

Name of Panel: **What's Next?: The Stakes for Filling Justice Ginsburg's Supreme Court Vacancy**

Date | Time | Location: September 30, 2020 | 4:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. ET | Online

Brief Description:

As had been expected, on Saturday, September 26, President Donald Trump nominated to the United States Supreme Court Judge Amy Coney Barrett, who currently sits on the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit. A Supreme Court vacancy has never been filled this close to an election, and the stakes are enormous. It has been widely reported that Barrett has been named because of her conservative bona fides, and Republicans are eager to get her confirmed and seated as soon as possible, and notably before the election is complete, despite the fact that Americans are already voting. This will leave the court with a 6-3 conservative majority and the power to drive jurisprudence markedly to the right. Join us to talk about the stakes involved, both for the issues and the Supreme Court as an institution.

Panelists' Names and Bios:

- **Michele Goodwin**, Chancellor's Professor of Law, University of California, Irvine School of Law
- **Victoria Nourse**, Ralph V. Whitworth Professor in Law, Georgetown Law
- **David Strauss**, Gerald Ratner Distinguished Service Professor of Law; Faculty Director of the Jenner & Block Supreme Court and Appellate Clinic, The University of Chicago The Law School; ACS National Board of Advisors.

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- Introductions / Opening Remarks (5 min)
- Panel Discussion (40 min)
- Q&A (15 min)

Materials for Panel:

Noah Bookbinder, [I Worked on 5 SCOTUS Confirmation Hearings. Rushing the Process Will Be a Disaster.](#), The Atlantic (September 29, 2020).

Adam Liptak, [Barrett's Record: A Conservative Who Would Push the Supreme Court to the Right](#), The New York Times (September 26, 2020).

Jeffrey Toobin, [There Should be No Doubt Why Trump Nominated Amy Coney Barrett](#), The New Yorker (September 26, 2020).

David Rhode, [How Trump's Supreme Court Maneuver Could Dangerously Increase the Powers of the President](#), The New Yorker (September 22, 2020).

Laura Buchanan, Karen Yourish, [Ginsburg Supreme Court Vacancy Is the Second Closest to a U.S. Election Ever](#), The New York Times (September 19, 2020).

Edward Isaac Dove, [What Republican Senators Say in Private](#), The Atlantic (September 19, 2020).

Victoria Nourse, [Reclaiming the Constitutional Text from Originalism: The Case of Executive Power](#), California Law Review (February 2018).

Michele Goodwin, [How the Criminalization of Pregnancy Robs Women of Reproductive Autonomy](#), Hastings Center (November 24, 2017).

Michele Goodwin, [In the Shadow of the Court: Strategic Federalism and Reproductive Rights](#), Georgetown Journal of Gender and the Law (2017).

David Strauss, [Originalism, Conservatism, and Judicial Restraint](#), University of Chicago (2011).