Re-Conceiving Equality and Freedom: 
Vulnerability, Dependency, and the Responsive State
January 29, 2022
Virtual Workshop
The Vulnerability and the Human Condition Initiative, Emory University School of Law, Atlanta

Saturday, January 29

10:40 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. Introductory Remarks | Martha Albertson Fineman (Robert W. Woodruff Professor of Law; Director, Feminism and Legal theory Project and Vulnerability and the Human Condition Initiative, Emory University School of Law)

11:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. Vulnerability Theory: Shifting the Paradigm
- Restructuring the Constitution for Human Resilience | Martha McCluskey (Professor of Law and Magavern Faculty Scholar, University of Buffalo)
- Everything Old is New Again: The Pandemic and the Vulnerable Subject | Kathryn Abrams (Herma Hill Kay Distinguished Professor of Law, Berkeley Law School)
- (Un)Fair Housing Law | Xiaoqian Hu (Associate Professor of Law, University of Arizona)

12:00 p.m. – 1:10 p.m. Vulnerability and Traditional Areas of Law
- Housing Trusts and Resilient Cities: Solving Property Problems Through a Vulnerable Lens | Marc Roark (Louisiana Outside Counsel of Health and Ethics Endowed Professor of Law, Southern University Law Center)
- Using Vulnerability Theory to Reconceive the Relationships Between Indigenous Nations and the United States | Laura Spitz (Professor of Law, University of New Mexico), Nazune Menka (Tribal Cultural Resources Policy Fellow, UC Berkeley School of Law)
- Market Citizenship and Resilience Allocation | Hila Keren (Associate Dean for Research and Paul E. Tresch Professor of Law, Southwestern Law School)
- The State’s Role in the Social Contract: Vulnerability Theory and the Workplace | Jonathan Fineman (Associate Dean for Student Learning & Assessment and Professor of Law, Florida Agricultural and Mechanical University)

1:10 PM – 1:40 PM LUNCH

1:40 p.m. – 2:40 p.m. Health Law in Context: health care, public health emergencies, and the state
- Vulnerability and Health Law after COVID-19: From Entitlement to Obligation | Matthew Lawrence (Associate Professor of Law, Emory University)
- Vulnerability, Disability, and Public Health Emergencies | Ani Satz (Professor of Law, Emory University)
- The Elder Catch: Engineering the Future of Caregiving | Jessica Dixon Weaver (Robert G. Storey Distinguished Faculty Fellow, Gerald J. Ford Research Fellow, and Professor of Law, SMU Dedman School of Law)

2:40 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. Vulnerability: the legal organization of the economy and access to justice
- Gender, COVID, and Care | June Carbone (Robina Chair in Law, Science and Technology and Professor of Law, University of Minnesota)
- Manufacturing Resilience | Lua Kamál Yuille (Professor of Law, Northeastern University)
- The State’s Use of Law and Public Policy to Support and Strengthen Unionization and the Labor Movement | Risa Lieberwitz (Professor of Labor and Employment Law, Cornell University)
- Vulnerability Theory and Access to Justice: Elaborating Possibilities for Legal System Design | Andrew Pilliar (Assistant Professor of Law, Thompson Rivers University)

4:00 p.m. – 4:30 p.m. Closing Remarks and Discussion

Workshop convened by Martha Albertson Fineman and Laura Spitz