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Upcoming Events

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Dear Colleagues,

I know that many of us spent the weekend mourning the passing of Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg and reflecting on her extraordinary life and legacy. We are currently putting together a virtual program for the law school community that will feature Professors Ahrens, Coleman, Garden, and Siegel discussing RBG's legacy through the lens of her most impactful opinions. The program will be tomorrow, Tuesday, from 12:00-1:00; more information to follow. I realize it conflicts with the University Budget Forum that begins at 12:30, but we'll make sure to record our program for those who want to attend the budget session.

Best regards,

Annette

Publications

Jack Kirkwood's article, "Antitrust and Two-Sided Platforms: The Failure of *American Express*," was published by the *Cardozo Law Review*.

Other News

Deborah Ahrens was featured on [KNKX](#) in a piece about how the public's interest in transparency will affect local searches for police leaders.

Robert Chang's tweet was included in this [Bloomberg](#) piece about Florida's last-minute cancellation of the bar exam. He also spoke with [The Seattle Times](#) about the legal implications of declaring a protest a riot.

Annette Clark's letter to the Washington Supreme Court requesting a diploma privilege for 2020 bar exam takers was quoted in this [Spokesman-Review](#) article.

Charlotte Garden spoke with [Bloomberg Law](#) about whether GrubHub drivers can be considered transportation workers. In another [Bloomberg Law](#) story, she's quoted about California litigation that could be a turning point for Uber and Lyft drivers. She was quoted [again](#) when those companies were ordered to reclassify their workers, and [again](#) when the companies won a delay in that order.

Jack Kirkwood spoke with [Business Insider](#) on Jeff Bezos' testimony before the House antitrust subcommittee. He additionally, signed onto an amicus brief supporting a class action against American Express. And finally, was invited by the American Antitrust Institute to conduct a podcast interview with the winner of the Cohen Award.

Sara Rankin is quoted in [The Seattle Times](#) about the importance of including people who have experienced homelessness in decisions about policy. She also offered [her thoughts](#) on how calls to defund the police will affect sweeps of encampments. She also spoke with [Crosscut](#) about the lack of low-income housing in Seattle.

Mimi Samuel conducted a session on Introduction to Legal Research and Legal Writing to incoming LLM students at Symbiosis Law School in Pune, India, as part of its orientation program.

Andrew Siegel appeared on [KOMO News](#) to talk about the suggestion that protesters be charged with sedition and that Seattle Mayor Jenny Durkan also face criminal charges.

David Skover spoke with [Townhall](#) about the free speech legal escapades of comedian Lenny Bruce. He additionally, was interviewed, along with his coauthor Ron Collins, for a podcast entitled "Lenny Bruce, Comedy, and The First Amendment." Conducted by Eric Cervone, the podcast was featured on the *Honest Offense* website, and can be viewed on YouTube and many other platforms.

Ron Slye is included in this [Politico](#) piece about truth and reconciliation commissions, offering his thoughts on what it takes to create meaningful progress against racism.

Dean Spade's work with mutual aid organizations is cited by the [Montana Free Press](#) in this article about neighbors helping neighbors during the COVID-19 pandemic.

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