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All lectures are free and open to the public.  
Each begins at 12:00 noon (Professor Ogletree's lecture begins at 5:00 p.m.) in Auditorium B on the second floor at 536 Mission Street.  
Depending on the availability of the speaker, a reception will immediately follow each lecture.  
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RACE RELATIONS IN AMERICA

The Race Relations in America Lecture Series is an outstanding opportunity for the San Francisco Bay Area community to hear presentations from some of the leading attorneys in the nation who fought and continue to fight the battle for civil rights. These men and women have made major contributions to the struggle for equal rights in this country and continue today as leaders in the fight for justice for all. The speakers will discuss issues relating to these struggles and why the battle goes on.

JEROME McCristal Culp
Right Answers, Wrong Questions: Critical Race Theory and Affirmative Action
Tuesday, February 6, 12:00 noon

Jerome McCristal Culp is one of the nation’s leading legal scholars on racial issues and the law. His most recent writings include the following articles: “An Open Letter From One Black Scholar to Ruth Bader Ginsburg on How Not to Become Justice Sandra Day O’Connor,” “The Michael Jackson Pill: Equality, Race and Culture,” and “Black People in White Face: Assimilation, Culture and the Brown Case.”

Professor Culp received his J.D. in 1978 from Harvard University after earning an M.A. from Harvard in 1974 and a B.A. from the University of Chicago in 1972. He joined the Duke University Law School faculty in 1985 as an Associate Professor, became a Professor in 1989 and was Director of Duke’s John M. Olin Program in Law and Economics from 1989-93.

He was the Senior Editor of the Harvard Civil Rights-Civil Liberties Law Review in 1977-78 and was the Special Editor for “Economists on the Bench,” Law and Contemporary Problems, autumn 1987.

ERWIN CHEMERINSKY
What Would Be the Impact of Eliminating Affirmative Action?
Thursday, February 29, 12:00 noon

Erwin 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.

He received his J.D. from Harvard in 1978 and his B.S. from Northwestern in 1975. From 1978-79 he was an attorney with the U.S. Department of Justice Civil Division Fraud Section. In 1980 he joined the faculty of De Paul University (Chicago) Law School and then moved to the University of Southern California School of Law faculty as an Associate Professor in 1984. He became a Professor there in 1987 and has held the Legion Lex Chair since 1991.

Professor Chemerinsky has written numerous articles on affirmative action and is the author of two books: Interpreting the Constitution and Federal Jurisdiction. He is a frequent speaker on affirmative action laws and is regularly seen on programs such as Nightline.

ELAINE R. JONES
Current Issues in Civil Rights Law
Thursday, March 14, 12:00 noon

Elaine Jones is Director-Counsel of the NAACP Legal Defense and Educational Fund (LDF). She joined the LDF staff in 1970 after becoming the first African American woman to graduate from the University of Virginia School of Law. Before law school, Ms. Jones completed her undergraduate studies at Howard University, graduating with honors in political science, and served as a member of the Peace Corps in Turkey.

In 1972 she was the counsel of record in Furman v. Georgia, the landmark U.S. Supreme Court decision that abolished the death penalty in 37 states. During the 1970’s Ms. Jones also argued many employment discrimination cases including class actions against some of the nation’s largest employers (Patterson v. American Tobacco Co. and Stallworth v. Monsanto).

In 1989 Ms. Jones became the first African American female member of the American Bar Association’s Board of Governors.
EVA JEFFERSON PATERSON
Affirmative Action and the California Civil Rights Initiative
Thursday, March 21, 12:00 noon
Eva Jefferson Paterson is the Executive Director of the San Francisco Bay Area Lawyers’ Committee for Civil Rights. She has held the position for five years and previously served as the Committee’s Assistant Director.
She is the co-founder of A Safe Place, a shelter for battered women in Oakland, California. Ms. Paterson also co-founded the Coalition for Civil Rights which she has chaired since 1985. She was Vice-President of the American Civil Liberties Union national board for eight years and Chair of the Board of Equal Rights Advocates for five.
Among Ms. Paterson’s writings are articles entitled “Can’t We Get Along,” “The Future of Affirmative Action,” “Pro Bono Help for Legal Services Programs,” and “How the Legal System Responds to Battered Women.”
She received her J.D. from the University of California at Berkeley Boalt Hall School of Law and her B.A. from Northwestern University.

CHARLES J. OGLETREE, Jr.
Race in America: Lessons from the Million Man March
Tuesday, April 9, 5:00 p.m.
Charles J. Ogletree, Jr. is a Professor and Director of the Criminal Justice Institute at Harvard University School of Law. He received both his B.A. and M.A. from Stanford University and earned his J.D. from Harvard in 1978 where he was Special Projects Editor for the Harvard Civil Rights - Civil Liberties Law Review.
Perhaps best known for his work as Anita Hill’s attorney during the Clarence Thomas confirmation hearings, Professor Ogletree has also been the moderator for more than a dozen public television programs that examined issues of racism in America. The topics on these shows included “Ethics in America,” “Kids, Color and Crime,” and “Surviving the Odds: To Be a Young Black Male in America.”
In addition, Professor Ogletree is a regular guest commentator on Nightline, The News Hour with Jim Lehrer, Crossfire, Larry King Live, Meet the Press, This Week with David Brinkley, The Today Show and Good Morning America.

ALL LECTURES ARE FREE AND OPEN TO THE PUBLIC
The Race Relations in America Spring 1996 Lectures are free and open to the public.
However, there is a registration fee for individuals who wish to earn Continuing Legal Education (MCLE) credit (see below).

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