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# United States Supreme Court: The 2017-2018 Term

Friday, October 20, 2017

1:30 to 4:15 p.m.

Registration opens at 1:00 p.m.

Melanie Gray Ceremonial Courtroom, Dineen Hall

Syracuse University College of Law

950 Irving Avenue, Syracuse, NY 13244

The Supreme Court's 2016-2017 term was marked by caution and consensus that reflected the eight justices' "strenuous efforts" to rule narrowly to avoid deadlocks. After the 2016 election and the subsequent confirmation of Justice Neil Gorsuch in April, the Court is back to fighting weight. As speaker Amy Howe explains, the Court's docket for 2017-2018 has "no shortage of blockbusters," presenting issues including: the constitutionality of President Trump's travel ban; whether Colorado's public accommodations law violates a bakery owner's First Amendment rights by requiring him to make custom cakes for same-sex weddings; whether the Fourth Amendment protects historical cell-site location information (and the continued viability of the controversial third-party doctrine); whether Wisconsin's most recent legislative redistricting is unconstitutional partisan gerrymandering; and whether arbitration agreements that require employees to forgo collective, class-action relief are enforceable under the Federal Arbitration Act (a case in which DOJ's position from before the election has changed). This program will examine the impacts of the 2016 election on the 2017-2018 term and on the composition of the Court going forward and will include previews and analysis of key cases on the Court's 2017-2018 docket.

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"United States Supreme Court: the 2017-2018 Term" complies with the requirements of the New York State Continuing Legal Education Board for **3.0 credits** towards the professional practice requirement. This program is appropriate for newly admitted and experienced attorneys. This is a single program. No partial credit will be awarded.

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## Timed Agenda

- 1:00-1:30 p.m. CLE Registration
- 1:30-1:35 p.m. Welcome and Introduction **Craig M. Boise**, *Dean and Professor of Law*
- 1:35-2:35 p.m. "When Elections Matter: The Supreme Court, the Scalia Vacancy, and the 2016 Election"  
**Amy Howe**, *SCOTUSblog, Reporter and Former Editor*
- 2:35- 2:45 p.m. Break
- 2:45-4:15 p.m. Panel Discussion: "Supreme Court Preview: 2017-2018 Term"  
Moderator: **Keith James Bybee**, *Vice Dean and Paul E. and Hon. Joanne F. Alper '72 Judiciary Studies Professor of Law*
- Panel participants:  
**Hon. Rosemary Pooler**, *Circuit Judge, United States Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit*  
**Amy Howe**, *SCOTUSblog, Reporter and Former Editor*  
**William Wiecek**, *Chester Adgate Congdon Professor of Public Law and Legislation Emeritus*  
**Laurn Gouldin**, *Associate Professor of Law*  
**Andrew Kim**, *Associate Professor of Law*
- 4:15-5:30 p.m. Happy Hour

This program is complimentary to members of the Northern District of New York Federal Court Bar Association and Syracuse University College of Law alumni. Alumni should register at: <http://law.syr.edu//alumni-friends/alumni-friends-2017-law-reunion-program/>.

Other members of the Northern District of New York Federal Court Bar Association should register at: <https://events.r20.constantcontact.com/register/eventReg?oeidk=a07eehjmplcbebc91&oseq=&c=&ch>.

If you are an alum and a member of the FCBA, please register on the alumni page, so that you can see the full schedule of reunion weekend activities.

For all others seeking CLE credit, the cost of attendance is \$25; please register at <https://commerce.cashnet.com/lawcle>.  
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