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Race Relations in America Series Continues February 29

Golden Gate University School of Law presents the second lecture in its 1996 series, "Race Relations in America." Professor Erwin Chemerinsky will address the topic, "What Would Be the Impact of Eliminating Affirmative Action?" on Thursday, February 29 at 12:00 noon in Auditorium B at 536 Mission Street.

Professor Chemerinsky is the Legion Lex Professor of Law at the University of Southern California School of Law and is a principal spokesperson for the group of citizens fighting against the California Civil Rights Initiative, the initiative designed to eliminate the state's affirmative action laws.

He is the author of two books, *Interpreting the Constitution* and *Federal Jurisdiction*, and numerous articles. He is a frequent speaker on affirmative action and has appeared on *Nightline* discussing legal issues. He served as a TV commentator during the O.J. Simpson trial.

Following Professor Chemerinsky, three other speakers will continue the series. On Thursday, March 14, Elaine Jones, Director-Counsel of the NAACP Legal Defense and Education Fund, will speak on *Current Issues in Civil Rights Law*. On Thursday, March 21, Eva Jefferson Paterson, Executive Director of the San Francisco Bay Area Lawyers' Committee for Civil Rights, will speak on *Affirmative Action and the California Civil Rights Initiative*. Finally, on Tuesday, April 9, Professor Charles J. Ogletree, Jr., Director of the Criminal Justice Institute at Harvard Law School, will lecture on *Race in America: Lessons from the Million Man March*.

All lectures are free and open to the public. The series is funded by the Helzel Family Foundation, and co-sponsored by the San Francisco Bar Association and the Golden Gate University Black Law Students Association. California attorneys may register for one hour of continuing legal education credit for each event by calling (415) 442-6636 in advance.

Golden Gate University School of Law is located on the San Francisco campus of Golden Gate University at 536 Mission Street. The University is accredited by the Western Association of Colleges and Universities and the Law School is approved by the American Bar Association.

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