



NAME OF EVENT: ACS CA: The Constitution and Voting Rights: A Conspicuous Failure

DATE | TIME | LOCATION: May 29, 2024 | 12:00 PM - 1:30 PM, Pacific Time | Zoom

BRIEF DESCRIPTION:

To understand the source of the crises currently threatening the survival of our system of government, we must look to our history. The delegates' omissions from the US Constitution have spawned significant misconceptions that now threaten the survival of our system of government. It is therefore vital to explore these omissions.

Please join the ACS San Diego, Bay Area, and Los Angeles Lawyer Chapters in welcoming, [Lawrence Goldstone](#), author of the groundbreaking new book, *Imperfect Union*, and National Book Award finalist [Professor Adam Winkler](#) (UCLA), as they discuss why the delegates' refusal to include uniform standards for voting in national elections has haunted the United States' quest to be a true democracy from its inception to this very day.

SPEAKERS' NAMES AND BIOS:

- [Lawrence Goldstone](#), Author, *Imperfect Union*
- [Professor Adam Winkler](#), UCLA School of Law

AGENDA OF PROGRAM: (1.0 hour CLE Credit)

- 12:00 p.m. - 12:10 p.m.: Welcome and Intros
- 12:10 p.m. - 1:10 p.m.: Discussion
- 1:10 p.m. - 1:30 p.m.: Q&A and Closing

READING MATERIALS:

- John Hope Franklin, ["Legal" Disfranchisement of the Negro](#), *The Journal of Negro Education*, Summer, 1957, Vol. 26, No. 3, *The Negro Voter in the South* (Summer, 1957), pp. 241-248.

- Eliza Sweren-Becker & Michael Waldman, The Meaning, History, and Importance of the Elections Clause, 96 Wash. L. Rev. 997 (2021).
- Wayne Flynt, [Alabama's Shame: The Historical Origins of the 1901 Constitution](#), 53 Ala. L. Rev. 67 (2001).
- Richard H. Pildes, "[Democracy, Anti-Democracy, and the Canon](#)" Constitutional Commentary. 893. (2000).
- Jon Greenbaum, Alan Martinson & Sonia Gill, [Shelby County v. Holder: When the Rational Becomes Irrational](#), 57 Howard L.J. 811 (2014).
- J. W. Summers, [The Grandfather Clause](#), 7 Law. & Banker & S. Bench & B. Rev. 39 (1914).
- Samuel Brenner "[Airbrushed out of the Constitutional Canon](#)"†: [The Evolving Understanding of "Giles V. Harris"](#), 1903–1925. Michigan Law Review, 107(5), 853–879 (2009).