

# **Today's Challenges to a Functional Congress: Revitalizing Article I**

A Symposium

March 15, 2019

University Club of Chicago, 76 East Monroe, Chicago, Illinois

Sponsored by the Seventh Circuit Bar Association Foundation

8:30 – 9:00

## **Registration**

9:00 – 9:30

## **Opening Remarks**

**Hon. Diane P. Wood**, Chief Judge, United States Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit

**Michael Brody**, Chair, Seventh Circuit Bar Association Foundation

9:30 – 10:00

## **Session 1** - Nature of Money in Politics

**Sheila Krumholtz**, Executive Director, Center for Responsive Politics, Washington, DC

10:00 – 10:45

## **Session 2** - Money in Politics

**Sen. Russell Feingold**, Visiting Professor, Yale Law School; former United States Senator; Middleton, Wisconsin

10:45 - 11:00

## **Morning Break**

11:00 – 11:30

## **Session 3** – Political Advertising

**Michael Franz**, Co-Director, Wesleyan Media Project; Professor, Bowdoin College; Brunswick, Maine

11:30 – 12:30

## **Session 4** – Impact of Changes in Journalism and Social Media on Democracy

**Tim Franklin**, Professor and Senior Associate Dean, Medill School of Journalism

**Angie Holan**, Editor, PolitiFact, Washington, DC

**Chris Benson**, Associate Professor, Medill School of Journalism

**Doreen Weisenhaus**, Director of the Media Law and Policy Initiative, Medill School of Journalism; Senior Lecturer, Medill School of Journalism and Northwestern University Pritzker School of Law

12:30 - 1:30

**Lunch** – Provided to In Person Attendees

1:30 – 2:45

**Session 5** - Political Redistricting/Gerrymandering

**Nick Stephanopoulos**, Professor, University of Chicago School of Law

**Chris Warshaw**, Assistant Professor, George Washington University, Washington, DC

**Katie Fahey**, Executive Director, Voters not Politicians, Grand Rapids, Michigan

2:45 – 3:00

**Afternoon Break**

3:00 - 4:15

**Session 6** - Impact of Rules of Legislatures on Democracy/Congressional Capacity

**Laurel Harbridge-Yong**, Associate Professor, Northwestern University

**Hon. Dan Lipinski**, Congressman and political scientist

**James Curry**, Assistant Professor, University of Utah, Salt Lake City, Utah

4:15 – 5:15

**Session 7** - How Do We Ensure the System Attracts the Best Candidates?

**Hon. Ray LaHood**, former Congressman and former United States Secretary of Transportation; co-author, “Seeking Bipartisanship: My Life in Politics;” Peoria, Illinois

**Hon. John Shadegg**, former Congressman; Polsinelli, Washington, DC

5:15 - 6:00

**Reception**