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## Supreme Court Nominations: Prospects and Consequences for the Court and the Nation

The nation faces the strong likelihood of one or more US Supreme Court Justices retiring in the next few years, perhaps beginning as soon as this summer. This uncertainty follows a period of remarkable stability in the makeup of the Court – 11 years with no turnover.

This is a critical time to explore what consequences will follow from one or more new Justices. What volatile issues – such as abortion, affirmative action, gay rights, the juvenile death penalty – will be open for reconsideration?

It is also important to examine the process by which new Justices will be nominated by the President and confirmed by the Senate. How much cooperation should there be between the two branches and the two parties? Should the filibuster be an option? What consequences would follow from a fundamental breakdown in the process?

This conference brings together leading experts on these vital issues.

### SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

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**10:00 AM**  
Registration and coffee

**10:30 AM**  
Welcome

**Dean Claudio Grossman** – Washington College of Law  
**Prof. Steve Wermiel** – Washington College of Law

**10:35 AM**  
**The Impact of One or More Retirements on the Court's Jurisprudence**

Panelists:

**Prof. Drew S. Days** – Yale Law School; Solicitor General (1993-1996)  
**Prof. Charles Fried** – Harvard Law School; Solicitor General (1985-1989)  
**Prof. Marci A. Hamilton** – Cardozo School of Law, Yeshiva University  
**Prof. David A. Strauss** – University of Chicago Law School

Moderator:

**Nina Totenberg** – National Public Radio

**11:50 AM**  
Lunch

**12:20 PM**  
**The Nomination and Confirmation Process**

Panelists:

**Bradford Berenson** – Sidley, Austin, Brown & Wood; Associate White House Counsel (2001-2003)  
**Manuel Miranda** – Former Nominations Counsel, Senate Majority Leader Bill Frist (R-TN)  
**Clifford Sloan** – Publisher, Slate Magazine; Associate White House Counsel (1993-1995)  
**Ronald Weich** – Senior Counsel, Senate Minority Leader Harry Reid (D-NV)

Moderator:

**Tom Goldstein** – Goldstein & Howe, P.C.