

Contemporary Issues in Immigration Law Belmont Law Review Fall 2021 Symposium Schedule

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Morning Session

8:00 to 8:10 a.m. Welcoming Remarks

Professor Jeffrey Usman, Faculty Advisor to the Belmont Law Review & Nicole Chanin,
Belmont Law Review Executive Symposium Editor

8:10 to 8:45 a.m.

Professor Mariela Olivares -- Migrant Family Detention and Family Separation: History,
Struggle and Current Status

8:45 to 9:20 a.m.

Professor David Baluarte -- Refugees Under Duress: International Law and the Serious
Nonpolitical Crime Bar

9:20 to 9:55 a.m.

Professor Ericka Curran -- Deporting Jane Doe: When Immigrant Crime Victims Fall Through
Gaps in the Statutes Designed to Protect Us All

9:55 to 10:30 a.m.

Professor Victor Romero -- All the Presidents' Dreamers: Immigration Reform that Biden and
Trump Can Agree On (and Why That Reform May be Elusive)

10:30 to 11:05 a.m.

Mr. Reis Pagtakhan & Ms. Jessica Jensen -- Is the Future of the U.S. Immigration System Just
North of the Border? Why Canada's Economic Immigration System Should be Adopted by
the U.S.

11:05 to 11:10 a.m. Short Break

11:10 a.m. to 12:10 p.m. Local Attorney Panel

Panelist Speakers: Ms. Rose Hernandez, Founding Partner at Saev Hernandez; Ms. Chay
Sengkounmany, lead immigration attorney at the Legal Aid Society of Middle Tennessee
and the Cumberland; Mr. Doug Russo, Managing Partner at Rose Immigration Law Firm,
PLC; and Mr. Vinh Duong, Partner at Waller Lansden Dortch & Davis, LLP.

12:10 to 1:00 p.m. LUNCH

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Afternoon Session

1:00 to 1:35 p.m.

Professor Bill Hing -- Addressing the Intersection of Racial Justice and Immigrant Rights

1:35 to 2:10 p.m.

Professor Stewart Chang -- Racial Contagion: Anti-Asian Nationalism, the State of Emergency, and Exclusion

2:10 to 2:45 p.m.

Professor Anastacia Greene -- What's Old is New: Can Past Immigration Laws Offer a New Way to Address Climate Migration?

2:45 to 3:20 p.m.

Professor Shane Dizon -- Private and Public Sector Models for Entrepreneur, Small Business Owner, and Investor Immigration Pathways

3:20 to 3:25 p.m. Closing Remarks

Maggie Hunt, Belmont Law Review Editor-in-Chief