

Family As The Crucible Of Culture And Society: Inequality, Vulnerability, And Justice Within the Family

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Please Note Speakers Will Have 9-10 Minutes, With A Hard Cut-Off At 10 Minutes

Thursday, June 13	
8:00 am	Registration, Coffee and Fruit
8:30	Opening Welcome <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Robin Fretwell Wilson
8:45 – 9:50 (65 min)	Financial Vulnerability (Alimony and Property Division) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Michael Strauss (Illinois’ Alimony Guidelines) ▪ Xia Li (gender mainstreaming) ▪ Tracy Douglas (unwinding at divorce, ruinous actions) ▪ Avishalom Westreich (the Agunah Research Unit Premarital Counselling Project) ▪ <i>Moderator:</i> Reema Lateef
9:50 -10:55 (65 min)	CEDAW (Convention on the Elimination of Discrimination Against Women): The Connection between Discrimination and Women’s Vulnerability <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Hilary Gbedemah ▪ Julie A. Johnson ▪ Ruth Halperin-Kaddari ▪ Lesley Wexler ▪ <i>Moderator:</i> Margaret Brinig
10:55-11:05	Break
11:05-11:50 (50 min)	The Forgotten Family Member: Pet Custody <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Representative Stephanie Kifowit ▪ Senator Linda Holmes ▪ Stephanie Tang (pet custody agreements) ▪ <i>Moderator:</i> June Carbone

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11:50-12:05	Get Lunches
12:05 - 1:25 (80 minutes)	Lunch Discussion: Children's Rights, Social Justice, and Violence—A Discussion of REIMAGINING EQUALITY by Nancy Dowd <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Nancy Dowd (motivation for book, thesis) ▪ Representative Ann Williams (sexual violence and the role of consent) ▪ Ruby Mendenhall (the corrosiveness of gun violence) ▪ Brian Ogolsky et al. (domestic violence and child protection) ▪ Pamela Rodriguez (Treatment Alternatives for Safe Communities) ▪ <i>Moderator:</i> Robin Fretwell Wilson
1:25- 2:30 (65 minutes)	Special Vulnerability of Children <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Elsa Florence Zawedde (child marriage, coercion, Uganda) ▪ Martin Kornel (digital privacy) ▪ Qiaoyuan “Melody” Zhi (CRISPR'd babies and consent of the family) ▪ Asma Uddin (religious exercise in the family) [Skype] ▪ <i>Moderator:</i> So Young Park
2:30- 2:40	Break
2:40 – 4:00 (80 Minutes)	Nonmarriage (and Plural Marriage) as Sources of Vulnerability <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Margaret Brinig & Marsha Garrison (empirical study, 20 minutes) ▪ June Carbone (legal interests in nonmarriage relationships) ▪ Elise Goossens (cohabitation laws in Western world) ▪ Jennifer Gitahi (polygamy, Kenya) [taped remarks, virtual Q&A] ▪ <i>Moderator:</i> Marsha Garrison
4:00-5:05 (70 minutes)	Courts as Forces to Eradicate or Perpetuate Vulnerability <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Ursula Basset (vulnerability as a concept used by courts) ▪ Yulanda Curtis (veterans as a special population in need of services) ▪ Shahar Lifshitz (marital partnership, agunah) ▪ Katja Karjalainen (Protecting the Vulnerable out of Court: A Scandinavian Perspective to Continuing Powers of Attorneys) ▪ <i>Moderator:</i> Avishalom Westreich
5:05	Closing, directions to reception
Return to hotel, Travel to Reception	
6:30	Evening Reception (light hors d'oeuvres) Notre Dame's Chicago facility 224 S Michigan Avenue Welcome <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Robin Fretwell Wilson ▪ Margaret Brinig ▪ Ruth Halperin-Kaddari

Friday, June 14	
8:15 am	Registration, Coffee and Fruit
8:40 -9:50 (70 min)	Adoption and Foster Care <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Stephanie Barclay (importance of religious adoption agencies) ▪ Jordan Blair Woods (LGBT children in child welfare system) ▪ Rachael Bernal (child fatalities in CPS-involved families) ▪ Jenna Hubaishy (Families First Prevention Services Act) ▪ <i>Moderator:</i> Robin Fretwell Wilson
9:50 – 11:05 (75 min)	Control over Reproduction/Abortion <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Senator Melinda Bush (Reproductive Health Act) ▪ Lynne Marie Kohm (profile of women receiving abortions) ▪ Federica Giardini (when no willing providers exist; Italy) ▪ Colleen Campbell (Stratified Reproduction) ▪ Shaakirrah Sanders (faith healing prerogatives vs. abortion access) ▪ <i>Moderator:</i> Marsha Garrison
11:05- 11:15	Break
11:15- 12:05 50 Minutes**	The Impact Facts and Advocacy Can Make <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Margaret Ryznar (the value of family law literacy) ▪ William Kovaleski (Veteran’s Clinic; case of competing “marriages”) ▪ Oshole Angela Imhoagene (NGOs in Nigeria) ▪ <i>Moderator:</i> Margaret Brinig
12:05- 12:15	Pick up Lunches
12:15 - 1:15 (60 minutes)	Lunch Discussion: Group Discussion of Public Engagement Using LGBT Rights and Family Vulnerability as a case study <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Robin Fretwell Wilson—how books credential big ideas (Discussion of RELIGIOUS FREEDOM, LGBT RIGHTS, AND THE PROSPECTS FOR COMMON GROUND by William Eskridge, Jr. and Robin Fretwell Wilson (eds.)) ▪ Lawrence Levine (centrality of children to securing same-sex marriage) ▪ Sonia Green (LGBT dimensions) ▪ <i>Moderator:</i> Federica Giardini
1:15- 2:25 (70 minutes)	The Nature of Parentage <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Gregg Strauss ▪ Jessica Feinberg (marital presumption and rebuttal in an era of same-sex marriage) ▪ David Smolin (surrogacy) ▪ Thomas Chen, (surrogacy) [taped remarks] ▪ <i>Moderator:</i> June Carbone

2:25- 2:40	Break
2:40 – 3:40 (60 Minutes)	Obstacles to Full Participation <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Anthony Michael Kreis (sexist underpinnings of homophobia)▪ Mary Pat Treuthart (global digital divide)▪ Kathleen McCracken (female representation in Uganda)▪ <i>Moderator:</i> Ruth Halperin-Kaddari
3:40	Closing
4:00	Departures