

Symposium on the New York State Constitution

Elisabeth Haub School of Law at Pace University, New York State Judicial Institute

Friday, March 24, 2017

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78 N. Broadway, White Plains, NY

8:30-9:15: Registration – coffee

9:15-9:30: Welcomes – **Dean David Yassky & Pace Law Review Editor-in-Chief Samantha Hazen**

9:30-10:00: Keynote Address (#1) **Henry M. Greenberg**, Esq., Greenberg Traurig LLP,
Chair of the New York State Bar Association Committee on the Constitution

10:00-10:15: Coffee/Tea break

10:15-11:15: Panel I: **A New York State Constitutional Convention? Politics, Process and Prospects**

Moderated by: **Professor Emily Gold Waldman**, Elisabeth Haub School of Law at Pace University

Professor Gerald Benjamin, Associate Vice President for Regional Engagement, SUNY New Paltz

Professor Peter J. Galie, Professor Emeritus and Former Chairman of the Political Science Department, Canisius College

11:25-12:25: Panel II: **Constitutional Reform on Ethics and the Integrity of the Democratic Process**

Moderated by: **Dean David Yassky**, Elisabeth Haub School of Law at Pace University

Evan Davis, Esq., Cleary Gottlieb Steen & Hamilton LLP, Former President of the Association of the Bar of the City of New York

Professor Bennett Gershman, Elisabeth Haub School of Law at Pace University

12:30-2:00: Luncheon Break/Keynote Address (#2), **Hon. Jonathan Lippman**, former Chief Judge of the New York Court of Appeals

2:00-3:15: Panel III: **“Home Rule” and the Constitution**

Moderated By: **Professor Nicholas A. Robinson**, University Professor on the Environment and Gilbert and Sarah Kerlin Distinguished Professor of Environmental Law *Emeritus*, Elisabeth Haub School of Law at Pace University

Michael A. Cardozo, Esq., former NYC Corporation Counsel

Professor John Nolon, Land Use Center, Elisabeth Haub School of Law at Pace University

James Yates, former Chief Counsel to the Speaker of the New York State Assembly; former Justice, New York State Supreme Court, New York County

3:15-3:30: Coffee/Tea Break

3:30-4:30: Panel IV: **An Environmental Bill of Rights?**

Moderated By: **Todd Ommen**, Supervising Attorney, Pace Environmental Law Clinic

Professor James May, Distinguished Professor and Chief Sustainability Officer for the University, Delaware Law School: Widener University

Professor Nicholas Robinson, University Professor on the Environment and Gilbert and Sarah Kerlin Distinguished Professor of Environmental Law *Emeritus*, Elisabeth Haub School of Law at Pace University

4:30: Wine and Cheese Reception