CLOSING REMARKS

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We, at Cardozo Law School, have now had three major conferences of this sort. The first was on “Hegel and Legal Theory”;¹ the second was on “Deconstruction and the Possibility of Justice”;² and now the “Necessity of Violence for Any Possibility of Justice.” After every one of these conferences, Professor Cornell always swears she’ll never do this again. But I would like to pay a special tribute to Professor Cornell because I think each of these conferences has been historically important in the admittedly degraded context of legal education. Perhaps you nonlawyer intellectuals can’t understand what an uncritical and unchallenged place law schools are. I think that each of these conferences has been a tremendous challenge to the legal academy—to open itself up. And I really think Professor Cornell deserves all the credit in the world for the immense hard work that all these conferences have represented. So I would personally like to thank her, not to mention her dedicated research assistants, Deborah Garfield and A. Collin Biddle, who’ve been absolutely tremendous and instrumental in this conference today. And with that, I regret that I have to call the conference to a close. Thank you very much for coming. Soon to be published in a major law review.

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