



LANDMARK SUPREME COURT CASES · SAN ANTONIO  
Thursday, February 8, 2018

**HUMANITIES TEXAS TEACHER PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT WORKSHOP**

The Witte Museum • 3801 Broadway Street • San Antonio, Texas

7:30–8:15 a.m.	Check-in and breakfast
8:15–8:30 a.m.	Opening remarks <i>Michael L. Gillette, Humanities Texas</i>
8:30–9:15 a.m.	Defining Federal Power <i>Joseph F. Koblka, Southern Methodist University</i>
9:20–10:05 a.m.	Civil Liberties Cases <i>H. W. Perry, The University of Texas at Austin</i>
10:05–10:25 a.m.	Break and group photo
10:25–10:35 a.m.	Humanities Texas educational resources
10:35–11:20 a.m.	Civil Rights Cases <i>William E. Forbath, The University of Texas School of Law</i>
11:25 a.m.–12:10 p.m.	Criminal Procedure <i>Jordan M. Steiker, The University of Texas School of Law</i>
12:10–1:00 p.m.	Lunch
1:00–3:15 p.m.	Primary source seminars
3:15–3:30 p.m.	Closing announcements

Image: West facade of United States Supreme Court Building at dusk, Washington, DC. Photo by Joe Ravi. CC-BY-SA 3.0.

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## FEATURED SCHOLARS

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**WILLIAM E. FORBATH** is the associate dean for research and Lloyd M. Bentsen Chair in Law at The University of Texas at Austin School of Law. He came to Texas in 1997 after more than a decade on the faculties of law and history at UCLA. Among the nation's leading legal and constitutional historians, he is the author of *Law and the Shaping of the American Labor Movement* (Harvard, 1991), the forthcoming *The Anti-Oligarchy Constitution* (Harvard, 2018) (with Joseph Fishkin) and dozens of articles, book chapters, and essays on legal and constitutional history and theory. His scholarly work appears in *Yale Law Journal*, *Harvard Law Review*, *Stanford Law Review*, *Law and Social Inquiry*, and the *Journal of American History*; his journalism at *Politico.com* and in the *New York Times*, *American Prospect* and the *Nation*. His current research concerns social and economic rights in the courts and social movements of the Southern Hemisphere and Jews, law, and identity politics in the Progressive Era. Professor Forbath visited at Columbia Law School in 2001–02 and at Harvard Law School in 2008–09. He is on the editorial boards of *Law & History*, *Law & Social Inquiry: Journal of the American Bar Foundation*, and other journals and on the board of directors of the American Society for Legal History, Texas Low-Income Housing Information Services, and other public interest organizations.

**JOSEPH F. KOBYLKA** is associate professor of history at Southern Methodist University. He earned his BA in government and history at Beloit College and his PhD in political science from the University of Minnesota. Since joining the SMU faculty in 1983, he has published three books—*The Politics of Obscenity*, *Public Interest Law: An Annotated Bibliography*, and *The Supreme Court and Legal Change: Abortion and the Death Penalty*—and several journal articles and book chapters. His teaching interests touch on American constitutional law and politics, judicial decision-making, and American political thought. He is currently finishing a biography of former Supreme Court Justice Harry A. Blackmun and will then turn to a study of recent church-state litigation. Professor Kobylka assisted in developing the award-winning 2007 PBS series *The Supreme Court*. His “Cycles of American Political Thought”—thirty-six lectures on the development of political philosophy in America—was published by The Teaching Company in late 2006. Selected twice by SMU to give the Opening Convocation Address (2001, 2014) and recipient of four SMU research grants and fellowships, Kobylka has also won numerous teaching and service awards at SMU. He serves as faculty advisor to the Honor Council, the Political Science Symposium, and Pi Sigma Alpha.

**H. W. PERRY, JR.** has tenured appointments on the faculties of the School of Law and the Department of Government at the University of Texas at Austin. Previously, he was on the faculty at Harvard University and at Washington University. He has won major teaching awards at every university at which he has taught and is known for his use of interactive teaching. Most recently he has been awarded the UT Regents’ Outstanding Teaching Award, and this past September he received the Teaching and Mentoring Award of the Law and Courts Section of the American Political Science Association. He teaches a wide array of courses in the Law School and in the College of Liberal Arts at both the undergraduate and graduate levels. His law school courses include: Constitutional Law I and a course on the First Amendment. His government courses include: Constitutional Interpretation, Civil Liberties, and the graduate Proseminar in Public Law. His research interests focus mostly on topics at the intersection of law and politics and on topics in constitutional law. He is most known for his award-winning book *Deciding to Decide: Agenda Setting in the U.S. Supreme Court* (Harvard University Press).

**JORDAN STEIKER** is the Judge Robert M. Parker Chair in Law and director of the Capital Punishment Center at the University of Texas School of Law. He served as a law clerk for Honorable Louis Pollak, U.S. District Court (Eastern District of Pennsylvania), and Justice Thurgood Marshall of the United States Supreme Court. He has taught constitutional law, criminal law, and death penalty law at The University of Texas since 1990. His work focuses primarily on the administration of capital punishment in the United States, and he has written extensively on constitutional law, federal *habeas corpus*, and the death penalty. His most recent work is *Courting Death: The Supreme Court and Capital Punishment* (with Carol Steiker). Professor Steiker has testified before state legislative committees addressing death penalty issues in Texas, including state *habeas* reform, clemency procedures, sentencing options in capital cases, and the availability of the death penalty for juveniles and persons with intellectual disabilities. He co-authored the report that led the American Law Institute to withdraw the death penalty provision from the Model Penal Code. Professor Steiker has also litigated extensively on behalf of indigent death-sentenced inmates in state and federal court, including in the U.S. Supreme Court.