

THE 13TH ANNUAL **JOHN PAUL STEVENS LECTURE**

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**THE HONORABLE
STEPHEN A. HIGGINSON**
U.S. Court of Appeals for
the Fifth Circuit



“The Nuremberg Trials: Lessons for Law Students, Lawyers, & Judges”

In conversation with Professor Deep Gulasekaram, Director of the Byron White Center, Judge Higginson will discuss his research on the Nuremberg Trials, focusing on their contemporary and continuing relevance for advocates and judges today. Judge Higginson is the first former clerk to Justice Byron White to deliver the Stevens Lecture.



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Schedule

Welcome Remarks

Professor P. (Deep) Gulasekaram
*Professor of Law and Director of the
Byron R. White Center*

Lecture

The Honorable Stephen A. Higginson,
U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit

Fireside Chat

Featuring Judge Higginson,
moderated by Professor Gulasekaram

Question & Answer Session

Closing Remarks

Professor P. (Deep) Gulasekaram

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BIO

Judge Stephen A. Higginson serves as a Judge on the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit. He was nominated by Barack Obama on May 9, 2011, to a seat vacated by Jacques L. Wiener, Jr. He was confirmed by the Senate on October 31, 2011, and received commission on November 2, 2011. Judge Higginson currently serves as the presiding judge of the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Court of Review. Chief Justice Roberts designated him to serve on the FISCR on February 26, 2021, and appointed Judge Higginson as the presiding judge effective August 16, 2023.

Education: Harvard College, A.B., 1983; Yale Law School, J.D., 1987; University of Cambridge, M.Phil., 1992. Professional Career: Law clerk,

Hon. Patricia Wald, U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit, 1987-1988; Law clerk, Hon. Byron White, Supreme Court of the United States, 1988-1989; Assistant U.S. attorney, District of Massachusetts, 1989-1993; Assistant U.S. attorney, Eastern District of Louisiana, 1993-2011; Associate professor, Loyola University New Orleans College of Law, 2004-2011.

**PROFESSOR P. (DEEP)
GULASEKARAM**

Professor of Law and
Director of the Byron R.
White Center



BIO

Professor P. (Deep) Gulasekaram teaches Constitutional Law and Immigration Law. His research focuses on the constitutional rights of noncitizens and federalism concerns in immigration law.

He is co-author of the leading immigration law casebook used in law schools (Immigration & Citizenship: Process and Policy (West Academic 9th Ed. 2021)). His book, The New Immigration Federalism, provides an in-depth empirical and theoretical analysis of the resurgence of state and local immigration lawmaking. He has also extensively explored the relationship between the Second Amendment and immigrants, as a way of understanding constitutional protections for noncitizens. In addition to his scholarly publications, Professor

Gulasekaram frequently comments on constitutional and immigration developments for national media outlets, and contributes pieces for the L.A. Times, the Washington Post, and SCOTUSblog, among other outlets.

Prior to Colorado Law, he was Professor of Law at Santa Clara University and taught as Visiting Professor at Stanford Law School, Berkeley Law School, University of California Berkeley, and as Acting Assistant Professor of Lawyering at New York University School of Law. Prior to academia, he was a litigation associate with O'Melveny & Meyers LLP and Susman Godfrey LLP, both in Los Angeles. He clerked for the Honorable Jacques L. Wiener Jr. on the U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit in New Orleans. In addition, he is the co-founder of the World Children's Initiative, Inc., a non-profit organization dedicated to improving health and educational infrastructure for children in developing areas around the world.

About the Program

The Stevens Lecture, sponsored by Colorado Law's Byron R. White Center for the Study of American Constitutional Law, is free and open to the public. In this discussion, Judge Stephen A. Higginson from the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit will discuss his research into the Nuremberg Trials. In conversation with Professor P. (Deep) Gulasekaram, Director of the Byron R. White Center for the Study of American Constitutional Law, he will explain the contemporary and continuing relevance of the Nuremberg Trials, and the lessons that advocates and judges can draw from that landmark proceedings of the International Military Tribunal.

The annual John Paul Stevens Lecture brings a distinguished jurist to Colorado Law to discuss judging and the state of the judiciary. United States Associate Justice John Paul Stevens delivered the inaugural lecture in September 2011.

Since then, the lecture has been given by Associate Justice Sabrina McKenna of the Hawaii Supreme Court (2023); Angela R. Riley, Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of the Citizen Potawatomi Nation of Oklahoma (2022); Judge Bernice Donald, the United States Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit (2021); former Justice of the South Africa Constitutional Court Zak Yacoob (2020); U.S. Supreme Court Justice Elena Kagan (2019); Judge Carlos F. Lucero, the United States Court of Appeals for the Tenth Circuit (2018); former Chief Judge Jonathan Lippman, New York Court of Appeals (2017); Justice Sonia Sotomayor (2016); Justice Antonin Scalia (2014); Justice Sandra Day O'Connor (2013), and Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg (2012). The signature fireside chat format of the lecture presents an opportunity for law students, lawyers, and community members to hear about the jurist's approach to the bench, their career and their legal philosophy.

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