



NAME OF EVENT: The Way Forward on Supreme Court Reform: Debriefing the Presidential Commission Report

DATE | TIME | LOCATION: December 20, 2021 | 1:00 PM-2:00 PM ET | Online

BRIEF DESCRIPTION:

President Biden's Commission on the Supreme Court, tasked with providing "an analysis of the principal arguments in the contemporary public debate for and against Supreme Court reform," has voted to send its report to the President. While the Commission was not asked to advance recommendations, what groundwork does the report lay for reform efforts? What issues need to be resolved to restore the Court's legitimacy? And in a month when we've seen more than ever the Court's potential to impact people's lives, what changes can be made to ensure that it remains an institution that can be trusted with our constitutional rights?

SPEAKERS' NAMES AND BIOS:

- **Commissioner Andrew Crespo**, Morris Wasserstein Public Interest Professor of Law, Harvard Law School
- **Russ Feingold**, President, American Constitution Society
- **Julie Suk**, Professor of Law, Fordham University School of Law
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AGENDA OF PROGRAM:

- Introduction (5 mins)
- Speaker Presentations and Moderated Conversation (40 mins)
- Q&A (15 min)

READING MATERIALS:

Am. Const. Soc., *What Next for Court Reform?*, ACS (Apr. 9, 2021).

Closing Reflections on the Supreme Court and Constitutional Governance: Presidential Commission on the Supreme Court of the United States (2021) (Statement of Jamal Greene, Dwight Professor of Law, Columbia Law School).

Daniel Epps & Ganesh Sitaraman, *How to Save the Supreme Court*, 129 YALE L. J. 148 (2019).

Betsy Kaplan, *Is It Time to "Pack" The Supreme Court?*, CONNECTICUT PUB. RADIO (Oct. 28, 2020) (interview with Julie Suk).

Michael Klarman, *The Democrats' Last Chance to Save Democracy*, ATLANTIC (Feb. 22, 2021).

PRESIDENTIAL COMM'N ON THE SUPREME COURT OF THE UNITED STATES, *FINAL REPORT* (2021).



TASK FORCE ON FED. JUDICIAL SELECTION, *ABOVE THE FRAY: CHANGING THE STAKES OF THE SUPREME COURT AND ENHANCING LEGITIMACY* (2021).

The Supreme Court's Shadow Docket: Hearing Before the Subcommittee on Courts, Intellectual Property, and the Internet of the House Committee on the Judiciary, 117th Cong. (2021) (Testimony of Stephen I. Vladeck, Charles Alan Wright Chair in Federal Courts, University of Texas School of Law).