

FRIDAY, AUGUST 12 AGENDA

8:00 – 9:00 a.m. Registration and Continental Breakfast

William H. Gates Hall, Room 138, First Floor

9:00 – 9:15 a.m. Welcome & Introduction

Kellye Y. Testy, Washington & AALS

9:15 - 10:30 a.m. Session I: What & Why: Deciding to Become a Dean

What is the dean's job? What are key areas of decanal responsibility?

Why become a dean? What are the rewards and challenges of deaning? When is the right time?

is the right time?

Moderator

Annette Clark, Seattle

Speakers

Kevin Johnson, UC-Davis Rachel Moran, UCLA

10:30 - 10:45 a.m. Break

10:45 a.m. - Noon Session II: Where & How: Succeeding in the Selection Process

Which deanship is the right one for you? How to get into the pool of potential candidates? How to succeed as a candidate? What should you know about interviewing, campus visit, job talk, and meetings with the university

leadership and other stake-holders?

Moderator

Ellen Suni, UMKC

Speakers

Jennifer Bard, Cincinnati Felicia Epps, Florida A&M

Eduardo Moises Penalver, Cornell

Noon - 1:30 p.m. A "Jeffersonian" Lunch

William H. Gates Hall Terrace

Tables are assigned and discussion over lunch will include reflections on the more personal side of being a dean, including considerations of identities that have been and are often marginalized by law and legal institutions.



1:45 – 3:00 p.m. Session III: Accepting the Job and Key First Steps

"Be careful what you wish for!" What should you be thinking about and negotiating for if you get an offer? What are key first steps for a newly-appointed dean?

Moderator

Shelly Broderick, District of Columbia

Speakers

Mark Alexander, Villanova Blake Morant, George Washington John Trasvina, San Francisco

3:00 - 3:30 p.m. Break

3:30 – 5:00 p.m. Session IV: Decanal Interface with Different Constituencies and Stake-Holders

What is the meaning of "shared governance"? What areas of governance have faculty primacy? Which ones belong to the dean? How to keep the university on your side? How to keep the alumni engaged and involved? How to cultivate the bench and the bar? How to interact with AALS and ABA?

Moderator

Jane Korn, Gonzaga

Speakers

Judith Areen, AALS (and Georgetown)
Barry Currier, ABA (and Cumberland and Concord)
Wendy Perdue, Richmond

5:00 - 7:30 p.m. Reception



SATURDAY, AUGUST 13 AGENDA

8:00 – 9:00 a.m. Hot Breakfast available outside Room 138, first floor

9:00 - 10:15 a.m. Session V: On Being a Leader

How does a dean lead, especially at this time in legal education? How to identify and articulate institutional goals and priorities? What are the key issues facing law schools today?

Moderator

Kellye Testy, Washington & AALS

Speakers

Stacy Leeds, Arkansas Danielle Conway, Maine Melanie Wilson, Tennessee

10:15 - 10:30 a.m. Break

10:30 a.m. - Noon Section VI: Where is the Money?

How to secure and enhance revenue generation streams? How best to interface with the university and legislators? How to raise money from alumni and donors? How to understand budgets – state and private?

Moderator

Sara Rankin, Seattle & SALT

Speakers

Daniel Rodriguez, Northwestern Rick Bird, Seattle

Noon Conference Closing

