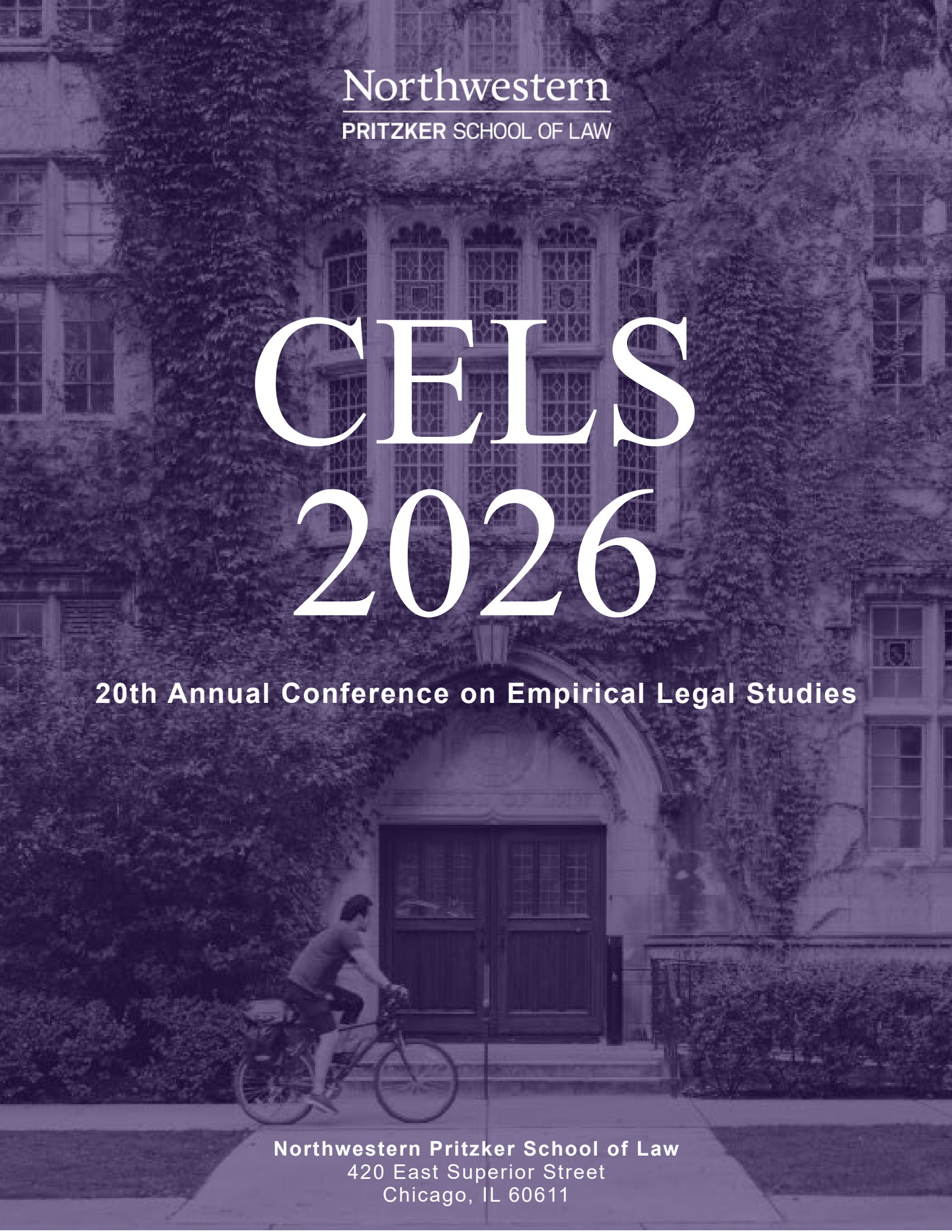


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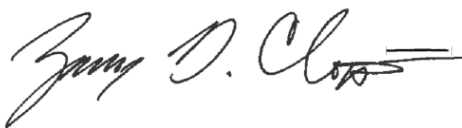
Dear CELS 2026 Participants:

It is my pleasure to welcome the 20th Annual Conference on Empirical Legal Studies (CELS) to Northwestern Pritzker School of Law. We are excited to host this assembly of empirical legal scholars from around the world and to welcome you here to Chicago and Northwestern.

Northwestern Pritzker Law is a fitting home for the twentieth edition of CELS. Interdisciplinary scholarship has a long tradition at this law school, and empirical work on law has been part of that tradition for decades, carried forward by colleagues trained in economics, psychology, and political science as well as in law. Empirical legal studies matter because law is not only a body of doctrine. It is a set of institutions that produce consequences for real people, and those consequences can be measured. The work presented over these two days does exactly that.

I want to thank the Society for Empirical Legal Studies for their partnership and give a special thanks to the team of co-organizers here at Northwestern for their dedication to planning this year's conference: Kyle Rozema, Stephanie Holmes Didwania, and David L. Schwartz. I also want to thank the hard-working Northwestern staff for all their support for this event. The amount of work that goes into putting on a conference of this size and scale is immense, and I am grateful for all their effort to produce this exceptional conference.

Sincerely,

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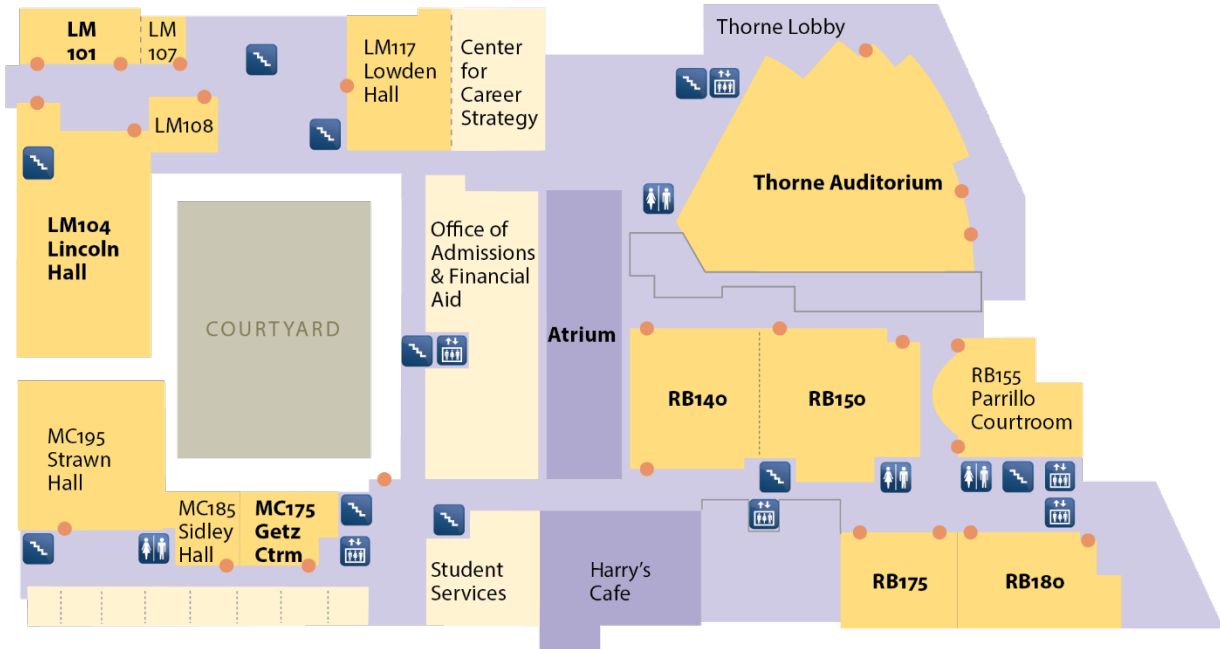
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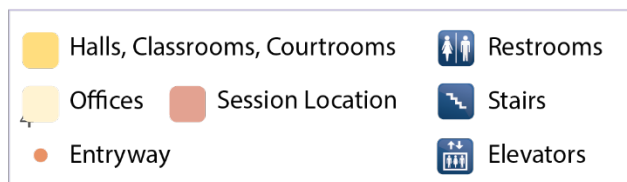
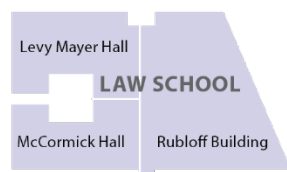


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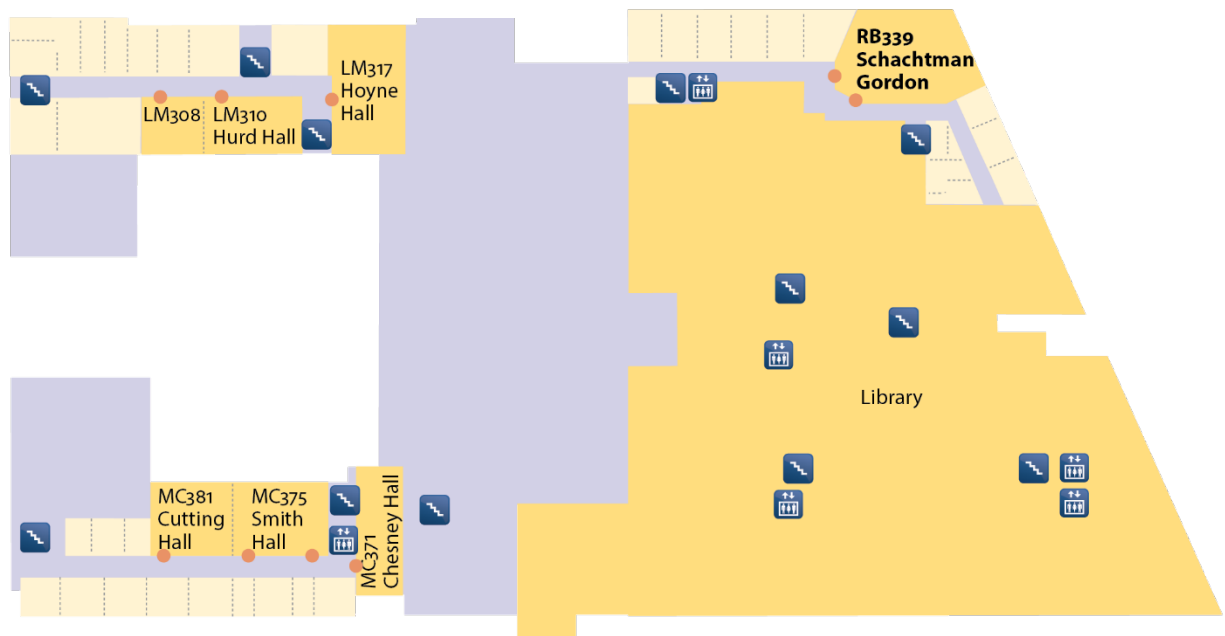


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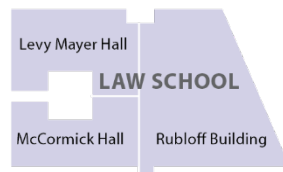


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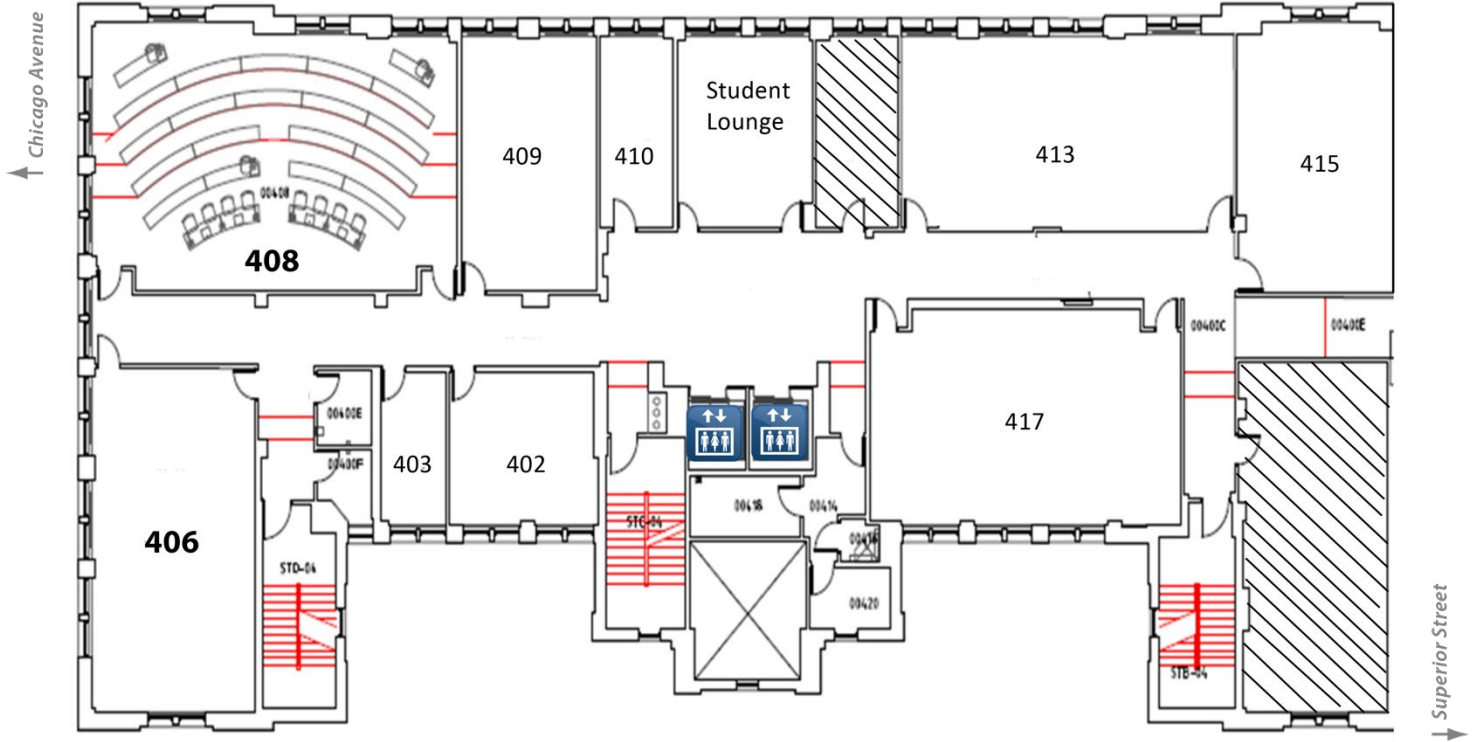
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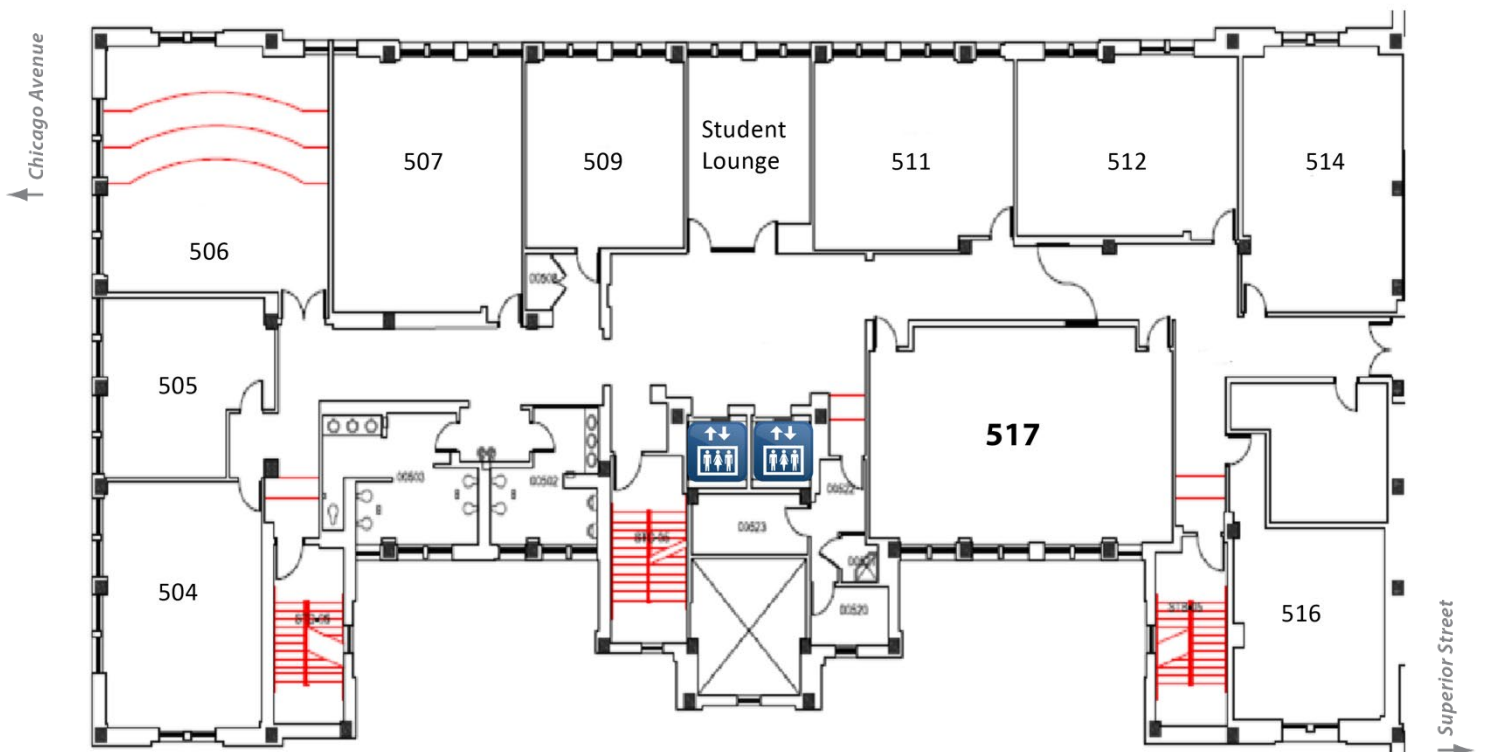


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Jui-Hsiang (Alex) Chu, *Recoverable but Not Countable: ESG Funds and the SEC Names Rule*

Christoph Engel, *Piercing the Veil of the Panel: The Power of the Justice Referee in the German Constitutional Court*

John M. Golden, *Analogous Art: Patent Law's Errant Gatekeeper*

Svenja Hippel, *How Sanction Severity Influences Actual and Perceived Detection Probabilities Conditional on Enforcement Design*

Eun Hye Kim, *Measuring Incremental Change in the Case Law*

Monika Leszczynska, *The Egocentric Reasonable Person: Whose Norms Decide What is Reasonable in Contract Law?*

Kate Litvak, *Authoritarian Lawmaking in the Shadow of Sanctions: An Empirical Study of Russia's Attempt to Boost Domestic IT*

Thomas D. Lyon, *Children's Responses to Forced-Choice Questions in Sexual Abuse Interviews and Trials*

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Yumi Park, *Pyrrhic Finality: Political Exposure and Post-Award Contestation in Investor–State Dispute Settlement*

Shaghayegh Pourvosoughi, *When She Fails: Women Entrepreneurs and Gender Gaps in Business Bankruptcy*

Dvir Yogev, *Who Counts as a “Progressive Prosecutor”? Expert Perception and the Life of a Contested Political Label*

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Discussant:	Christopher Cotropia	Jason Rantanen	Christopher Buccafusco
1F. Judging 1: Immigration Judges and Courts Wieboldt 406	Sai Zhang & Daniel Chen, <i>When</i> <i>Hierarchies Teach: Selective</i> <i>Review and Decision Alignment</i> <i>in U.S. Asylum Courts</i>	Kyusick Yang & Nathan Lee , <i>Bureaucratizing Justice:</i> <i>Executive Control in U.S.</i> <i>Immigration Courts</i>	Daniel Klerman , <i>Are Trump</i> <i>Judges Different? Evidence</i> <i>from Immigration Cases</i>
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2B. Regulation and Local Effects Wieboldt 517	Eric Helland , Cameron Shelton & Minjae Yun, <i>Debt Collection and Housing Instability</i>	Luis Faundez & Manisha Padi, <i>Licensing Enforcement and the Supply of Childcare</i>	Matthew Gustafson, Lubomir Litov & Bharat Parajuli, <i>Borders Bear the Brunt: State Environmental Review and Severed Agglomerations</i>
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Discussant:	Eric Alston	Jonathan Choi	Eric Martinez
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Discussant:	James Si Zeng	Stefan Bechtold	Michael Simkovic
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Discussant:	Matthew Dahl	Eyal Zamir	Keren Weinshall	
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