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## Cardozo Law News Brief

Spotlight on News from the Cardozo Community

### CAMPUS NEWS

#### [Professor Stanley Fish writes Op-ed in \*Daily News\*](#)

Professor Stanley Fish wrote in a *Daily News* op-ed regarding the NBA/China Twitter controversy, "When Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell warned the National Basketball Association not to put profits ahead of free speech, he joined a chorus of many, including President Trump, who have miscategorized the tiff between China and the league. The controversy is a complicated one and touches on many concerns, but freedom of speech isn't one of them. There is no free speech issue in sight."

#### [Victor Wang '15 Joins Cardozo as new Director of Cardozo/Google Project for Patent Diversity](#)

Victor Wang '15 joins Cardozo as the new director of the Cardozo/Google Project for Patent Diversity, which aims to increase patents issued to minority and underprivileged groups. The Google-funded project is a partnership with Cardozo's Tech Startup Clinic and will offer students a unique hands-on experience in patent law.

#### [Professor Ekow Yankah Comments on Drug Settlement in \*The Hill\*](#)

Three of the country's top drug distributors and a drug manufacturer announced a settlement, marking a significant development in the legal fight over accountability for the nation's opioid epidemic. "There are now thousands of cases, but this will set a precedent on pricing," Professor Ekow Yankah told *The Hill*. "This, to me, sets a baseline market rate for liability, and only the people who really want to gamble are the ones who will take the next phase to trial."

#### [Professor Jessica Roth is a Guest on MSNBC's \*Morning Joe\*](#)

Professor Jessica Roth was a guest on *Morning Joe* to talk about Rudy Giuliani's involvement in the Ukraine scandal: "One of the three areas I'd investigate, includes potentially a violation of the FARA statute, the foreign agent registration act, in whether he

actually was working as an agent of foreign interest in his efforts to oust the US Ambassador to Ukraine."

### [Professor David Rudenstine Comments on Vance Subpoena in \*New York Law Journal\*](#)

As Cy Vance continues to fight for the President's personal tax records, Professor Rudenstine told *The New York Law Journal*, "Trump goes farther in his argument than then-President Nixon did when he was trying to avoid subpoena for audiotapes recorded in the Oval Office."

### [Professor Chris Buccafusco Talks About His Book "Happiness and the Law" on Inclusionism Radio Show](#)

Professor Christopher Buccafusco was a guest on *Inclusionism's* radio show to talk about his book. He said, "The law, most of the time, is trying to make people's lives better off...the book incorporates new research in hedonic psychology to try to understand what it means to make people better off."

### [Professor Kate Shaw is a Guest on 538 Podcast](#)

Professor Kate Shaw said on 538, "The phrase 'other high crimes and misdemeanors' is obviously the most important phrase in the Constitution that deals with impeachment."

### [Professor Kyron Huigens Talks About Giuliani on Al-Jazeera](#)

Professor Kyron Huigens told Al-Jazeera, "Rudy Giuliani is a walking circus and it's hard to tell who would benefit from his testimony. If you look at his television appearances, he's extremely partisan and he could easily let slip a number of things he probably shouldn't say. He's done that already in his TV appearances."

### [Designer Steve Madden Visits Cardozo to Talk IP, Fashion and Careers](#)

Madden's outspoken personality and honesty continued to shine through at the FAME and Fashion Law Society event "An Evening with Steve Madden" on Oct. 17. Aya Kanai, Chief Fashion Director at Hearst Magazines, moderated the discussion.

### [Professor Ed Zelinsky Quoted in \*Forbes\*; Authors Article in \*Law360\* on California's Worker Classification Law](#)

Professor Ed Zelinsky told *Forbes*, in reference to Beto O'Rourke's remarks about revoking tax-exempt status of religious institutions such as colleges, churches, etc. for opposing same-sex marriage, "Solicitor General Verrilli raised this possibility in the oral argument in *Obergefell*, i.e., that tax exemption could be denied to churches refusing to perform same sex marriage."

### [Burns Center Panel Focuses on Legal Ethics in the #MeToo Era](#)

When does representing a client become unethical? This question framed the discussion at "Client Selection and #MeToo: Questions Raised by the Sullivan Controversy," a panel event hosted by the Burns Center for Ethics. The panel focused primarily on the ethical and legal

ramifications of Harvard Professor Ronald Sullivan representing Harvey Weinstein and how the Harvard students' reactions influenced the #MeToo Movement.

## TALKS AND WRITINGS

- Professor Myriam Gilles will be doing faculty workshops at the University of Texas on Nov. 4 and USC Nov. 14 and presenting a paper at the Civil Procedure Workshop in Austin on Oct. 25-26.
- Professor Suzanne Last Stone will speak at the Annual Conference Selma Stern Zentrum of Culture, History and Jurisprudence, Berlin, Germany Nov. 17-19; 51st Annual Conference of the Association of Jewish Studies in San Diego on Dec. 17; and the Plenary Session of Annual Conference of Society of Jewish, Christian and Moslem Ethics, in Washington, D.C. on Jan. 12.
- Professor Lela Love will be the Moderator for Fordham Law School Symposium's on ADR and Access to Justice; Scholar in Residence and Presenter for Conference of the International Academy of Mediators in Scottsdale, Arizona Nov. 7-9; and a Presenter for the Conference on Global Dispute Resolution of Pepperdine University School of Law Nov. 22-23 in Malibu, CA.
- Professor Richard Weisberg will address a gathering in Paris on Nov. 15, on the 20th anniversary of formal French efforts to restore to Jewish victims of Vichy a measure of the assets stolen from them during WWII.
- Professor Michel Rosenfeld is a speaker at a conference of the Israel Academy of Sciences and Humanities which will take place in Jerusalem in December 2019.
- Professor Kate Shaw will present a draft paper "Speech and Impeachment" at Hofstra University, University of Wisconsin Law School, University of Virginia Law School and Chicago-Kent, throughout October 2019.

## EVENTS

Hate Speech, Fake News, and Post-Truth in the Age of Trump:

A Celebration of Professor Stanley Fish's New Book

**Monday, October 28**  
**9 a.m.**

Violence and Impunity in the Amazon

**Monday, October 28**  
**12 p.m.**

Rigged: The Voter Suppression Playbook

Screening and Panel

**Wednesday, October 30**  
**6 p.m.**

Distinguished Lecture in IP

**Monday, November 4**  
**6 p.m.**

Antitrust in the Modern Economy  
**Thursday, November 7**  
**6 p.m.**

60 Years of Real Estate Wisdom  
Stephen Siegel in conversation with Professor Stewart Sterk  
**Tuesday, November 19**  
**8:30 a.m.**