

About the David G. Trager Public Policy Symposium

This symposium is named for the Honorable David G. Trager, Senior Judge, United States District Court for the Eastern District of New York, who served with great distinction as Dean of Brooklyn Law School from 1983 to 1993. Judge Trager continues to be a dedicated member of the Brooklyn Law School family through his active role on the Board of Trustees and as a member of the adjunct faculty.

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Symposium Co-Chairs

Brooklyn Law School Professors Michael T. Cahill and Miriam H. Baer organized this symposium.

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Agenda

- 8:30 am** **Registration and Continental Breakfast**
- 9:00 am** **Welcoming Remarks**
Dean Joan G. Wexler
Joseph Crea Dean and Professor of Law
Brooklyn Law School
- 9:15 am** **The Psychology of Group Identity**
Speakers
Bertram F. Malle
Professor of Psychology
Brown University
Steven J. Sherman
Chancellor's Professor of Psychological and
Brain Sciences
Indiana University – Bloomington
Tom R. Tyler
Chair of Psychology and University Professor
of Psychology
New York University
Moderator
Lawrence M. Solan
Don Forchelli Professor of Law and Associate Dean
for Academic Affairs
Brooklyn Law School
- 11:00 am** **Break**

11:15 am The Morality of Imposing Collective Responsibility

- Speakers*
Meir Dan-Cohen
Milo Reese Robbins Professor of Law
UC Berkeley School of Law
John Hasnas
Associate Professor of Business Ethics, McDonough
School of Business, Georgetown University and
Visiting Associate Professor of Law, Georgetown
University Law Center
Marion Smiley
J.P. Morgan Chase Professor of Ethics
Brandeis University

1:00 pm Luncheon

2:00 pm Roundtable Discussion: Corporate Criminal Liability and the Problem of Multiple Groups

- Speakers*
Jayne W. Barnard
James Gould Cutler Professor of Law
William & Mary Law School
James A. Fanto
Professor of Law
Brooklyn Law School
Peter J. Henning
Professor of Law
Wayne State University Law School
Leonard Orland
Oliver Ellsworth Professor of Law
University of Connecticut School of Law

4:00 pm Concluding Remarks Honorable David G. Trager

Senior Judge, United States District Court for the
Eastern District of New York

About the Program

This Symposium will discuss the nature, ethics, and law of imposing punishment on collective entities. Does it make sense to impose blame on a group as a group, as opposed to its individual members? Even if blame is appropriate, how do we decide the proper form and amount of punishment? How do we even conceive of a group as having its own independent existence or identity? The answers to these questions have significant implications for the scope and enforcement of criminal law.

Over the course of several panels, the Symposium will seek to derive broad general insights from various academic disciplines and will consider the practical legal applications of those findings. It will address the psychological processes that lead people to treat groups as having independent existence, and the moral and philosophical consequences of doing so. Later discussion will apply these lessons to the specific legal context of corporate crime.

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Cost
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