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1:25 - 1:50 p.m. "Tort Damages Reform: Part of Finding a New Tort Law Consensus"



JOSEPH SANDERS, White Professor, University of Houston Law Center

1:50 - 2:00 p.m. Break

2:00 – 2:25 p.m. "Reforming the Civil Jury and Enhancing Civil Justice"



VALERIE P. HANS, Professor of Law, Cornell Law School

2:25 – 2:50 p.m. "Incentives for Litigation or Settlement in Large Tort Cases: Responding to Insurance Company Intransigence"



JAY M. FEINMAN, Distinguished Professor of Law, Rutgers University School of Law, Camden

2:50 - 3:00 p.m. Break

3:00 - 3:50 p.m. PANEL DISCUSSION



NEIL VIDMAR, Russell M. Robinson II Professor of Law & Professor of Psychology, Duke University



COLLEEN P. MURPHY, Professor of Law, Roger Williams University School of Law



LARRY RITCHIE, Professor of Law, Roger Williams University School of Law



GENUINE TORT REFORM

Symposium

Featuring Nationally Prominent Scholars

FRIDAY,
APRIL 20, 2007
6.5 CLE credits (RI)

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RALPH R. PAPITTO
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Ten Metacom Avenue Bristol, Rhode Island 02809

Symposium Schedule

Symposium Theme

For decades, the term "tort reform" has been used by those who wish to curtail the civil justice system. We have asked eight of the nation's most prominent scholars to suggest proposals for improving the tort and civil justice systems. In addition, two other prominent scholars join members of the Roger Williams faculty to discuss the proposals.

8:15 - 8:45 a.m. REGISTRATION - CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST

8:45 - 9:00 a.m. WELCOME -



DAVID A. LOGAN, Dean, Roger Williams University School of Law



A WORD ABOUT THE CONFERENCE -

CARL T. BOGUS,
Professor of Law, Roger Williams University School of Law

9:00 - 9:25 a.m. "The Birth of Tort Reform"



MARC S. GALANTER, John & Brosshard Professor, University of Wisconsin Law School

9:25 - 9:50 a.m. "Calling It a Leg Doesn't Make it a Leg: Wishful Thinking in the Tort Reform Area"



ELLEN WERTHEIMER, Professor of Law, Villanova University School of Law

9:50 - 10:00 a.m. Break

10:00 - 10:25 a.m. "Tort Reforms on the Merits"



PETER H. SCHUCK, Simeon E. Baldwin Professor, Yale Law School

10:25-10:50 a.m. "Tort Litigation, Transparency, and the Public Interest"



ROSS E. CHEIT, Associate Professor, Taubman Center for Public Policy, Brown University

10:50 - 11:00 a.m. Break

11:00 - 11:50 a.m. PANEL DISCUSSION



MARTHA E. CHAMALLAS, Robert J. Lynn Chair, Ohio State University School of Law



CARL T. BOGUS,

Professor of Law, Roger Williams University School of Law



TIMOTHY K. KUHNER, Assistant Professor, Roger Williams University School of Law

Noon to 1:00 p.m. LUNCH (Included with symposium registration)

12:15 - 12:45 p.m. Luncheon Talk

"Tales from the Tort Reform Wars"

LEO V. BOYLE, ESQUIRE &

MARK S. MANDELL, ESQUIRE,

both past Presidents of the American Association for Justice

(formerly ATLA)

1:00 – 1:25 p.m. "Reconsidering Tort Damages: The Social And Political Value of Civil Jury Verdicts"



DEBORAH R. HENSLER, John W. Ford Professor of Dispute Resolution, Stanford Law School