# Court Web: Recent Developments in the Law of Section 1983

The Federal Judicial Center has provided the attached materials to assist courts in program planning and in applying for continuing legal education (CLE) credit for the webcast *Court Web*: *Recent Developments in the Law of Section 1983*. The materials include faculty biography, a continuing legal education application form, and a certificate of attendance (fillable and not fillable forms) for the webcast.

The Center is unable to process individual applications for CLE credit, and therefore there is no preapproval, but these materials will help you facilitate the process in your court. Each individual attorney is responsible for submitting an application for CLE and for making any payments that are required. The Center does not have course numbers for the jurisdictions; you will have to acquire that information once you apply for CLE credit in the jurisdiction for which you desire credit. With regard to the Court Training Specialist signature that is required on the Certificate of Attendance, you can have your court's Training Coordinator/Training Specialist or Human Resources Specialist/Human Resources Manager sign the certificate. (The FJC does not sign this document.) After it is signed, please submit the form to the CLE Commission or State Bar for which you seek credit. We strongly recommend that you contact your state's CLE board for information about CLE requirements, which vary from state to state.

If you have any questions about the CLE application process please contact Rhonda Starks at 202-502-4059 or <a href="mailto:rstarks@fjc.gov">rstarks@fjc.gov</a>. If you have any questions about the program in general please contact Brenda Baldwin-White at 202-502-4112 or <a href="mailto:Bbaldwin-white@fjc.gov">Bbaldwin-white@fjc.gov</a>.

## **Program Description**

# Court Web: Recent Developments in the Law of Section 1983 May 25, 2022 – 1:00 p.m.-2:00 p.m.

Host Brenda Baldwin-White, Senior Judicial Education Attorney, talks with Alex Reinert, Professor of Law at the Benjamin N. Cardozo School of Law, about 42 U.S.C. § 1983, the principal vehicle for enforcing civil rights in the federal courts. The discussion covers recent Supreme Court decisions affecting the scope of Section 1983, potential changes in the scope of defenses to Section 1983 liability, like qualified immunity, and thorny issues in Section 1983 that courts are confronted with every day.

**Faculty:** Alexander A. Reinert, Max Freund Professor of Litigation and Advocacy, Benjamin N. Cardozo School of Law.

#### ALEXANDER A. REINERT

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#### **EDUCATION**

NEW YORK UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF LAW, New York, New York

J.D., May 1999, magna cum laude

**Journal:** New York University Law Review, Note Development Editor

Note: The Right to Farm: Hog-Tied and Nuisance-Bound, 73 N.Y.U. L. REV. 1694 (1998)

**Honors:** Root-Tilden-Kern Scholar

Order of the Coif

Maurice Goodman Memorial Prize (outstanding scholarship and character)

Edward Weinfeld Prize (distinguished scholarship in procedure)

**Activities:** Teaching Assistant, Civil Procedure, Dean John Sexton

Research Assistant, Christopher Eisgruber and Larry Sager

BROWN UNIVERSITY, Providence, Rhode Island

A.B., American Civilization and Human Biology, May 1994 **Honors:** Sigma Xi Scientific Research Society

Brown University National Scholar

#### ACADEMIC EMPLOYMENT

BENJAMIN N. CARDOZO SCHOOL OF LAW, New York, New York

Max Freund Professor of Litigation & AdvocacyAugust 2019-presentProfessor of LawAugust 2013-presentAssociate Professor of LawAugust 2010-July 2013Assistant Professor of LawJuly 2007-July 2010

Courses: Civil Procedure, Constitutional Law, Criminal Law, Elements of Law, Federal Courts, Rights

of Prisoners and Detainees

Service: Adjuncts Committee (2010-2011); Appointments Committee (2008-2010; 2015-2016; Chair,

2019-2020); Cardozo Center for Rights and Justice (Faculty Director, 2015-present); Clerkship & Placement Committee (2008-2009; 2009-2010; Chair, 2014-2016); Educational

Policy Committee (2010-2011; Chair 2017-2019); Faculty Development Committee (2011-2014; Chair, 2013-2014); Skills Task Force (2012-2014); Faculty Advisor to Moot Court

Honor Society (2007-2008; 2018-2019) and Public Service Scholars (2007-2015)

<u>Honors</u>: Best First Year Professor (Awarded by Graduating Classes of 2012, 2015, 2017, and 2018)

INSPIRE Public Service Award (2012)

#### LEGAL EXPERIENCE

KOOB & MAGOOLAGHAN, New York, New York

Of Counsel
Associate

July 2007-August 2012
November 2001-July 2007

Practiced trial and appellate level civil rights litigation, focusing on prisoners' rights and employment discrimination. Cases included individual and class actions addressing prison conditions, criminal procedure, and post-September-11<sup>th</sup> civil liberties. Counsel of record in <u>Ashcroft v. Iqbal</u>, 556 U.S. 662 (2009).

#### **CLERKSHIPS**

THE HONORABLE STEPHEN G. BREYER, UNITED STATES SUPREME COURT, Washington, D.C. Law Clerk

July 2000-June 2001

THE HONORABLE HARRY T. EDWARDS, D.C. CIRCUIT COURT OF APPEALS, Washington, D.C. Law Clerk July 1999-June 2000

### UNIFORM APPLICATION FOR ACCREDITATION OF CONTINUING LEGAL EDUCATION

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