" at the NYU Tri-State Intellectual Property colloquium today, January 8.
- **Professor Pamela Foohey** joined the Association of American Law Schools' panel, "[Creditors' and Debtors' Rights](#)" panel on January 7.
- **Professor Ngozi Okidegbe** joined the Association of American Law Schools' panel, "[Beyond 2020: Decarceral, Anti-Racist and Non-Traditional Teaching](#)" panel on January 6.
- **Professor Michel Rosenfeld** will present at the Hebrew University in Jerusalem Workshop on Law and Human Rights on "Nationalism, Populism, Religion, and the Quest to Reframe Fundamental Rights" on January 12.
- **Professor Anthony Sebok** joined the Association of American Law Schools' panel, "[Litigation - Cosponsored by Professional Responsibility: The Growth of Third-Party Litigation Finance: Opportunities and Challenges](#)" on January 6.
- **Professor Richard Weisberg's** formal remarks in Paris on the 20th anniversary of the French Holocaust restitution commission ("CIVS") were published. In addition, Weisberg was interviewed by Prof. Mathieu Touzeil Divina for a French piece "Entre Opera et Droit" [Between Opera and Law], that focuses on Weisberg's role in inspiring the Law and Literature movement in France.
- **Adjunct Professor Joel Cohen** published an Op-Ed in [Bloomberg Law](#) on the legality of recording phone conversations, in light of the Raffensperger/Trump tapes.

## Events

### Floersheimer Center Presents Manhattan DA Forum Event

Thursday, January 21 at 6:30 p.m.

*Registration details to come.*

**Bully. Coward. Victim. The Story of Roy Cohn**

**Monday, February 8 at 6 p.m.**

*Registration details to come.*

**One Year Later with Sam Edelman -- A Conversation about Covid-19's  
Impact on the Fashion Industry**

**Wednesday, February 10 at 6:30 p.m.**

*Registration details to come.*

**Billie Holiday's Legacy Walks the Halls of 55 Fifth Avenue**

**Monday, February 22, 6:30 p.m.**

*Registration details to come.*

**BMI Moot Court Competition CLE Panel**

**Thursday, March 18 at 5:30 p.m.**

*Registration details to come.*