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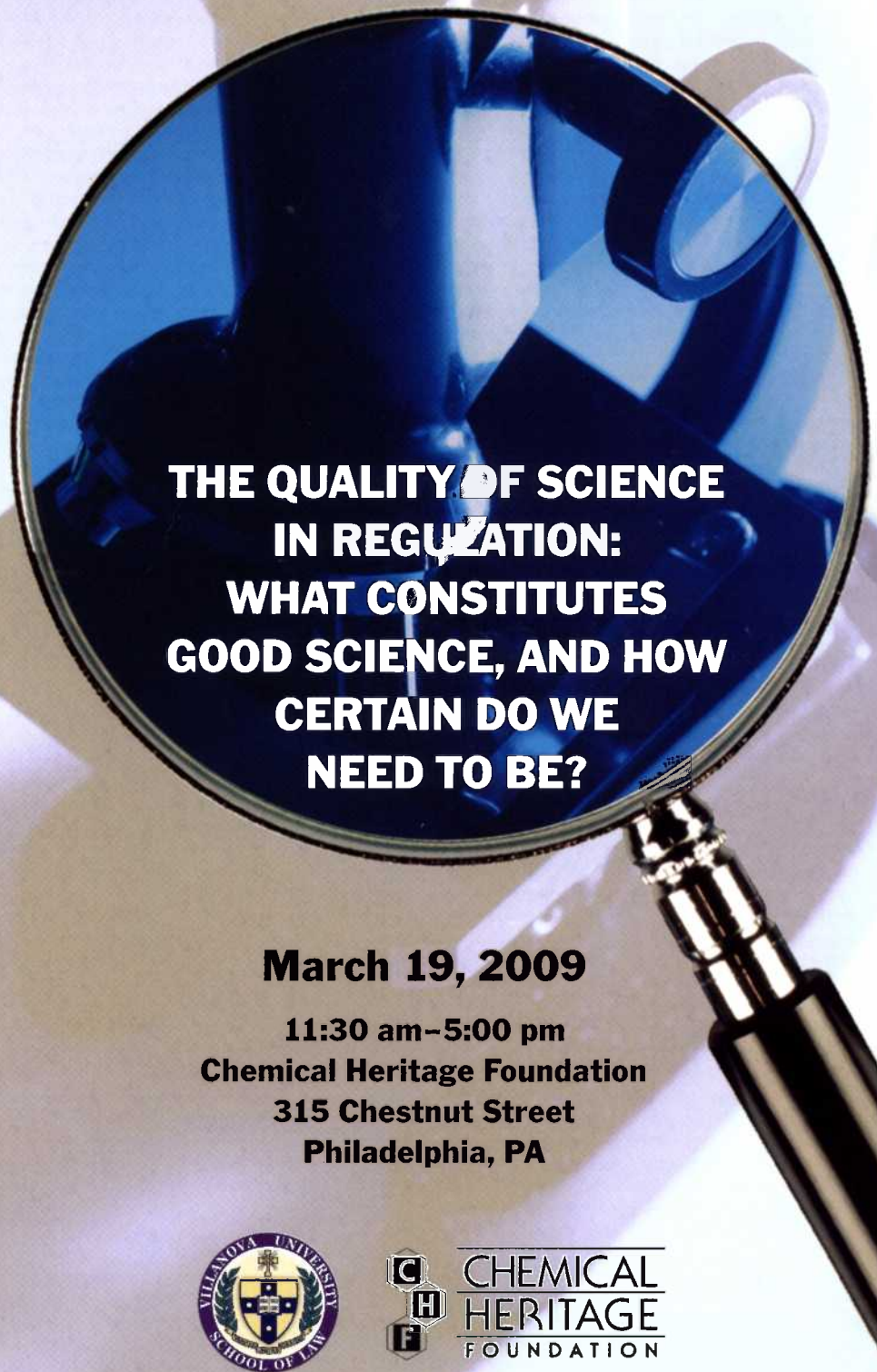
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present

The Third Annual Matthew J. Ryan Law & Public Policy Forum



**THE QUALITY OF SCIENCE
IN REGULATION:
WHAT CONSTITUTES
GOOD SCIENCE, AND HOW
CERTAIN DO WE
NEED TO BE?**

March 19, 2009

**11:30 am–5:00 pm
Chemical Heritage Foundation
315 Chestnut Street
Philadelphia, PA**



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SCHEDULE

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The new Obama administration promises to follow science, not politics, in health and environmental regulation. However, despite broad consensus for “good science” in the regulatory context, there are significant differences of opinion over exactly what constitutes quality research. The collection of distinguished speakers at the third annual Ryan Forum will explore current concerns over *what* science and *whose* science counts in regulatory decision-making and litigation.

Attending the 2009 Matthew J. Ryan Law & Public Policy Forum

This symposium has been approved by the Pennsylvania Continuing Legal Education Board for 3.5 substantive credits. Registration fee for CLE credit is \$50, non-CLE is \$25. Registration will begin at 11:30 a.m. Light buffet lunch included. Space is limited, so we encourage pre-registration. For further information or to register online, visit:

<http://www.law.villanova.edu/links/ryan.asp>

The Matthew J. Ryan Law and Public Policy Forum honors the memory of one of Villanova Law School's most distinguished alumni, the Honorable Matthew J. Ryan '59, the former Speaker of the Pennsylvania House of Representatives. The Ryan Forum was made possible by the generosity of his many friends and the leadership of Arthur J. Kania '56, Albert Lindner '68, James E. McLarnie '67 and Richard Phillips '66.

11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. Registration and Light Buffet Lunch

Welcome

Mark A. Sargent
Dean, Villanova University School of Law
Ron Reynolds
Director, Center for Contemporary History and Policy and
Special Advisor to the President, Chemical Heritage Foundation

12:30 - 2:15 p.m.

WHAT IS GOOD SCIENCE?

Moderated by Professor David S. Caudill,
Professor of Law and Goldberg Family Chair in Law
Villanova University School of Law

David Michaels
Research Professor, Interim Chair, Department of
Environmental and Occupational Health
George Washington University School of Public Health

James Solyst
Principal Consultant, Environ Group

Sarah Vogel
Program Officer, Johnson Family Foundation

2:15 - 2:30 p.m.

Break

2:30 - 4:15 p.m.

CHALLENGES AT THE INTERSECTION OF REGULATION AND PUBLIC/PRIVATE INTERESTS

Moderated by Jody Roberts
Program Manager, Environmental History and Policy
Chemical Heritage Foundation

Martha E. Blasberg
Supervisory Counsel
Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection

Matthew D'Annunzio
Partner, Blank Rome LLP

Reggie Harris
Senior Toxicologist & Regional Environmental Justice Coordinator
EPA Region III

4:15 - 5:00 p.m.

Reception

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