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ACS Announces New Board of Directors Members

Former New York Times Supreme Court Correspondent Linda Greenhouse, Law Professors James Forman Jr., and Pamela Karlan Join Board

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Washington, D.C. – The American Constitution Society for Law and Policy announced three new members of its Board of Directors -- James Forman Jr., a professor at Georgetown University Law Center, Linda Greenhouse, a senior fellow at Yale Law School and the former Supreme Court correspondent for *The New York Times*, and Pamela S. Karlan, a professor at Stanford Law School.

“ACS is excited and honored that these extraordinary individuals, with such diverse backgrounds, are making this commitment to the future of ACS,” said ACS Board of Directors Chair Goodwin Liu. “Their wealth of experience and knowledge will add greatly to the organization’s expanding efforts to promote discussion, debate and understanding of a progressive legal and public policy vision.”

Liu, Associate Dean and Professor of Law at UC Berkeley School of Law, University California, said the new members would help further expand the organization’s rapidly growing lawyer and student chapters and bolster its already exceptional efforts to promote discussion and debate on constitutional and legal issues. Liu noted that ACS, founded in 2001, already has more than 200 student and lawyer chapters nationwide.

Following are brief bios of the new members, named at the organization’s most recent Board meeting:

James Forman Jr. is a professor of law at Georgetown University Law Center. Professor Forman worked for six years with the Public Defender Service in Washington, D.C., where he represented juveniles and adults in felony cases. In 1999, Forman was promoted to training director for new attorneys at the agency. Forman co-founded in 1997 the Maya Angelou Public Charter School, recognized as one of the most successful of its kind in the country. While attending Yale Law School, Forman was active in the Black Law Students Association and was a book reviews editor for the Yale Law Journal. He clerked for U.S. Supreme Court Justice Sandra Day O’Connor.

Linda Greenhouse is the Knight Distinguished Journalist-in-Residence and Joseph Goldstein Senior Fellow at Yale Law School. From 1978 until 2008, Greenhouse was the Supreme Court correspondent for *The New York Times*. During her career with *The Times*, Greenhouse received several major journalism awards, including the Pulitzer Prize in 1998 and the Goldsmith Career Award for Excellence in Journalism from Harvard University's Kennedy School in 2004. Greenhouse is the author of a biography of Justice Harry A. Blackmun, *Becoming Justice Blackmun* (2005).

Pamela S. Karlan is the Kenneth and Harle Montgomery Professor of Public Interest Law at Stanford Law School, where she also co-directs the school's Supreme Court Litigation Clinic. The Clinic litigates before the Supreme Court on behalf of workers, criminal defendants, nonprofit organizations and other groups and individuals who otherwise could not afford experienced Supreme Court counsel. Karlan has also done *pro bono* litigation in state and federal courts on voting rights, reproductive rights and counsel. Karlan is also co-author of several leading casebooks, including *Constitutional Law* (5th edition, 2005), *The Law of Democracy, Legal Structure of the Political Process* (Revision 2nd edition, 2001), and *Civil Rights Actions: Enforcing the Constitution* (2000). Karlan clerked for Supreme Court Justice Harry A. Blackmun before serving as assistant counsel at the NAACP Legal Defense and Educational Fund.

The American Constitution Society for Law and Policy is one of the nation's leading progressive legal organizations, comprised of lawyers, judges students and policy makers committed to promoting the vitality of the Constitution and the fundamental values it expresses. For more information about ACS, visit www.ACSLAW.org.