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2016 Edith House Lecturer



Stacey Godfrey Evans

Ms. Evans was elected to the Georgia House of Representatives in 2010 after graduating from the University of Georgia and the University of Georgia School of Law. She has an impressive history of determination and spirit; she worked her way through college becoming the first person in her family to get a college degree and then the first to get a law degree. Prior to being elected, Ms. Evans practiced as a securities litigation attorney for eight years before starting her own firm, where she fights against healthcare fraud and represents individuals in defamation actions.

Since being elected to the House, Ms. Evans has become a strong advocate for cutting edge issues. She has pursued protecting the scholarships which helped her become who she is today by fighting against cuts to the HOPE scholarship and expanding the HOPE Grant. She also voted against the “religious freedoms” bill which would have protected people who discriminated against the LGBT community.

Beyond the House, Ms. Evans has also shown a strong interest in advocating for women. Besides being an excellent representation of an intelligent, motivated woman, she was also chair for Georgia’s Women in Numbers organization which provides financial and strategic support for women running for statewide and legislative offices in Georgia. She has won numerous awards for her legislative and pro bono work including in many women’s groups.

The Edith House
Lecture Series in Law

“The Voice of a Woman Lawyer: Why it Matters
and How to Use it.”

Presented by

Stacey Godfrey Evans

Monday, April 18, 2016
3:30 p.m.
Hatton Lovejoy Courtroom

Introduction.....	Hannah Byars, WLSA Vice President and Edith House Event Coordinator
Lecture.....	Rep. Stacey Godfrey Evans
Questions & Answers.....	Rep. Stacey Godfrey Evans
Concluding Remarks.....	Hannah Byars

Reception to follow in the Sutherland Courtyard.

As one of the largest student organizations at the University of Georgia School of Law, WLSA's mission is to strengthen women by providing educational, professional, and social events that benefit all students, with a focus on women in law. Past and current activities include projects with Georgia Options, Inc., Prevent Child Abuse Athens, Project Safe, exam and curriculum workshops for first year students, and participation in the GAWL Art Auction. The high point of WLSA's year is the Edith House Lecture.

A Word of Thanks

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Edith House Lecture Fund Contribution Information

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Previous Edith House Lectures

Kelly Caffarelli, President, Caffarelli Consulting "Long Pants or Short Skirts: Fitting In, Fighting Back or Finding Your Own Way." April 2, 2015

Teresa Wynn Roseborough, Executive Vice President, General Counsel & Corporate Secretary, Home Depot, "It's Time to Try Defying Gravity, One Woman's Thoughts on Having It All." April 9, 2014.

Edith Hollan Jones, Judge, U.S. Court of Appeals for the 5th Circuit, "Why the Constitution Matters and Why Women Should Care." March 20, 2013

Leslie M. Turner, General Counsel, Coca-Cola North America, "Winning or Winning with Integrity? A Lawyer's Role in the Corporate World." March 20, 2012.

Carol W. Hunstein, Chief Justice, Supreme Court of Georgia, "Women and the Law - We've Come a Long Way ... Maybe." March 9, 2011.

Dahlia Lithwick, Senior Editor, Slate Magazine, "Wise Woman - What Women Bring to the Bench and How to Talk about It like Gentlemen." March 25, 2010.

Felice Batlan, Assistant Professor, Chicago-Kent College of Law, "Are We Our Mothers' Law Students?: Women's Law School Experiences and an Agenda for Action." April 9, 2009.

Shirley Hufstедler, U.S. Secretary of Education under President Jimmy Carter, "Freedom and Justice for Some." March 19, 2008.

Harriet McBryde Johnson, "Disability Rights: A Liberation Movement for All People." March 21, 2007.

Sarah Weddington, University of Texas, "Some Leaders are Born Women." March 23, 2006.

Jean Toal, Chief Justice, Supreme Court of South Carolina, "Women in the Law." March 24, 2005.

Linda Hamilton Krieger, Professor of Law, University of California, Berkley, "Naturalizing Anti-Discrimination Law." February 25, 2004.

Kathy Hall-Martinez, Director of the International Program, Center for Reproductive Law and Policy, "Using Legal Strategies to Promote Women's Reproductive Rights: Achievements and Challenges" March 3, 2003.

Dr. Kelly Askin, Carr Center for Human Rights Policy, Harvard University, "Securing Justice for Women in the U.N. International War Crimes Tribunals and Beyond." March 26, 2002.

Dorothy Roberts, Professor, Northwestern University School of Law, "Missing Voices: Black Mothers and the Politics of Child Welfare." February 15, 2001.

Susan Oki Mollway, U.S. District Judge, Hawaii, "Getting Confirmed as a Federal Judge." October 6, 1999.

Sarah Weddington, Assoc. Professor, University of Texas, "Roe v. Wade - 25 Years Later." September 23, 1998.

Anne M. Coughlin, Research Professor, University of Virginia, "Sex and Guilt." October 15, 1997.

Martha S. West, Professor of Law, University of California, Davis, "What's In It For Me: Why Don't White Women Support Affirmative Action?" October 24, 1996.

Mary E. Becker, Professor of Law, University of Chicago, "The First Amendment and Sexual Harassment of School and Work." November 2, 1995

Brooksley E. Born, Partner, Arnold & Porter, Washington, D.C., "Private Practice/Public Service: Reminiscences on the Women's Rights Movement." March 9, 1994.

Carrie Menkel-Meadow, Professor of Law, University of California, Los Angeles, "Mainstreaming Feminist Legal Theory and the Production of Legal Knowledge." March 12, 1993.

Patricia J. Williams, Assoc. Professor of Law, University of Wisconsin, "Banished Bodies." March 13, 1992.

Mari J. Matsuda, Assoc. Professor of Law, University of Hawaii, "Toward a Feminist Theory Interconnecting Subordinations." April 8, 1991.

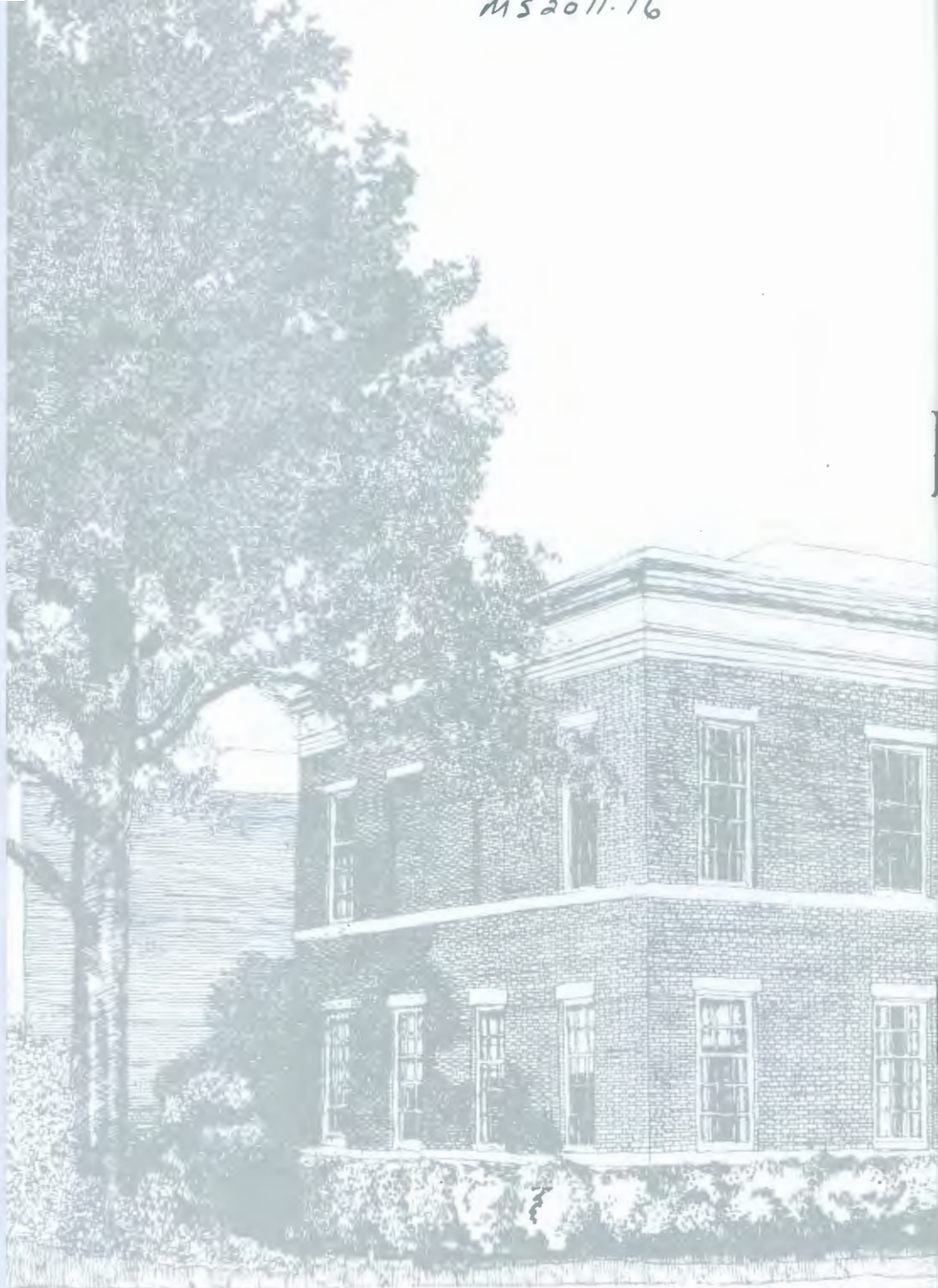
Patricia A. Cain, Professor of Law, University of Texas, "A Postmodern Feminist Critique of Equal Protection Doctrine." March 15, 1990.

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EDITH HOUSE

Edith House, a native of Winder, Georgia, was co-valedictorian of the Class of 1925, and one of the first two women to graduate from the University of Georgia School of Law. Following graduation, she practiced for four years in Clearwater, Florida. She was then appointed Assistant United States Attorney for the Southern District of Florida, a position she held for the next thirty years. When the Southern District was subdivided to create the new Middle District, Ms. House was appointed to the post of United States Attorney for the new Southern District. Ms. House retired in 1963. She lived in Jacksonville, Florida, until her death on December 14, 1987. It is in memory of her hard work and pioneering spirit that this lecture series is dedicated.



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