Originalism Boot Camp
The Theory and Practice of Originalist Interpretation

May 22-26, 2017
Georgetown University Law Center
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Through lectures by the nation’s preeminent originalist scholars and litigators, luncheon discussions, and visits to the United States Supreme Court, the Originalism Boot Camp exposes elite law students and recent graduates to the theory and practice of originalist interpretation.

Application
Please submit your résumé, transcript, and a brief (250 word) statement of interest by February 15, 2017. Applications will be accepted on a rolling basis, with priority for honoraria given to early applicants, and should be submitted to Fran Djoukeng at fnd3@law.georgetown.edu. The statement of interest should explain how you would be benefited by participation in the Boot Camp.

Boot Camp Highlights
- Meeting at the U.S. Supreme Court with Justice Samuel Alito (Mon)
- Lunch discussion with former Attorney General Ed Meese (Tues)
- Lunch talk by Seventh Circuit Judge Diane Sykes (Wed)
- Lunch talk by Utah Supreme Court Justice Tom Lee (Thurs)
- Meeting at the U.S. Supreme Court with Justice Clarence Thomas (Thurs)
- Panel discussion with top litigators (Fri)
- Keynote closing address by D.C. Circuit Judge Janice Rogers Brown (Fri)

Boot Camp Lecture Topics
- The Normative & Empirical Rationales For Originalism (Barnett, Solum)
- The Interpretation/Construction Distinction (Barnett, Solum)
- Criticisms of Originalism (Colby)
- Living Constitutionalism vs Living Originalism (Balkin)
- Original Methods Originalism (Rappaport)
- History, Originalism, & the Second Amendment (Malcolm, Gura, Sykes)
- Research Methods, Philosophy of Language, & Corpus Linguistics (Baude, Soames, Lee)
- Executive Power & Originalism (Prakash)

Requirements
- Current law students who will have completed their first year of law school by the start of the program or recent graduates; PhD candidates are also eligible
- Completion of at least one course in constitutional law by the start of the Boot Camp
- Interest in a judicial clerkship is not required, but is encouraged
- Attendees must be able to participate in the entire Boot Camp

Duration
- Five-day course runs from Monday, May 22 to Friday, May 26, 2017
- Morning sessions beginning at 9:00 a.m.
- Luncheon and/or afternoon meeting each day
- Welcome dinner on May 21
- Farewell Reception on May 26
Honorarium
Up to thirty accepted applicants will receive a $3,000 honorarium for their participation in the Summer Boot Camp. To receive the honorarium, participants must attend all five days of the seminar.

Housing and Travel
The Georgetown Center for the Constitution will cover travel costs and provide housing for non-resident participants. Travel will be arranged with the assistance of Georgetown Law’s travel agent.

Cancellation Policy
Students who wish to decline their acceptance must do so by March 30, 2016.