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Campus News

Professor Kate Levine Co-Writes Op-Ed in Boston Review

"In order to achieve lasting change, we must focus on systemic problems across the criminal justice system. That includes holding prosecutors accountable, not just police."

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Nicole Seawright Named One of the 2020 Best LGBTQ+ Lawyers Under 40 by LGBT Bar

The LGBT Bar recognizes LGBTQ+ legal professionals under the age of 40 who have distinguished themselves in their field and have demonstrated a profound commitment to LGBTQ+ equality. Nicole Seawright, former Director of the Office of Diversity and Inclusion, is a 2020 recipient.

[See Awards](#)



Professor Deborah Pearlstein Talks to The Atlantic about Banishing Trump to the Anticanon

Professor Deborah Pearlstein discusses in The Atlantic, "What presidents do can change the way the people and public officials alike understand what the Constitution permits. Do the recent events at Lafayette Square now count as part of the canon of presidential precedent?"

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Professor Alex Reinert Discusses Qualified Immunity in Boston Review

Professor Alex Reinert writes, "If progressive officials, at any level of government, are truly committed to accountability, they can lay down weapons like qualified immunity and let citizens whose constitutional rights have been violated be heard in court."

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Professor Barry Scheck Co-Writes an Op-Ed for the Los Angeles Times on the Right to Fingerprint Matching

Professor Barry Scheck tells the Los Angeles Times that there is no such right to fingerprint matching in most states. "The failure of states to provide post-conviction access to fingerprint databases is inexcusable. Besides robbing innocent people of their freedom, refusal to do fingerprint searches means the guilty remain free."

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Professor Jessica Roth Quoted in USA Today, Bloomberg, and NPR about Michael Flynn's Criminal Case Dismissal

"Judge Sullivan might well have decided to grant the motion to dismiss, but now the court of appeals has preemptively directed him to do that," Roth said. "To justify this extraordinary intervention, the court of appeals in effect said Judge Sullivan's plan to scrutinize the Department of Justice's reasoning and motives amounted to an irreparable harm such that appellate review could not wait."

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Faculty Scholarship and Presentations

- [Professor Deborah Pearlstein](#) will speak on a National Constitution Center panel exploring the key constitutional issues raised by the coronavirus crisis on June 30 at 6:30PM. The panel is apart of [The Current Battle for the Constitution: A Symposium](#).

Events

Seinfeld and the Law

Multi-part series on Tuesdays at 7 p.m. with Professor Michael Pollack

June 30, July 7, July 21, Aug. 4, Aug. 18

Summer Mondays: A Weekly Discussion Series

Monday, June 29 at 12 p.m.

COVID and Detention Issues

with Betsy Ginsberg, Alex Reinert, Peter Markowitz and Lindsay Nash

Monday, July 6 at 12 p.m.

Supreme Court Summer Cases Wrap-up

with Professors Michael Pollack, Michelle Adams and Kate Shaw

Monday, July 13 at 12 p.m.

A Google Maps Trip Through NYC Zoning Issues

with Professors Michael Pollack and Michael Herz