

# ANNUAL REPORT

## OCTOBER TERM 2023

**Celebrating 25 Years**



Supreme Court Institute  
GEORGETOWN LAW





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**TO:** GEORGETOWN LAW FACULTY AND STAFF

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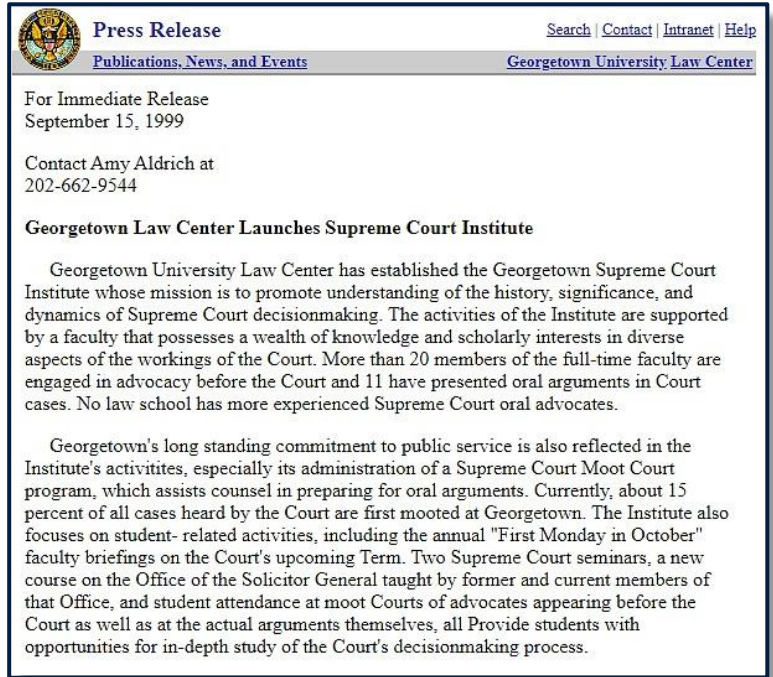
We are pleased to share the Supreme Court Institute’s (SCI) Annual Report for the 2023-2024 academic year, corresponding to the Supreme Court’s October Term 2023 (OT 23). We celebrated an important milestone this year – 2024 marks SCI’s 25th Anniversary. Our annual end of term reception honored the Institute’s 25 years of service to the bar, the Court, and the Georgetown Law Community.

SCI hosted a moot court for advocates in every case argued at the Court. In addition to the moot courts, we held our annual Supreme Court Term Press Briefing and Student Term Preview. During Reunion Weekend, we held a popular program highlighting some of the biggest cases on the Court’s docket. Overall, SCI OT 23 programming was uniformly well attended, and YouTube videos of these programs have been viewed more than 1,600 times to date.

Many Georgetown Law students had an extraordinary learning experience seeing advocates prepare for arguments in a term loaded with high-profile cases of profound significance to the nation. In total, more than 1,700 students attended SCI moot courts, many as part of a class curriculum. SCI also employed four student research assistants to manage the conflict and confidentiality protocols of our moot courts.

# SUPREME COURT INSTITUTE CELEBRATES 25 YEARS

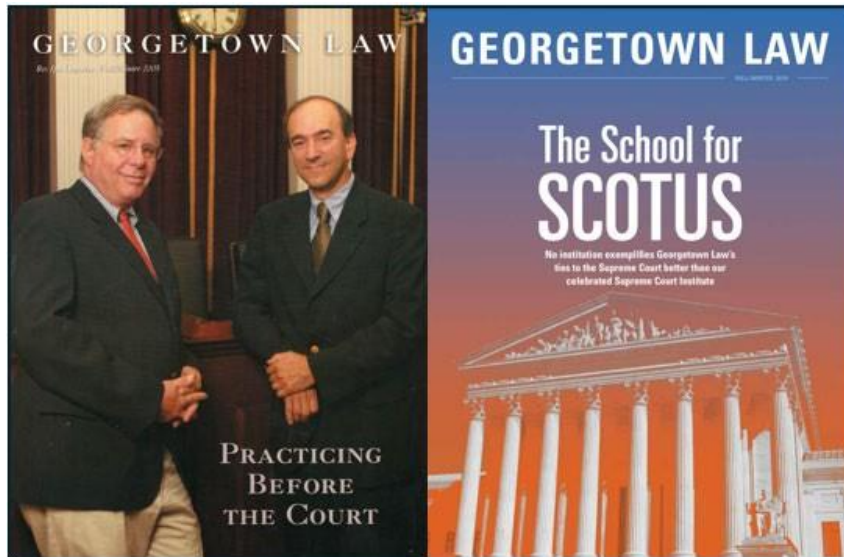
SCI launched from an idea proposed by then-Georgetown Law Professor Richard Lazarus, who reasoned that the Law Center was a natural place to host Supreme Court moots because of our location, and the faculty and local practitioners who could serve as moot court justices. Richard also knew that the students observing the moots would have an unparalleled learning experience that would be unattainable elsewhere. Key to the program were two things: 1) SCI is nonpartisan, promoting only the quality of argument at the Court and the education of our students, and 2) advocates are never charged for the moots—keeping the program accessible to all, and recognizing the volunteers’ invaluable in-kind support.



The image is a screenshot of a press release from the Georgetown University Law Center, dated September 15, 1999. The header includes the university's seal, the text "Press Release", and navigation links for "Search", "Contact", "Intranet", and "Help". Below the header, it states "For Immediate Release September 15, 1999" and provides contact information for Amy Aldrich at 202-662-9544. The main title is "Georgetown Law Center Launches Supreme Court Institute". The body text describes the institute's mission to promote understanding of Supreme Court decisionmaking, supported by a faculty with diverse expertise. It also mentions that more than 20 full-time faculty members are engaged in advocacy before the Court, and 11 have presented oral arguments. A second paragraph highlights Georgetown's commitment to public service, reflected in its Supreme Court Moot Court program, which assists counsel in preparing for oral arguments. It notes that about 15 percent of all cases heard by the Court are first mooted at Georgetown. The institute also focuses on student-related activities, including an annual "First Monday in October" faculty briefing, Supreme Court seminars, a new course on the Office of the Solicitor General, and student attendance at moot Courts of advocates appearing before the Court.

Little did Richard or anyone else involved 25 years ago foresee where this would lead us . . .

Since hosting its first moot court in the fall of 1999, the Institute is now internationally recognized for its work. We are proud to host moot courts for advocates in virtually every case argued, and we are now stretching our reach by offering moots for both sides of select cases of special national importance.



In bringing Supreme Court advocacy into the law school, it is important to stress that law student engagement is at the core of our work. SCI's many partnerships with faculty who incorporate moot courts into their curricula provide an invaluable opportunity for our students that highlights the real-world application of case study. In contentious times, students can see the significant role that lawyers play in all of our lives. Not only do they observe the moots, but students also have the opportunity to engage with the advocates and attend or listen to the oral argument, as well. SCI is a valuable part of the Georgetown Law experience that cannot be duplicated elsewhere.



How did we get here? Our program has grown and exists in its current form because of Dean Bill Treanor, who has allowed us to flourish as a teaching experience, using precious tuition dollars to fund our work. It is that support that enables us to engage and serve all without regard to position or party represented. Thank you, Dean Treanor, for all you have done. We also have tremendous gratitude to everyone at Georgetown Law who contributes to our program—staff, faculty, and students. And to our hundreds of volunteers: the Institute's moot court program succeeds because of your extraordinary generosity.

## The Supreme Court Institute Moot Courtroom

The beautiful SCI Moot Courtroom, located in the Eric E. Hotung International Law Center Building, is used for most SCI Moot Courts. To coincide with the Institute's 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary celebration, signage was added to formally designate the space as the home of Supreme Court Institute. This addition will also serve a very practical function—helping volunteers and new students locate the room, and letting visitors know what is behind the closed doors. The SCI staff is grateful for all the work done to plan and complete this project.



## SUPREME COURT INSTITUTE TERM PREVIEW REPORT

SCI published its 17th annual Supreme Court Term Preview Report. This publication previewed the Court’s argument docket for OT 23. At the time of publication, the Court had accepted 22 cases for review.

Working with SCI Executive Director Professor Irv Gornstein, five summer research assistants and SCI Assistant Director Kal Golde prepared detailed summaries of cases on the Court’s argument docket. The report included these summaries, organized by subject matter, and a section highlighting some of the most noteworthy cases.

This publication is much anticipated by members of the Supreme Court Bar and the press as they prepare for the start of the new term. We share copies with the entire roster of SCI volunteers, members of the Supreme Court press corps, law school faculty and staff. An archive of SCI’s Term Previews is available on the [Institute’s website](#).



## SUPREME COURT INSTITUTE OT 23 MOOT COURT PROGRAM

During OT 23, SCI provided moot courts for advocates in 60 cases, all cases argued this term. As in past terms, the varied affiliations of advocates mooted reflects SCI’s commitment to assist advocates without regard to the party represented or the position advanced.<sup>1</sup>

To expand our service to the Court and the Georgetown Law community, SCI offered moots to both parties, with mutual consent, in select cases that were of exceptional national importance. Through careful security and confidentiality practices, these “double moots” remain a successful expansion of our moot court program, offering more engagement opportunities to both advocates and the law school community. This term, we held moot courts for both sides in five of the Court’s cases – involving the presidential election, abortion, environmental regulations, First Amendment free speech rights, and Armed Career Criminal Act sentencing guidelines.

A list of all SCI moot courts held in OT 23—organized by sitting and moot court date, including the name and affiliation of each advocate and the number of Georgetown observers—is included at the

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<sup>1</sup> SCI Policies & Procedures provide that, in general, whichever side submits the first request to the SCI Director is offered a moot. If both sides request the moot within the first 48 hours following the grant, however, a coin flip decides who will get the moot: heads, the moot goes to petitioner; tails, the moot goes to respondent.

end of this report. Comparable figures from the past 9 terms, OT 13 through OT 22, are also included. Select facts and figures about SCI moot courts this term appear below.

## MOOT COURT STATISTICS

SCI mooted counsel in every case on the Court’s OT 23 merits docket. In all, the Institute hosted 64 moot courts for 57 different advocates.<sup>2</sup> Moot court panels were comprised of 222 unique “justices” filling 318 seats, averaging a five-member panel for each moot court. 37% of the advocates we mooted—22 attorneys—were preparing for their first Supreme Court argument. At the other end of the experience spectrum, we held moot courts for three advocates who formerly served as Solicitor General or Acting Solicitor General of the United States: Paul Clement, Noel Francisco, and Neal Katyal.

The infographic is divided into two main sections. The left section, titled 'FACTS AND STATS', features a dark blue background with white and light blue text. It states '100% of Cases in OT 2023' and 'The Supreme Court Institute held a moot in every case argued last term on the merits docket.' The right section, titled 'Most-Mooted Advocates' and 'Most-Mooted Organizations', has a light grey background with dark blue text. It lists advocates with 3 moots (Easha Anand, Lisa Blatt) and 2 moots (Paul Clement, Kelsi Corkran, Shay Dvoretzky, Jessica Ellsworth, Jeff Fisher, Jeff Green, Jonathan Mitchell, Aaron Nielson, Kannon Shanmugam). It also lists organizations with 5 moots (Stanford Supreme Court Litigation Clinic), 4 moots (Hogan Lovells, Jones Day), and 3 moots (Texas Office of the Attorney General, Williams & Connolly).

Category	Count	Entities
Most-Mooted Advocates	3 moots	Easha Anand, Lisa Blatt
Most-Mooted Advocates	2 moots	Paul Clement, Kelsi Corkran, Shay Dvoretzky, Jessica Ellsworth, Jeff Fisher, Jeff Green, Jonathan Mitchell, Aaron Nielson, Kannon Shanmugam
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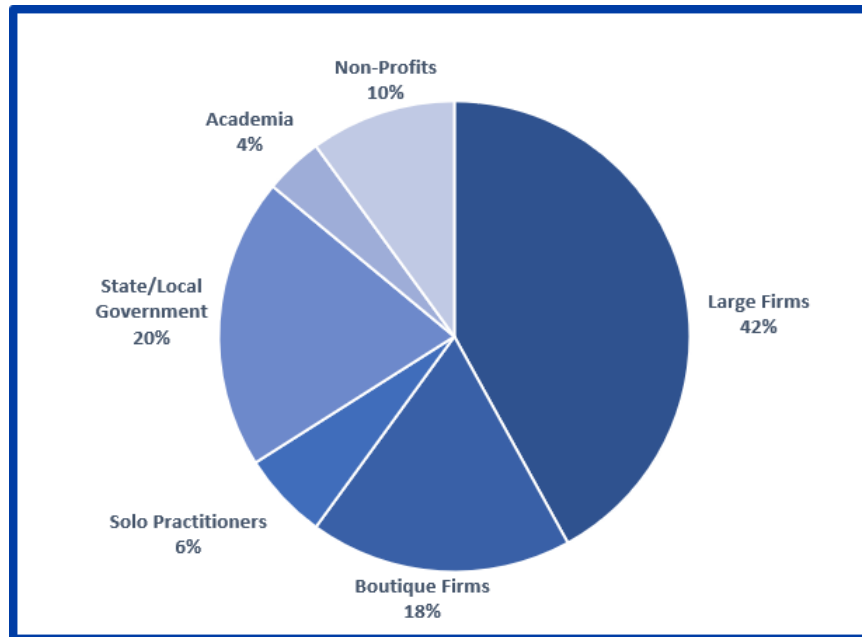
The varied affiliations of advocates mooted this term reflect SCI’s continued commitment to assist counsel regardless of the party they represent or the position they advance:

- We assisted **10 advocates** appearing on behalf of a **criminal defendant/habeas petitioner**.
- We provided **11 moot courts for 10 advocates** representing **9 states**: Arizona, Colorado, Florida, Idaho, Louisiana, New Mexico, New York, Ohio, and Texas.
- We mooted advocates affiliated with:
  - **5 nonprofit organizations**: Alliance Defending Freedom, Council on American-Islamic Relations, Institute for Justice, NAACP, and Public Citizen.
  - **2 law schools**: Stanford and Georgetown.
  - **30 private law practices**:
    - 10 advocates affiliated with **9 small/boutique firms** (fewer than 100 attorneys).
    - 32 advocates affiliated with **21 large firms** (100 or more attorneys).

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<sup>2</sup> The number of moot courts and unique advocates differs for OT 23 because SCI provided multiple moot courts for a few repeat advocates this term, as well as single moot courts for a few pairs of advocates in cases that were consolidated or presented similar issues.

## OT 23 Advocates by Affiliation



More moots were held for advocates representing petitioners or appellants (34 moots or 53%) than those held for counsel representing respondents or appellees (29 moots or 45%). One moot prepared an advocate appointed by the Court to defend the judgment below.

As in prior terms, the number and percentage of male advocates (we mooted 44 men, or 77% of all advocates) far surpassed female advocates (we mooted 13 women, or 22% of all advocates).

In five cases, we held two separate moots, either for both parties or for one party, as well as a Court-appointed amicus.<sup>3</sup>



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<sup>3</sup> In OT 23, SCI mooted petitioner and respondent in *Trump v. Anderson*; *Danco Laboratories v. Alliance for Hippocratic Medicine*; *Erlinger v. United States*; *Ohio v. Environmental Protection Agency, et. al*; and *NetChoice v. Paxton*.



## MOOT COURT PANELISTS

SCI is fortunate that many attorneys generously donate their time and expertise by serving as moot court justices. The SCI moot court program brings volunteers to the Georgetown Law campus from more than 100 organizations—and every term, these volunteers include several Georgetown Law graduates! We are especially grateful to the many members of the Georgetown Law faculty who serve on moot court panels—they make our program possible! This term 78% of our moot court panels included at least one Georgetown Law professor.

### Most-Frequent GULC Panelists

28 moots: Prof. Irv Gornstein

9 moots: Prof. Glen Nager

### Most-Frequent External Panelists

7 moots: Jonathan Bond

5 moots: Chris Michel, Hash Mooppan



## PARTICIPANTS BY GENDER<sup>4</sup>

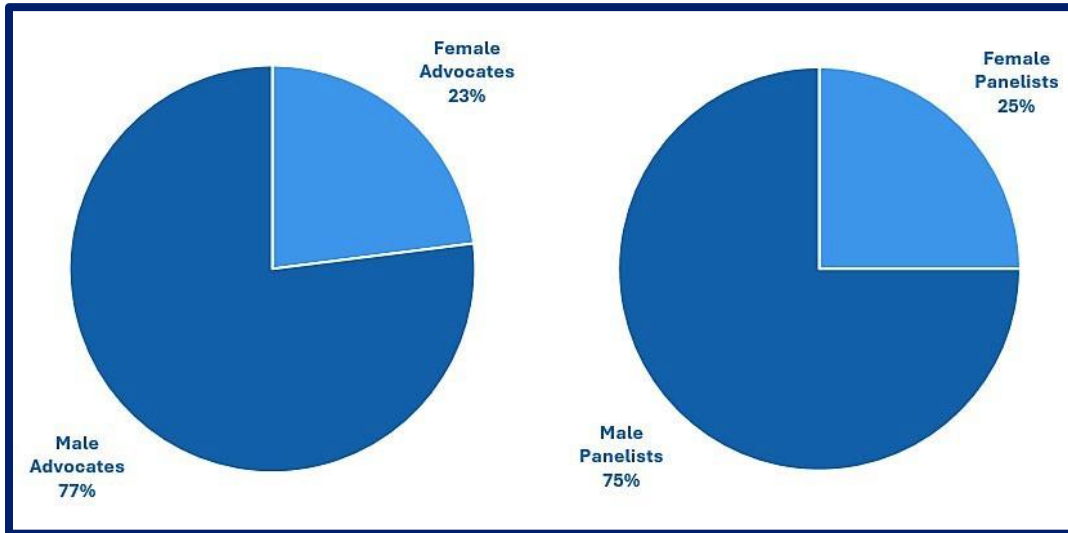
There continues to be little diversity among advocates who argue at the Court; a small minority are women or people of color.<sup>5</sup> SCI confirms at least one female participant for every moot court panel

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<sup>4</sup> SCI does not ask advocates or panelists to disclose personal information, including gender identity. We apologize for any error made here.

<sup>5</sup> SCI normally moots only one side of a case, so the profile of our advocates does not reflect the full roster of arguing counsel. According to data aggregated by Empirical SCOTUS, during the October Term 2023 among all advocates, 71%

and aspires to include the same representation of panelists of color. As firms, judges, and other organizations practicing before the Supreme Court increase their employment of underrepresented groups, we actively seek to increase the diversity of our volunteer roster.



## ATTENDANCE AT SCI MOOT COURTS

Georgetown Law student and faculty attendance at SCI moot courts was robust. A total of 1,700 student observers attended this term’s moots. Our moot in *United States v. Rahimi*, a Second Amendment case with two Criminal Justice classes in attendance, was this term’s most well-attended moot (213 observers). Other popular moots were *Acheson Hotels LLC v. Laufer* (154 observers); *Trump v. Anderson* (125 observers); *City of Grants Pass v. Johnson* (116 observers); *NetChoice v. Paxton* (91 observers); and *Consumer Financial Protection Bureau v. Consumer Financial Services Association* (84 observers).

OT 2023 MOOT COURT OBSERVERS	HIGHEST-ATTENDED MOOT COURT IN OT 2023
<b>1700 students (average 27 per moot court)</b>	<b><i>United States v. Rahimi</i>: 213 observers</b>
OT 2022: 1633 students (average 26 per moot) OT 2021: 1384 students (average 22 per moot) OT 2020: 1945 students (average 31 per moot) OT 2019: 1114 students (average 19 per moot) OT 2018: 1360 students (average 19 per moot) OT 2017: 1421 students (average 23 per moot) OT 2016: 1114 students (average 17 per moot) OT 2015: 1330 students (average 20 per moot) OT 2014: 1580 students (average 23 per moot) OT 2013: 1485 students (average 22 per moot)	OT 2022: <i>New York State Rifle &amp; Pistol Association v. Bruen</i> , 244 OT 2021: <i>Mallory v. Norfolk Southern Railway</i> , 281 OT 2020: <i>Ford Motor Company v. Montana Eighth Judicial District</i> , 471 OT 2019: <i>Bostock v. Clayton County, GA</i> 334 OT 2018: <i>Mitchell v. Wisconsin</i> , 223 OT 2017: <i>Masterpiece Cakeshop v. Colorado Civil Rights Commission</i> , 289 OT 2016: <i>Pena-Rodriguez v. Colorado</i> , 250 OT 2015: <i>Utah v. Strieff</i> , 251 OT 2014: <i>Obergefell v. Hodges</i> , 199 OT 2013: <i>Walden v. Fiore</i> , 208

identified as male, 29% female. See <https://empiricalscotus.com/2024/07/01/2023-stat-review/> (last accessed August 20, 2024).

## PARTNERSHIPS WITH GEORGETOWN LAW FACULTY

SCI moot courts were integrated into the curriculum of many courses during the 2023-2024 academic year, including:

- **Professors Irv Gornstein and Marty Lederman’s Constitutional Law students (students in Section 4)** attended the moot court for counsel for respondent (and Georgetown Law Professor) Kelsi Corkran, in *Acheson Hotels LLC v. Laufer*, No. 22-429. The issue was whether a self-appointed Americans with Disabilities Act “tester” has Article III standing to challenge a place of public accommodation’s failure to provide disability accessibility information on its website, even if she lacks any intention of visiting that place of public accommodation.
- **Professor Allegra McLeod’s Democracy and Coercion class, and Professor Sherally Munshi’s Property in Times class (students in Section 3)** attended the moot court for respondent in *City of Grants Pass v. Johnson*, No. 23-175. The issue was whether the enforcement of generally applicable laws regulating camping on public property constitutes “cruel and unusual punishment” prohibited by the Eighth Amendment.



- **Professor Mike Gottesman and Julie O’Sullivan’s Criminal Justice students (students in Section 5), Professor Allegra McLeod’s Legal Justice Seminar students, and Professor Susan Bloch’s Constitutional Law and Supreme Court Seminar students** attended the moot for respondent in *United States v. Rahimi*, No. 22-915. The issue was whether 18 U.S.C. § 922(g)(8), which prohibits the possession of firearms by persons subject to domestic-violence restraining orders, violates the Second Amendment on its face.
- **Professor Eloise Pasachoff’s Appropriations Law class, and Professor Susan Bloch’s Supreme Court Seminar and Constitutional Law students** attended the moot court for respondent in *Consumer Financial Protection Bureau v. Consumer Financial Services Association*, No. 22-448. The issue was whether the court of appeals erred in holding that the statute providing funding to the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau, 12 U.S.C. § 5497, violates the appropriations clause in Article I, Section 9 of the Constitution, and in vacating a regulation promulgated at a time when the Bureau was receiving such funding.

- **Professors David Cole and Kelsi Corkran’s Free Speech Seminar** attended the moot for petitioner in *Lindke v. Freed*, No. 22-611. The issue was whether a public official’s social media activity can constitute state action only if the official used the account to perform a governmental duty or under the authority of his or her office.



- **Professors Dorothy Brown and Emily Satterthwaite’s Federal Income Taxation students** attended the moot for petitioner in *Moore v. United States*, No. 22-800. The issue was whether the 16th Amendment authorizes Congress to tax unrealized sums without apportionment among the states.
- **Professor Brian Wolfman’s Appellate Immersion Clinic students** attended Prof. Wolfman’s moot as counsel for petitioner in *Muldrow v. City of St. Louis, Missouri*, No. 22-193. The issue was whether Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 prohibits discrimination in transfer decisions absent a separate court determination that the transfer decision caused a significant disadvantage.
- **Professor Michelle Ueland’s Legal English graduate students** attended the moot for petitioner in *Pulsifer v. United States*, No. 22-340, a case involving the interpretation of the federal sentencing law that allows defendants to avoid mandatory minimum sentences for certain nonviolent drug crimes. Professor Ueland’s students also attended the moot for petitioner in *Murray v. UBS Securities*, No. 22-660, where the question presented involved the statutory interpretation of the whistleblower protection provision of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act.
- **Professor Brad Snyder’s Constitutional Law II students** attended the moot for petitioner in *NetChoice v. Paxton*, No. 22-555. The issue was whether Florida and Texas laws that restrict select websites from certain editorial choices violate the First Amendment.
- **Professor Cliff Sloan’s Death Penalty Litigation Practicum students** attended the moot for respondent in *Thornell v. Jones*, No. 22-982. The issue was whether the U.S. Court of Appeals for the 9th Circuit misapplied the Supreme Court’s 1984 decision in *Strickland v. Washington*—which sets out the test to determine whether a lawyer’s performance was so inadequate that it violated the Constitution—when it reversed the district court and granted habeas relief.

- **Professor Michele Goodwin’s Reproductive Rights Seminar students** attended the moot for petitioner in *Danco Laboratories, L.L.C. v. Alliance for Hippocratic Medicine*, No. 23-236. In that case, petitioner challenged respondents-plaintiffs’ Article III standing to challenge the Food and Drug Administration’s regulatory actions regarding mifepristone.

## Regular Partnerships with Faculty

Several professors routinely incorporate SCL moot courts into their class curricula:

Appellate Courts Immersion Clinic (Professor Brian Wolfman)

Appellate Advocacy Clinic (Professor Erica Hashimoto)

Federal Practice Seminar: Contemporary Issues (Professor Irv Gornstein and Judge Nina Pillard)

Criminal Procedure and the Roberts Court Seminar (Professor Irv Gornstein and Judge Pamela Harris)

Supreme Court Litigation Seminar (Professor Donald Ayer)

Supreme Court Seminar (Professor Susan Bloch)



This year, these professors required or recommended that their students attend the following moots. The subject matter of these moots included criminal law and procedure, gerrymandering, admiralty law, and administrative law. Many professors bringing their students to a moot also served as a moot court justice for that case.

### ***Alexander v. South Carolina State Conference of the NAACP, No. 22-807***

Whether the Supreme Court should grant a partial stay of the district court panel’s injunction to allow South Carolina’s 2024 congressional elections to proceed under the General Assembly’s enacted plan and election calendar.

### ***Corner Post v. Federal Reserve***

Whether a plaintiff’s Administrative Procedure Act claim “first accrues” when an agency issues a rule or when the rule first causes a plaintiff to be adversely affected.



***Diaz v. United States, No. 23-14***

Whether the district court acted within the scope of its discretion when it determined that Federal Rule of Evidence 704 permitted expert testimony that in most circumstances drug-trafficking organizations do not use unwitting couriers to import large shipments of drugs into the United States.

***Erlinger v. United States, No. 23-370***

Whether the Constitution requires a jury trial and proof beyond a reasonable doubt to find that a defendant's prior convictions were "committed on occasions different from one another," as is necessary to impose an enhanced sentence under the Armed Career Criminal Act.

***Great Lakes Insurance v. Raiders Retreat Realty, No. 22-500***

Under federal admiralty law, can a choice-of-law clause in a maritime contract be rendered unenforceable if enforcement is contrary to the "strong public policy" of the State whose law is displaced?

***Harrow v. Dept. of Defense***

Whether the 60-day filing deadline in 5 U.S.C. § 7703(b)(1)(A) is jurisdictional.

***McIntosh v. United States***

Whether a district court may enter a preliminary criminal forfeiture order outside the time limitation set forth in Federal Rule of Criminal Procedure 32.2(b)(2)(B).

***Securities and Exchange Commission v. Jarkesy, No. 22-859***

Whether a defendant is entitled to a jury trial when the Securities and Exchange Commission seeks civil penalties for securities fraud.



## OTHER MOOT COURT OBSERVERS

To further our academic mission and support the teaching of our volunteers and advocates, SCI permits students not enrolled at Georgetown Law to attend a moot court with their professors, by prior arrangement with the advocate.<sup>6</sup>

This term, SCI hosted students in three Supreme Court litigation clinics:

**Harvard Law Supreme Court Litigation Clinic.** Attorneys at Goldstein Russell Woofert host a week-long course in Washington for Harvard Law students. Each January, SCI works with the firm to arrange for the clinic students to observe an SCI moot court. This year the students observed our moot court for Alexander Samuels, counsel for respondent, in *Smith v. Arizona*, No. 22-899.

**Stanford Law Supreme Court Litigation Clinic.** Clinic students attended the February moot court for petitioner in *Diaz v. United States*, No. 23-370, held on behalf of their professor, Jeff Fisher.

**West Virginia University Law Supreme Court Clinic.** Clinic students virtually attended the April moot court for respondent in *Thornell v. Jones*, No. 22-982, and observed their Professor Lawrence Rosenberg on the panel.

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<sup>6</sup> SCI moots are generally open only to students currently enrolled at Georgetown Law.

In April, participants in the **Supreme Court Fellows Program** attended our moot court for respondent in *Smith v. Spizzirri*, No. 22-1218. Fellows in this program serve for one year in one of four different placements: at the Supreme Court of the United States, the Administrative Office of the U.S. Courts, the Federal Judicial Center, and the U.S. Sentencing Commission. The program also includes special activities that are part of the year-long experience, including for the last several years, attendance at an SCI moot court.



## COMMENTS AND THANK YOU'S

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I wanted to reiterate my profound thanks for the excellent moot. I've done a lot of moots over the years, and I can't think of another one that had a more significant effect on my ultimate approach at argument. I can't say I did everything precisely the way I'd been hoping after our moot... but I think things went much better today due to the excellent feedback.

- **Hash Mooppan, Jones Day**

You all are so great. I'm so indebted to you.

- **Neal Katyal, Hogan Lovells**

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I want to thank all of you, as well the Supreme Court Institute, for the moot court in this case. The argument was held on Tuesday and I think went well. The opportunity to respond to your questions during the moot and to get the benefit of your insights afterward was extremely helpful. I am grateful for your help.

- **Rick Simpson, Wiley Rein**

Your moots are always the best, and this panel was simply superb. So thank you again!!!

- **Dan Geyser, Haynes and Boone**

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Thank you again for organizing and facilitating! This is such a valuable service, and I'm so grateful to be able to take advantage of it.

- **Easha Anand, Stanford Supreme Court Litigation Clinic**



Thank you both, so much, for all of the hard work you put into today's moot. And please thank the other panelists on my behalf as well. It's really going to help me zero in on the most important points for the rest of my prep this next week.

- **Jaime Santos, Goodwin**

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It was a great way to prepare. I knew the knives would be coming out, but this panel really focused in on some areas where we need to shore up our answers.

- **Traci Lovitt, Jones Day**

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Thank you both so much for everything. Today was extremely helpful for me and I know it couldn't have happened without a ton of work from you.

- **Alex Samuels, Principal Deputy Solicitor General of Arizona**

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The students had great questions and it was a pleasure to speak to them. I am a big fan of the Institute and always happy to help... In the aftermath of the argument itself, the moot was really, really helpful.

- **Jeff Green, Green Law Chartered**

Attending Supreme Court Institute moots reminds me just how fortunate I am to attend Georgetown University Law Center. SCI moots provide unparalleled access to the Supreme Court advocacy process. There is truly nothing like it!

- **Ashlee Floyd, L'25**

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Participating in SCI moot courts has significantly enhanced my educational journey. . . Unlike conventional textbooks where cases are merely described, in SCI moot courts, we are directly engaged with practicing attorneys who present cases. This interactive environment has allowed me to gain a deeper understanding of the complexities involved in defending a case as an attorney.

- **Ryan Yen-Hsuan Chen, L'24**

Supreme Court Institute moots provide an opportunity I haven't found anywhere else in law school: the opportunity to see the development of the arguments the Court will consider, and to understand the logical and practical considerations that underly the sometimes-enigmatic rules found in their opinions.”

- **Isaac Kabrick, L'25**

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### SCI Research Assistants

Student involvement in our program includes the opportunity to serve as a research assistant. Each term, Georgetown Law students are selected to work with SCI for the academic year. These students implement our conflict and confidentiality procedures—a responsibility that is essentially a year-long course in Supreme Court procedure, professional conflicts, and the contemporary Court. During the summer, SCI Executive Director Irv Gornstein also hires a team of four student research assistants to draft case summaries for our annual Term Preview.



From left, Blake Phillips (L'24), Hasala Ariyaratne (L'24), Jordan Dwyer (L'25), Zenia Grzebin (L'25), and SCI Assistant Director Maddie Sloat (L'27).

## SCI PROGRAMMING AND PRESS COVERAGE

### Annual SCI Press Term Preview, September 20, 2023

SCI held its annual press briefing covering some of the most significant cases to be considered in OT 23. The panel was moderated by Professor Gornstein, and panelists included Lisa Blatt (Williams & Connolly), Professor David Cole (ACLU), Roman Martinez (Latham & Watkins), and Hashim Mooppan (Jones Day). The discussion included a question-and-answer session with members of the Supreme Court press. A video of this and past press briefings may be accessed on the [SCI Website](#).



Select media coverage and engagement: New York Times<sup>7</sup>, Bloomberg<sup>8</sup>, ABC<sup>9</sup>, Time<sup>10</sup>, and YouTube Video (1,300 views).<sup>11</sup>

<sup>7</sup> <https://www.nytimes.com/2023/10/01/us/supreme-court-docket-guns-free-speech.html> (last accessed June 26, 2024).

<sup>8</sup> <https://news.bloomberglaw.com/ip-law/supreme-court-has-pile-of-cases-from-conservative-5th-circuit> (last accessed June 26, 2024).

<sup>9</sup> <https://abcnews.go.com/Politics/supreme-court-cases-2023-docket-set-include-guns/story?id=103415858> (last accessed June 26, 2024).

<sup>10</sup> <https://time.com/6319166/supreme-court-new-term-abortion-guns/> (last accessed June 26, 2024)

<sup>11</sup> <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Jhe-c8mdK6Q> (last accessed June 26, 2024).

## Annual SCI Student Term Preview, October 4, 2023

SCI Executive Director Irv Gornstein (pictured far right) moderated this year's panel discussion of some of the most significant cases on the Court's OT 23 docket. The panelists were (pictured, left to right) Professors Michele Goodwin, Caroline Fredrickson, Marty Lederman, and Brian Wolfman. This annual event is co-sponsored by the Georgetown Law chapters of the American Constitution Society and Federalist Society.<sup>12</sup>



## SCI Annual Alumni Term Highlights Program, October 20, 2023



SCI hosted its annual Supreme Court preview during Georgetown Law's Reunion Weekend. We had a packed house! Panelists included Professors Michele Goodwin (on Zoom), Marty Lederman, and Irv Gornstein, who served as moderator. The panel discussed some of the most significant cases heard by the Court in the past term and looked forward to what to expect in OT 23.

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<sup>12</sup> <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mE72MAoRPdI&t=4422s> (last accessed June 26, 2024).

## United Kingdom Supreme Court Judicial Assistants

The Supreme Court Institute has a longstanding partnership with the American Inns of Court. Each spring, SCI hosts a group of Judicial Assistants to Justices on the Supreme Court of the United Kingdom (the equivalent of U.S. Supreme Court Clerks), led by Judge Thomas L. Ambro, a senior judge on the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit. SCI staff met with the group to discuss the Institute’s moot court program and American Supreme Court practice.



*Judge Tom Ambro and U.K. Supreme Court Judicial Assistants*

## End of Term Reception: SCI’s 25th Anniversary Celebration

The Supreme Court Institute’s annual celebration marks the completion of Supreme Court arguments for the current term. The event is held to thank those who volunteered as moot court justices and participated in other SCI programs, and to recognize an honoree who has contributed significantly to the work of the Supreme Court. Since 2000, it has been a “must attend” annual gathering for many members of the legal community.



This year, we had a very special honoree – The Supreme Court Institute! We celebrated the program’s service to the bar, the Court, and the Georgetown Law community, and the individuals whose vision and hard work have made the program possible.



Chief Justice John G. Roberts was the keynote speaker. Remarks were also shared by Solicitor General Elizabeth Prelogar, former Solicitor General Paul Clement, and SCI Founder Richard Lazarus. SCI Faculty Director Steve Goldblatt, Executive Director Irv Gornstein, and Director Debbie Shrager honored the many past and present individuals who have made significant contributions to the Institute’s work since its founding.

We were honored that Associate Justices Brett Kavanaugh and Elena Kagan also attended the event. Other attendees included members of the bench and bar, Supreme Court press, Georgetown Law faculty, administration, and staff, as well as students who participated in closely affiliated classes.

## APPENDIX A

### October Sitting

#### *Pulsifer v. United States*

No. 22-340, 9/27/23

Advocate: Shay Dvoretzky, Skadden

Georgetown Observers: 53

Class: Oral Communication in Law (Ueland)

#### *Consumer Financial Protection Bureau v.*

#### *Consumer Financial Services Association*

No. 22-448, 9/28/23

Advocate: Noel Francisco, Jones Day

Georgetown Observers: 84

Class: Appropriations Law (Pasachoff), Federal Practices Seminar (Gornstein), Supreme Court Seminar (Bloch), Constitutional Law (Bloch)

#### *Acheson Hotels LLC v. Laufer*

No. 22-429, 9/29/23

Advocate: Kelsi Corkran, Georgetown Law

Georgetown Observers: 154

Class: Constitutional Law (Gornstein; Lederman)

#### *Great Lakes Insurance v. Raiders Retreat Realty*

No. 22-500, 10/5/23

Advocate: Howard Bashman, Solo Practitioner

Georgetown Observers: 18

Class: Appellate Immersion Clinic (Wolfman)

#### *Alexander v. NAACP*

No. 22-807, 10/6/23

Advocate: Leah Aden, NAACP

Georgetown Observers: 81

Class: Supreme Court Seminar (Bloch)

#### *Murray v. UBS Securities*

No. 22-660, 10/6/23

Advocate: Easha Anand, Stanford

Georgetown Observers: 77

Class: Constitutional Law (Bloch), Oral Communication in Law (Ueland)

## November Sitting

### *Culley v. Marshall*

No. 22-585, 10/25/23

Advocate: Shay Dvoretzky, Skadden

Georgetown Observers:

### *O'Connor-Ratcliff v. Garnier*

No. 22-324, 10/27/23

Advocate: Hash Mooppan, Jones Day

Georgetown Observers: 15

### *Lindke v. Freed*

No. 22-661, 10/28/23

Advocate: Allon Kedem, Arnold & Porter

Georgetown Observers: 60

Class: Free Speech Seminar (Cole/Corkran)

### *Vidal v. Elster*

No. 22-704, 10/28/23

Advocate: Jon Taylor, Gupta Wessler

Georgetown Observers: 22

Class: Appellate Immersion Clinic (Wolfman)

### *USDA Rural Development Rural Housing Service v. Kirtz*

No. 22-846, 11/2/23

Advocate: Nandan Joshi, Public Citizen

Georgetown Observers: 6

### *Rudisill v. McDonough*

No. 22-846, 11/2/23

Advocate: Nandan Joshi, Public Citizen

Georgetown Observers: 6

### *United States v. Rahimi*

No. 22-915, 11/3/23

Advocate: Matthew Wright, Federal Public Defender

Georgetown Observers: 213

Class: Criminal Justice (O'Sullivan and Gottesman); Legal Justice (McLeod); Constitutional Law (Bloch); Supreme Court Seminar (Bloch)

## December Sitting

### *McElrath v. Georgia*

No. 22-721, 11/20/23

Advocate: Rick Simpson, Wiley Rein

Georgetown Observers: 19

### *Securities and Exchange Commission v. Jarkesy*

No. 22-324, 11/20/23

Advocate: S. Michael McColloch, solo practitioner

Georgetown Observers: 18

Class: Federal Practice Seminar (Gornstein)

### *Wilkinson v. Garland*

No. 22-666, 11/21/23

Advocate: Jaime Santos, Goodwin Procter

Georgetown Observers: 2

### *Brown/Jackson v. United States*

No. 22-6389, 11/21/23

Advocate: Jeff Green, Sidley Austin; Andy Adler, Federal Public Defender (FL)

Georgetown Observers: 3

### *Harrington v. Purdue Pharma L.P.*

No. 23-124, 11/29/23

Advocate: Pratik Shah, Akin Gump

Georgetown Observers: 10

### *Moore v. United States*

No. 22-800, 12/1/23

Advocate: Andrew Grossman, Baker Hostetler

Georgetown Observers: 32

Class: Federal Income Taxation (Brown and Satterthwaite)

### *Muldrow v. City of St. Louis, Missouri*

No. 22-193, 12/1/23

Advocate: Brian Wolfman, Georgetown Law

Georgetown Observers: 33

Class: Appellate Immersion Clinic



## January Sitting

*Federal Bureau of Investigation v. Fikre*  
No. 22-1178  
Advocate: Gadeir Abbas, Council for American  
Islamic Relations  
Georgetown Observers: 13

*Campos-Chaves v. Garland, et. al*  
No. 22-764; 22-884  
Advocate: Easha Anand, Stanford  
Georgetown Observers: 4

*Sheetz v. County of El Dorado*  
No. 22-1074  
Advocate: Paul Beard, FisherBroyle  
Georgetown Observers: 4

*Smith v. Arizona*  
No. 22-899  
Advocate: Alexander Samuels, Office of the  
Arizona Attorney General  
Georgetown Observers: 33

*U.S. Trustee v. John Q. Hammons Fall 2006*  
No. 22-1238  
Advocate: Daniel Geysler, Haynes and Boone  
Georgetown Observers: 4

*Devillier v. Texas*  
No. 22-913  
Advocate: Aaron Nielson, Office of the Solicitor  
General of Texas  
Georgetown Observers: 2

*Macquarie Infrastructure v. Moab Partners*  
No. 22-1165  
Advocate: David Frederick, Kellogg Hansen  
Georgetown Observers: 4

*Loper Bright Enterprises v. Raimondo;*  
*Relentless, Inc. v. Department of Commerce*  
No. 22-1219; 23-451  
Advocates: Paul Clement, Clement & Murphy;  
Roman Martinez, Latham & Watkins  
Georgetown Observers: 68

## February Sitting

### *Trump v. Anderson*

No. 23-719

Advocates: Jason Murray, Olson Grimsley; Shannon Stevenson, Colorado Office of the Attorney General

Georgetown Observers: 125

Class: Constitutional Impact Litigation Practicum (McCord)

### *Bissonnette v. LePage Bakeries Park St., LLC*

No. 23-51

Advocate: Traci Lovitt, Jones Day

Georgetown Observers: 3

### *Corner Post v. Federal Reserve*

No. 22-1008

Advocate: Bryan Weir, Consovoy McCarthy

Georgetown Observers: 17

Class: Supreme Court Seminar (Ayer)

### *Ohio et. al. v. EPA, et. al.*

No. 23A349

Advocate: Judy Vale, New York Office of the Attorney General

Georgetown Observers: 7

### *Ohio et. al., v. EPA, et. al.*

No. 23A349

Advocates: Mathura Sridharan, Ohio Office of the Attorney General; Cate Stetson, Hogan Lovells

Georgetown Observers: 9

### *Warner Chappell Music v. Nealy*

No. 22-1078

Advocate: Kannon Shanmugam, Paul Weiss

Georgetown Observers: 6

### *Cantero v. Bank of America*

No. 22-529

Advocate: Lisa Blatt, Williams & Connolly

Georgetown Observers: 5

### *Coinbase v. Suski*

No. 23-3

Advocate: Jessica Ellsworth, Hogan Lovells

Georgetown Observers: 4

### *McIntosh v. United States*

No. 22-7386

Advocate: Steven Yurowitz, Newman Greenberg

Georgetown Observers: 11

Class: Appellate Immersion Clinic (Wolfman)

### *NetChoice v. Paxton*

No. 22-555

Advocates: Henry Whitaker; Florida Office of the Attorney General; Aaron Nielson, Texas Office of the Attorney General

Georgetown Observers: 52

Class: Technology Impact Lab (Ohm)

### *NetChoice v. Paxton*

No. 22-555

Advocate: Paul Clement, Clement Murphy

Georgetown Observers: 91

Classes: Constitutional Law II (Snyder); Communications and Technology Law Clinic (Gilman); Appellate Practice Seminar (Murphy/Patterson)

### *Garland v. Cargill*

No. 22-976

Advocate: Jonathan Mitchell, solo practitioner

Georgetown Observers: 14

Class: Criminal Procedure and the Roberts Court Seminar (Gornstein/Harris)

## March Sitting

*Murthy, Surgeon General v. Missouri*

No. 23-411

Advocate: Ben Aguiñaga, Louisiana Office of the Attorney General

Georgetown Observers: 0

*Truck Insurance Exchange v. Kaiser Gypsum Co.*

No. 22-1079

Advocate: Kevin Marshall, Jones Day; David Frederick, Kellogg Hansen

Georgetown Observers: 0

*Gonzalez v. Trevino*

No. 22-1025

Advocate: Anya Bidwell, Institute for Justice

Georgetown Observers: 3

*National Rifle Association v. Vullo*

No. 22-842

Advocate: Neal Katyal, Hogan Lovells

Georgetown Observers: 6

*Texas v. New Mexico and Colorado*

No. 141 (Orig.)

Advocates: Jeff Wechler; New Mexico Office of the Attorney General; Lanora Pettit, Texas Office of the Attorney General

Georgetown Observers: 3

*Diaz v. United States*

No. 23-14

Advocate: Jeff Fisher, Stanford Law

Georgetown Observers: 4

Class: Evidence (Rostain)

*Harrow v. Dept. of Defense*

No. 23-21

Advocate: Josh Davis, Berger Montague

Georgetown Observers: 9

Class: Appellate Immersion Clinic (Wolfman)

*Danco Laboratories v. Alliance for Hippocratic Medicine*

No. 23-236

Advocate: Erin Hawley, Alliance Defending Freedom

Georgetown Observers: 14

*Becerra v. San Carlos Apache Tribe / Northern Arapaho Tribe*

No. 23-250; 23-253

Advocates: Adam Unikowsky, Jenner; Lloyd Miller, Sonosky

Georgetown Observers: 2

*Erlinger v. United States*

No. 23-370

Advocate: Nick Harper (court-appointed amicus)

Georgetown Observers: 41

Class: Criminal Procedure and Roberts Court Seminar (Gornstein/Harris); Supreme Court Litigation Seminar (Ayer)

*Connelly v. United States*

No. 23-146

Advocate: Kannon Shanmugam, Paul Weiss

Georgetown Observers: 1

*Danco Laboratories v. Alliance for Hippocratic Medicine*

No. 23-236

Advocate: Jessica Ellsworth, Hogan Lovells

Georgetown Observers: 39

Class: Reproductive Rights Seminar (Goodwin)

*Erlinger v. United States*

No. 23-370

Advocate: Jeff Fisher, Stanford Law

Georgetown Observers: 4

## April Sitting

### *Snyder v. United States*

No. 23-108

Advocate: **Lisa Blatt**, Williams & Connolly

Georgetown Observers: 8

### *Chiaverini v. City of Napoleon*

No. 23-50

Advocate: **Easha Anand**, Stanford Law

Georgetown Observers: 2

### *Fischer v. United States*

No. 23-5572

Advocate: Jeff Green, Green Law Chartered

Georgetown Observers: 29

Classes: Federal White-Collar Crime (O'Sullivan); Criminal Procedure and Roberts Court Seminar (Gornstein/Harris)

### *Thornell v. Jones*

No. 22-982

Advocate: Jean-Claude Andre, Bryan Cave

Georgetown Observers: 15

Class: Death Penalty Clinic (Sloan)

### *Starbucks v. McKinney*

No. 23-367

Advocate: **Lisa Blatt**, Williams & Connolly

Georgetown Observers: 4

### *Moyle/Idaho v. United States*

No. 23-726; 23-727

Advocate: Josh Turner, Idaho Office of the Attorney General

Georgetown Observers: 4

### *Smith v. Spizzirri*

No. 22-1218

Advocate: Josh Rosenkrantz, Orrick

Georgetown Observers: 2

### *Dept. of State v. Munoz*

No. 23-334

Advocate: **Eric Lee**, Diamante

Georgetown Observers: 14

Class: Appellate Immersion Clinic (Wolfman)

### *City of Grants Pass v. Johnson*

No. 23-175

Advocate: **Kelsi Corkran**, Georgetown Law

Georgetown Observers: 116

Classes: Section 3; Supreme Court Seminar (Ayer)

## APPENDIX B: MOOT COURT STATISTICS

Term	Percent of Args. Mooted	Arguments Mooted	Total Moots <sup>13</sup>	Moots for Petitioner	Moots for Respondent	Moots for Amicus
OT 23	100%	60/60	64	34 (53%)	29 (45%)	1 (2%)
OT 22	98%	58/59	62	36 (58%)	25 (40%)	1 (2%)
OT 21	100%	61/61	64	32 (50%)	31 (48%)	1 (2%)
OT 20	98%	57/58	62	35 (57%)	25 (40%)	2 (3%)
OT 19	100%	57/57	59	38 (64%)	19 (32%)	2 (4%)
OT 18	99%	70/71	72	37 (51%)	33 (46%)	2 (3%)
OT 17	98%	62/63	63	41 (65%)	21 (33%)	1 (2%)
OT 16	100%	64/64	65	37 (60%)	28 (40%)	0 (-)
OT 15	97%	67/69	68	45 (66%)	22 (32%)	1 (2%)
OT 14	100%	69/69	69	43 (62%)	26 (38%)	0 (-)
OT 13	96%	67/70	67	43 (64%)	24 (36%)	0 (-)

Term	Justice Seats Filled	Total Justices	Female Justices <sup>14</sup>	Male Justices	Panels with Female Justice(s)
OT 23	318	222	81 (25%)	237 (75%)	98.4%
OT 22	303	209	87 (29%)	216 (71%)	98.4%
OT 21	319	210	84 (26%)	235 (74%)	98.4%
OT 20	314	190	81 (26%)	233 (74%)	98.4%
OT 19	295	195	91 (31%)	204 (69%)	98.3%
OT 18	359	241	95 (26%)	264 (74%)	94.4%
OT 17	309	224	-	-	-
OT 16	318	237	-	-	-
OT 15	337	234	-	-	-
OT 14	340	232	-	-	-
OT 13	334	228	-	-	-

<sup>13</sup> In OT 23, SCI held two moot courts, one for each side, in five cases: *Trump v. Anderson*; *Danco Laboratories v. Alliance for Hippocratic Medicine*; *Erlinger v. United States*; *Ohio, Kinder Morgan, American Forest, and U.S. Steep v. EPA, et. al*; *NetChoice v. Paxton*.

<sup>14</sup> SCI began tracking statistics regarding the gender makeup of our panels and justices in OT 18.

Term	Advocates Mooted	Female Advocates	Male Advocates	First-Time Advocates	Former U.S. Solicitors General <sup>15</sup>	Criminal/Habeas Advocates <sup>16</sup>
OT 23	57	13 (23%)	44 (77%)	22 (38%)	3	10
OT 22	61	9 (15%)	52 (85%)	22 (36%)	4	10
OT 21	60	19 (32%)	41 (68%)	27 (45%)	5	14
OT 20	55	11 (20%)	44 (80%)	30 (55%)	5	7
OT 19	53	5 (12%)	48 (88%)	22 (42%)	4	9
OT 18	66	15 (23%)	51 (77%)	34 (52%)	5	15
OT 17	57	9 (16%)	48 (84%)	28 (49%)	3	14
OT 16	52	9 (17%)	43 (83%)	17 (33%)	2	17
OT 15	59	5 (8%)	54 (92%)	21 (36%)	2	17
OT 14	60	10 (17%)	50 (83%)	32 (53%)	2	10
OT 13	54	5 (9%)	49 (91%)	25 (46%)	4	15

Term Advocates With Multiple Moots

OT 23	E. Anand (3); L. Blatt (3); P. Clement (2); K. Corkran (2); S. Dvoretzky (2); J. Ellsworth (2); J. Fisher (2); K. Shanmugam (2)
OT 22	S. Dvoretzky (3); N. Katyal (3); J. Stone (3); L. Blatt (2); J. Lamken (2); E. Schnapper (2)
OT 21	J. Stone (3); D. Frederick (3); B. Flowers (2); M. Kimberly (2); D. Geyser (2); K. Shanmugam (2); P. Clement (2)
OT 20	K. Shanmugam (4); J. Fisher (3); P. Clement (2); D. Geyser (2); S. Harris (2); N. Katyal (2); M. Mongan (2); D. Zimmer (2)
OT 19	P. Clement (4); L. Blatt (3); B. Burgess (2); T. Crouse (2); P. Hughes (2); R. Martinez (2)
OT 18	K. Shanmugam (4); J. Fisher (3); S. Dvoretzky (2); D. Frederick (2); T. Heytens (2)
OT 17	P. Clement (4); D. Geyser (3); J. Fisher (2); N. Katyal (2); E. Murphy (2); J. Rosenkranz (2); F. Yarger (2)
OT 16	N. Katyal (5); S. Waxman (4); J. Bursch (2); S. Dvoretzky (2); M. Elias (2); J. Fisher (2); C. Landau (2); J. Rosenkranz (2); A. Unikowsky (2)
OT 15	P. Clement (4); T. Goldstein (3); P. Smith (3); N. Katyal (2); J. Green (2); D. Frederick (2); C. Landau (2); N. Francisco (2)

<sup>15</sup> In OT 23, SCI provided moots for the following former United States SGs or Acting SGs: Paul Clement, Neal Katyal, and Noel Francisco. Since 2012, SCI has also provided moots for former SGs/Acting SGs Greg Garre, Ian Gershengorn, Barbara Underwood, Seth Waxman, and Don Verrilli.

<sup>16</sup> In OT 23, SCI mooted the following advocates representing criminal defendants or habeas petitioners: Shay Dvoretzky (*Pulsifer v. United States*); Jean-Claude Andre (*Thornell v. Jones*); Jeff Fisher (*Erlinger v. United States*); Rick Simpson (*McElrath v. United States*); Jeff Green and Andrew Adler (*Brown v. United States*; *Jackson v. United States*); Alexander Samuels (*Smith v. Arizona*); Steven Yurowitz (*McIntosh v. United States*); Jeff Fisher (*Diaz v. United States*); Anya Bidwell (*Gonzalez v. Trevino*); and John Sauer (*Trump v. United States*).

OT 14 S. Waxman (4); T. Goldstein (3); N. Katyal (2); J. Fisher (2); E. Schnapper (2); J. Elwood (2)

OT 13 P. Clement (4); S. Waxman (4); J. Bursch (3); K. Russell (3); J. Fisher (2); N. Katyal (2); E. Schnapper (2)

Term	Large Firms Mooted <sup>17</sup>	Boutique Firms <sup>18</sup>	Solo Law Offices	Non-Profit Organizations <sup>19</sup>	State/Local/Foreign Govt. <sup>20</sup>	Law Schools/Academia <sup>21</sup>
OT 23	21	9	3	5	10	2
OT 22	22	8	0	5	9	3
OT 21	23	8	1	6	13	1
OT 20	17	11	1	7	4	5
OT 19	17	5	1	5	8	2
OT 18	17	12	4	6	9	3
OT 17	14	5	3	4	11	5
OT 16	18	10	3	3	8	3
OT 15	16	12	4	2	9	2
OT 14	20	7	0	2	11	6
OT 13	22	9	2	4	5	5

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<sup>17</sup> Firms with more than 100 attorneys. In OT 23, SCI mooted attorneys from the following large firms: Akin Gump Strauss Hauer & Feld; Arnold & Porter; BakerHostetler; Berger Montague; Bryan Cave Leighton Paisner; FisherBroyles; Goodwin Procter; Gibson Dunn & Crutcher; Haynes & Boone; Hogan Lovells (4 moots); Jenner & Block; Jones Day (4 moots); Kellogg, Hansen, Todd, Figel & Frederick (2 moots); Latham & Watkins; Orrick, Herrington & Sutcliffe; Paul Weiss Rifkind Wharton & Garrison (2 moots); Sidley Austin; Skadden Arps Slate Meagher & Flom (2 moots); Troutman Pepper; Williams & Connolly (3 moots); and Wiley Rein.

<sup>18</sup> Firms with fewer than 100 attorneys. In OT 23, SCI mooted attorneys from the following boutique firms: Clement & Murphy (2 moots); Consovoy McCarthy; Diamente Law Group; Green Law Chartered; Gupta Wessler; James Otis Law Group; Newman & Greenberg; Olson Grimsley Kawanabe Hinchcliff & Murray; and Sonosky, Chambers, Sachse, Endreson & Perry.

<sup>19</sup> In OT 23, SCI mooted attorneys from the following non-profits: Alliance Defending Freedom; Council on American-Islamic Relations; Institute for Justice; NAACP; and Public Citizen.

<sup>20</sup> In OT 23, SCI mooted solicitors general or other attorneys working for the attorneys general of the following states: Arizona, Colorado, Florida, Idaho, Louisiana, New Mexico, New York, Ohio, and Texas (3 moots); as well as Federal Public Defenders (2 moots).

<sup>21</sup> In OT 23, SCI mooted full-time professors at two law schools: Stanford (5 moots) and Georgetown (3 moots).

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