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Southwestern University Law Review is pleased to host **The U.S. District Court for the Central District of California, 1966-2006: Text and Context**, on **Friday, October 27**.

The symposium, marking the **40th anniversary** of the present design of California's Federal judicial districts, will examine the history of the Central District, major changes and some of the key cases decided by its judges.

Speakers include thirteen sitting **Federal District Court and Court of Appeals judges** and eight **prominent historians and law professors**. Morning panels will focus on the early history of the Court, changes in U.S. litigation practice since the 1960's, and how changes in Southern California and U.S. society generally have influenced the work of the District Court. Afternoon panels will focus on cases addressing the desegregation of Pasadena schools, the construction of the Century (105) Freeway, the interaction of the entertainment and technology industries, and law enforcement, with comments by the judges who presided over the key cases.

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## Schedule

8:00 - 9:00 a.m. Registration and Breakfast

9:00 - 9:05 a.m. Welcome
Bryant Garth, Dean, Southwestern Law School

9:05 - 9:15 a.m. Welcome and Preliminary Thoughts
Chief Judge Alicemarie Stotler, U.S. District Court for the Central District of California

### Morning Theme:
### Real People, Real Cases – A Judicial Landscape of the Central District, 1966 – 2006

9:15 - 10:40 a.m. An Overview of Changes at the U.S. District Court for the Central District of California

Moderator: Professor Isabelle Gunning, Southwestern Law School
Speakers: Bradley B. Williams, Ph.D., Ninth Judicial Circuit Historical Society, *When the Southern District Became Central: A Brief Look at the Historical Context of the Central District in 1966*
Professor Thomas D. Rowe, Duke Law School, *Authorized Managerialism Under the Federal Rules – and the Extent of Convergence with Civil-Law Judging*
Professor Judith Resnik, Yale Law School, *Whither and Whether Adjudication? The District in the Context of a Century of Changes*
Comments: Judge Robert Takasugi, U.S. District Court for the Central District of California; Dean Bryant Garth; Professor Myrna Raeder, Southwestern Law School

10:40 - 11:00 a.m. Coffee Break

11:00 a.m. - 12:10 p.m. Round-Table
How we have changed: Jurors are different, the media are different, public expectations are different, political discourse is different. Six federal judges of the Central District of California and the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals will analyze how cultural, social, political and economic changes in California have affected the way they approach their work.

Moderator: Kitty Felde, Public Radio Journalist
Participants: Judges Arthur Alarcon (9th Circuit), Florence-Marie Cooper (Central District), Ronald Lew (Central District), Richard Paez (9th Circuit), Stephen Reinhardt (9th Circuit), and A. Wallace Tashima (9th Circuit)

12:10 - 2:00 p.m. Lunch & Keynote Speaker
Professor Lawrence Friedman, Stanford Law School, *The Central District of California in Comparative Perspective*

### Afternoon Theme:
### Three Motifs from the History of the Central District and its Cases

2:00 - 3:20 p.m. The First Motif: The Late 1960s and 1970s Desegregation and Community Mobilization –The Courts and the Questioning of Institutions

Moderator: Professor Michael Epstein, Southwestern Law School
Speakers: Professor William Deverell, Director, Huntington-USC Institute on California & the West; and Rosina Lozano, Ph.D. Candidate, Department of History, University of Southern California *The Desegregation of Pasadena (1970)*
Reflections: Judge Manuel Real, U.S. District Court for the Central District of California

Speaker: Professor James Kushner, Southwestern Law School, *The Century Freeway Litigation (Keith v. Volpe)*
Reflections: Judge Harry Pregerson, 9th Circuit Court of Appeals
Comments: Professor Raphael Sonenshein, California State University - Fullerton and Professor Christopher Cameron, Associate Dean, Southwestern Law School

3:20 - 3:40 p.m. Coffee Break

3:40 - 4:20 p.m. The Second Motif: Hollywood and Technology

Moderator: Professor David Kohler, Director, Donald E. Biederman Entertainment & Media Law Institute, Southwestern Law School
Speaker: Professor David Nimmer, University of California, Los Angeles, Law School, *From the Central District to the Supreme Court - Patently Misguided?*
Reflections: Judge Stephen Wilson, U.S. District Court for the Central District of California
Comments: Professor Robert Lind, Southwestern Law School

4:20 - 5:00 p.m. The Third Motif: Crime, Law Enforcement and Controlling the Police

Speaker: Professor Karen Smith, Southwestern Law School, *Crime, Punishment and the Central District*
Reflections: Judge Consuelo Marshall, U.S. District Court for the Central District of California
Comments: Professor Janine Kim, Southwestern Law School

5:00 - 5:20 p.m. Closing Remarks
Judge Barbara Jacobs Rothstein, U.S. District Court for the Western District of Washington, and Director of the Federal Judicial Center

5:20 - 6:30 p.m. Reception

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