

Caroline Cecot



Panelist

Caroline Cecot is the third student to earn both the J.D. and the Ph.D. in law and economics at Vanderbilt University. She earned an A.B. in economics from Harvard University in 2006. Cecot worked as a Research Associate at the AEI-Brookings Joint Center for Regulatory Studies for two years before coming to Vanderbilt. Cecot was a Vanderbilt Legal Academy Scholar and received the Robert F. Jackson Memorial Prize for the highest law GPA after two years in 2011-2012. She also tied for the Archie B. Martin Memorial Prize for the highest 1L GPA with fellow law and economics student Jinghui Lim in 2008-2009. She served as staff on the Vanderbilt Law Review in 2010-2011 and as senior articles editor in 2011-2012. She served on the staff of the Environmental Law and Policy Annual Review in 2012-2013 and was articles editor of ELPAR in 2013-2014. Cecot is a member of the Vanderbilt Law School Chapter of Order of the Coif. Her fields of interest are risk and environmental regulation and labor markets and human resources. Cecot was a Postdoctoral Research Scholar in Law and Economics at Vanderbilt Law School in 2014-2015. She served as a law clerk to Judge Raymond J. Lohier, Jr., of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit in New York, New York. Cecot is the 2016-2017 Legal Fellow at the Institute for Policy Integrity at New York University School of Law and Affiliated Faculty at George Mason University Antonin Scalia Law School. After her year at Policy Integrity, she will join the law faculty at Scalia Law School as Assistant Professor of Law.

Susan E. Dudley



Symposium Co-Chair

Susan Dudley is Director of the George Washington University Regulatory Studies Center, which she established in 2009 to raise awareness of regulations' effects and improve regulatory policy through research, education, and outreach. She is also a distinguished professor of practice in the Trachtenberg School of Public Policy and Public Administration. Professor Dudley is president of the Society for Benefit Cost Analysis, a senior fellow of the Administrative Conference of the United States, a National Academy of Public Administration Fellow, on the board and the National Federation of Independent Businesses Legal Center, and on the executive committee of the Federalist Society Administrative Law Group. She is the co-author of *Regulation: A Primer*, with Jerry Brito.

From April 2007 through January 2009, Professor Dudley served as the Presidentially-appointed Administrator of the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs in the U.S. Office of Management and Budget and was responsible for the review of draft executive branch regulations under Executive Order 12866, the collection of federal-government-wide information under the Paperwork Reduction Act, the development and implementation of government-wide policies in the areas of information policy, privacy, and statistical policy, and international regulatory cooperation efforts.

Prior to OIRA, she directed the Regulatory Studies Program at the Mercatus Center at George Mason University, and taught courses on regulation at the GMU School of Law. Earlier in her career, Professor Dudley served as an economist at OIRA, as well as the Environmental Protection Agency and the Commodity Futures Trading Commission. She was also a consultant to government and private clients at Economists Inc. She holds an M.S. from the Sloan School of Management at MIT and a B.S. (summa cum laude) in Resource Economics from the University of Massachusetts, Amherst.

Jerry Ellig



Panelist

Jerry Ellig is a Senior Research Fellow at the Mercatus Center at George Mason University and a former assistant professor of economics at George Mason University. He specializes in the federal regulatory process, economic regulation, and telecommunications regulation.

Ellig has published numerous articles on government regulation and business management in both scholarly and popular periodicals, including the *Wall Street Journal*, the *New York Times*, *Barron's*, the *Washington Post*, *Regulation & Governance*, *Risk Analysis*, *Administrative Law Review*, *Journal of Regulatory Economics*, and the *New York University Journal of International Law and Politics*. His most recent book, coauthored with his Mercatus colleagues Maurice McTigue and Henry Wray, is *Government Performance and Results: An Evaluation of GPRA's First Decade*.

Previously, Ellig was deputy director and acting director of the Office of Policy Planning at the Federal Trade Commission (FTC). He also served as senior economist for the Joint Economic Committee of the US Congress.

Ellig received his MA and PhD in economics from George Mason University and his BA in economics from Xavier University.

Emily Hammond



Panelist

Emily Hammond is a nationally recognized expert in energy law, environmental law, and administrative law. A former environmental engineer, she brings technical fluency to cutting-edge issues at the intersection of law, science, and policy. Professor Hammond is a leading authority on nuclear energy, electricity markets, regulatory jurisdiction, and the various responses of legal institutions to scientific uncertainty. Her articles have appeared in numerous top-ranked journals, including the *Columbia Law Review*, the *Duke Law Journal*, the *Michigan Law Review*, and the *Vanderbilt Law Review*. She is a co-author of one of the nation's leading energy law texts, *Energy, Economics and the Environment*, and the environmental law text, *Environmental Protection: Law and Policy*, in addition to numerous book chapters and shorter works.

An elected member of the American Law Institute, Professor Hammond is also chair-elect of the Association of American Law Schools' Administrative Law Section and a member scholar of the Center for Progressive Reform. She has served as a hearing examiner for state administrative proceedings and has provided service to the International Atomic Energy Agency. She was recently honored as a Distinguished Young Environmental Scholar by the Stegner Center, University of Utah.

Prior to joining the GW law faculty, Professor Hammond served on the faculties at Wake Forest University and the University of Oklahoma College of Law, where she won numerous teaching awards and served as Associate Dean for Academic Affairs and Associate Director of the Law Center. She has visited at the University of Texas, Florida State University, and the University of Georgia. Before entering academia, Professor Hammond practiced with law with Bondurant, Mixson & Elmore, LLP in Atlanta, Georgia, and clerked for Judge Richard W. Story of the U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Georgia.

Paul Noe



Panelist

Paul Noe serves as Vice President, Public Policy. Paul comes to AF&PA with extensive regulatory, legislative and technical experience, including in the environmental, energy, natural resources, and regulatory policy arenas. He most recently served as Vice President of Regulatory Affairs for the Grocery Manufacturers Association, where he worked on a wide range of issues including sustainability, green chemistry and regulatory issues.

Previously Paul served at the White House Office of Management and Budget as Counselor to the Administrator of the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs. He is also a veteran of Capitol Hill, having served as senior counsel to three chairmen of the U.S. Senate Governmental Affairs Committee— senators Fred Thompson, Ted Stevens and Bill Roth. He also has been a lawyer in private practice, most recently as a partner with C&M Capitolink LLC, as well as counsel in Crowell & Moring's Environment & Natural Resources Group. In all of these positions, he worked closely with clients on environmental, energy and regulatory policy, as well as other issues central to manufacturing and agriculture.

Paul holds an undergraduate degree from Williams College, where he was a member of Phi Beta Kappa, as well as a law degree from the Georgetown University Law Center, where he was an editor on the law journal and an Olin Fellow in Law & Economics. He currently serves on the Council for the American Bar Association's Section of Administrative Law and Regulatory Practice and chairs its Rulemaking Committee.

Jeffrey A. Rosen



Symposium Co-Chair

Jeff Rosen was Chair of the ABA Section of Administrative Law & Regulatory Practice during 2015-2016, and remains a member of the Section's Executive Committee as Last Retiring Chair for 2016-2017. In addition, he is a member of the Administrative Conference of the United States.

Jeff is a senior partner at Kirkland & Ellis LLP in its Washington, D.C. office, where he has worked for nearly 30 years, starting in 1982 and with an interruption for public service during 2003-2009. He has also served on Kirkland's Global Management Committee and as Co-Head of the Washington, D.C. office. During his career at Kirkland, he has handled major litigation before federal and state courts in more than 20 states, including jury trials, bench evidentiary hearings, arbitrations and appellate arguments. In recent years, his work has also focused on regulatory matters and counseling.

From 2006 to 2009, Jeff served as General Counsel and Senior Policy Advisor for the White House Office of Management and Budget, which made him the Administration's lead lawyer for regulatory and fiscal issues, as well as for executive orders. A significant part of his time throughout his tenure at OMB involved working closely with OIRA on rulemaking matters.

From 2003 to 2006, Jeff served as the General Counsel of the U.S. Department of Transportation. As such, Jeff had responsibility for DOT's regulatory program, including all rulemakings by DOT and its operating administrations. Among other things, he also had responsibility for enforcement and litigation activities, legal issues relating to international activities, and legislative proposals. He also served on DOT's Credit Council, which was responsible for four federal loan programs. At DOT, Jeff testified on behalf of the Administration before various committees of Congress on 10 occasions.

Jeff is the author of several publications, including "[The Regulatory Budget Revisited](#)", 66 Admin.L.Rev. 835 (Fall 2014) and "[Putting Regulators on a Budget](#)," 27 National Affairs 42 (Spring 2016).

Cass R. Sunstein



Keynote Speaker

Cass R. Sunstein is currently the Robert Walmsley University Professor at Harvard Law School. From 2009 to 2012, he was Administrator of the White House Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs. He is the founder and director of the Program on Behavioral Economics and Public Policy at Harvard Law School. Mr. Sunstein has testified before congressional committees on many subjects, and he has been involved in constitution-making and law reform activities in a number of nations.

Mr. Sunstein is author of many articles and books, including *Republic.com* (2001), *Risk and Reason* (2002), *Why Societies Need Dissent* (2003), *The Second Bill of Rights* (2004), *Laws of Fear: Beyond the Precautionary Principle* (2005), *Worst-Case Scenarios* (2001), *Nudge: Improving Decisions about Health, Wealth, and Happiness* (with Richard H. Thaler, 2008), *Simpler: The Future of Government* (2013), *Why Nudge?* (2014), *Conspiracy Theories and Other Dangerous Ideas* (2014) and most recently, *The World According to Star Wars* (2016). He is now working on group decisionmaking and various projects on the idea of liberty

Helgi C. Walker



Panelist

Helgi Walker is a partner in Gibson, Dunn & Crutcher's Washington, D.C. office where she is Co-Chair of the firm's Administrative Law and Regulatory Practice Group and a member of the Appellate and Constitutional Law Group. Ms. Walker's work focuses on appellate, regulatory and complex litigation matters. She has extensive experience in appellate challenges to agency rulemakings, particularly in the telecommunications space, and in other high-stakes commercial litigation. Ms. Walker is listed as a leading lawyer in both Appellate Law and Telecom, Broadcast & Satellite by Chambers USA.

By appointment of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the D.C. Circuit, Ms. Walker served on the Court's Advisory Committee on Procedures and presently serves on the Board of Directors for the Historical Society of the D.C. Circuit. From 2010 to 2015, she was a Public Member of the Council of the Administrative Conference of the United States.

Ms. Walker served as White House Associate Counsel to President George W. Bush and was part of then-Governor Bush's original litigation team in the battle over the 2000 presidential election. She later served on the D.C. Judicial Nomination Commission by appointment of President Bush.

Ms. Walker clerked for U.S. Supreme Court Justice Clarence Thomas and Judge J. Harvie Wilkinson III of the U.S. Court of Appeals. After her clerkships, she worked as an associate at Gibson Dunn, and then served at the FCC as Senior Legal Advisor/Chief of Staff to Commissioner Harold Furchtgott-Roth.

In 2011, The American Lawyer selected her as one of the "45 Under 45," "best of the best among young women lawyers" in the U.S. and The National Law Journal has named her one of "Washington's Most Influential Women Lawyers." Washingtonian magazine has recognized her as one of D.C.'s "Top Lawyers" in its biennial rankings and Washington Life magazine has listed her on "The Power 100" list of "influential players running Washington and the world."

Judge Stephen F. Williams



Moderator

Judge Williams was appointed to the United States Court of Appeals in June 1986, and took senior status in September 2001. He graduated from Yale College (B.A. 1958) and from Harvard Law School (J.D. 1961). Judge Williams was engaged in private practice from 1962 to 1966 and became an Assistant U.S. Attorney for the Southern District of New York in 1966. From 1969 until his appointment to the bench, Judge Williams taught at the University of Colorado School of Law. During this time, he also served as a Visiting Professor of Law at UCLA, University of Chicago Law School, and Southern Methodist

University and was a consultant to the Administrative Conference of the United States and the Federal Trade Commission.