LIBERTY UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF LAW PRESENTS

LAW REVIEW SYMPOSIUM

MAKING THE CASE FOR EDUCATIONAL FREEDOM

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OUR SPEAKERS

DR. MICHAEL FARRIS

Dr. Farris is the former President and CEO of Alliance Defending Freedom. In 1983, he founded the Home School Legal Defense Association. He used his extensive experience in both politics and appellate litigation to defend parental rights and help grow the organization to over 80,000 member families. In recognition for his work in home education, Education Week has named Dr. Farris one of "The Top 100 Faces in Education of the 20th Century." As a constitutional attorney, Dr. Farris has argued before the United States Supreme Court, seven U.S. Circuit Courts of Appeals, and ten state supreme courts. In 2000, Dr. Farris became the founding president of Patrick Henry College. Dr. Farris has written over a dozen books, including a constitutional law textbook. In 1983, he was ordained and was the founding pastor of Blue Ridge Bible Church. Mr. Farris and his wife Vickie have homeschooled their family since 1982 and have ten children, thirty grandchildren, and one great grandchild. They live in Purcellville, Virginia.

DAVID GOODWIN

Mr. Goodwin is the President of the Association of Classical Christian Schools. He is a founding board member and former headmaster of the Ambrose School in Boise, Idaho. He is the editor of The Classical Difference Magazine and author of Classical Christian Times on Substack. Over 100,000 copies of his work "Discover Classical Christian Education" are in print, and he coauthored "Raise the Song: A Classical Christian Guide to Music Education." Most recently, Mr. Goodwin co-authored "Battle for the American Mind"—a New York Times #1 seller—with Pete Hegseth. He has also appeared in publications like The Federalist and Townhall. Mr. Goodwin's wife, Stormy, is a writer and editor, and he has three children, all of whom were classically educated.

WILLIAM ESTRADA, ESQ.

Mr. Estrada is Senior Counsel at Home School Legal Defense Association. He works to make homeschooling possible for thousands of families and hundreds of thousands of homeschool students by advocating in state legislatures for homeschool freedom, working to ensure that homeschool graduates are treated equally, and that the laws protecting the rights of homeschool families are followed by government officials. Mr. Estrada also served as the first-time president of ParentalRights.org and the Parental Rights Foundation. In June of 2023, Mr. Estrada was selected by Virginia Governor Glenn Youngkin to serve a four-year term on the Board of Visitors of Christopher Newport University. Mr. Estrada lives in Northern Virginia with his wife, Rachel, and their two sons, Dominic and Merrick.

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KING RANDALL

Mr. Randall is the founder of The X for Boys and The Life Preparatory School for Boys. At the age of 19, Mr. Randall founded The X for Boys, a 501(c)3 charitable organization, in his hometown of Albany, Georgia, to address juvenile delinquency. The school's mission is to teach boys the true meaning of manhood and to be protectors and providers for their communities. The school promotes the values of honor, discipline, commitment, courage, accountability, and consistency. In its relatively short existence, the X for Boys has improved students' reading comprehension by 86% and reduced recidivism rates among its students to .01%.

RENA LINDEVALDSEN

Professor Lindevaldsen is a professor at Liberty University School of Law. Before becoming a professor, she practiced as an attorney at Liberty Counsel, where she was a part of several cases representing Child Evangelism Fellowship. One case led to the first reported decision affirming the right of public school teachers to lead Bible clubs at school, after school hours. She has authored amicus briefs to the US Supreme Court in several First Amendment cases, including the Coach Kennedy case, 303 Creative, and Masterpiece Cake Shop. She has published articles on topics related to public education, including rights of parents to object to school curriculum and how schools should address students with gender identity issues. She also has appeared on numerous radio and television programs around the world and has been a speaker and panelist at a number of conferences, seminars, and debates around the country. Most importantly, she and her husband raised three wonderful children, all of whom were homeschooled.

JEFF TUOMALA

Professor Tuomala has devoted 33 years to law school teaching and administration. As the founding academic dean at Liberty University School of Law, he was responsible for designing the curriculum with an emphasis on the biblical foundations of law and the law school's signature lawyering skills program. The inspiration for the skills emphasis arose from his wide-ranging experience as a judge advocate, prosecutor, city attorney, and general practitioner. His scholarship has focused on understanding, evaluating, and restoring various areas of the law from a Christian perspective. He retired as a Colonel in the United States Marine Corps Reserve after three decades of active and reserve service. Professor Tuomala and his wife Abby share a commitment to Christian legal education and are currently working to complete a treatise titled: The Casebook Companion for Constitutional Law.

PROGRAM

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10:00 AM OPENING REMARKS	BRENT DUGWYLER & RODNEY CHRISMAN
10:15 AM PRESENTATION	RENA LINDEVALDSEN introduced by Hannah Shotton
10:45 AM PRESENTATION	JEFF TUOMALA introduced by Hannah Eppling
11:15 AM PRESENTATION	DAVID GOODWIN introduced by Amber Solberg
12:00 PM LUNCH	
1:00 PM PRESENTATION	KING RANDALL introduced by Arielle Leake
1:30 PM PRESENTATION	WILLIAM ESTRADA introduced by Claire Bechter
2:15 PM KEYNOTE	DR. MICHAEL FARRIS introduced by Joshua Davis
3:00 PM BREAK	
3:15 PM PANEL DISCUSSION	MODERATED BY RODNEY CHRISMAN
4:30 PM CLOSING REMARKS	BRENT DUGWYLER
RECEPTION TO FOLLOW	