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1:25 - 1:50 p.m. "TORT DAMAGES REFORM: PART OF FINDING A  
NEW TORT LAW CONSENSUS"



JOSEPH SANDERS,  
*White Professor, University of Houston Law Center*

1:50 - 2:00 p.m. **BREAK**

2:00 - 2:25 p.m. "REFORMING THE CIVIL JURY AND  
ENHANCING CIVIL JUSTICE"



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VALERIE P. HANS,  
*Professor of Law, Cornell Law School*

2:25 - 2:50 p.m. "INCENTIVES FOR LITIGATION OR SETTLEMENT IN  
LARGE TORT CASES: RESPONDING TO  
INSURANCE COMPANY INTRANSIGENCE"



JAY M. FEINMAN, *Distinguished Professor of Law,  
Rutgers University School of Law, Camden*

2:50 - 3:00 p.m. **BREAK**

3:00 - 3:50 p.m. **PANEL DISCUSSION**



NEIL VIDMAR,  
*Russell M. Robinson II Professor of Law &  
Professor of Psychology, Duke University*



COLLEEN P. MURPHY,  
*Professor of Law, Roger Williams University School of Law*



LARRY RITCHIE,  
*Professor of Law, Roger Williams University School of Law*

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## GENUINE TORT REFORM SYMPOSIUM

*Featuring Nationally Prominent Scholars*

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APRIL 20, 2007

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**SYMPOSIUM THEME**

For decades, the term "tort reform" has been used by those who wish to curtail the civil justice system. We have asked eight of the nation's most prominent scholars to suggest proposals for improving the tort and civil justice systems. In addition, two other prominent scholars join members of the Roger Williams faculty to discuss the proposals.

8:15 - 8:45 a.m. **REGISTRATION - CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST**

8:45 - 9:00 a.m. **WELCOME -**



DAVID A. LOGAN,  
*Dean, Roger Williams University School of Law*



**A WORD ABOUT THE CONFERENCE -**  
CARL T. BOGUS,  
*Professor of Law, Roger Williams University School of Law*

9:00 - 9:25 a.m. **"THE BIRTH OF TORT REFORM"**



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MARC S. GALANTER,  
*John & Brosshard Professor, University of Wisconsin Law School*

9:25 - 9:50 a.m. **"CALLING IT A LEG DOESN'T MAKE IT A LEG:  
WISHFUL THINKING IN THE TORT REFORM AREA"**



ELLEN WERTHEIMER,  
*Professor of Law, Villanova University School of Law*

9:50 - 10:00 a.m. **Break**

10:00 - 10:25 a.m. **"TORT REFORMS ON THE MERITS"**



PETER H. SCHUCK,  
*Simeon E. Baldwin Professor, Yale Law School*

10:25-10:50 a.m. **"TORT LITIGATION, TRANSPARENCY,  
AND THE PUBLIC INTEREST"**



ROSS E. CHEIT, *Associate Professor,  
Taubman Center for Public Policy, Brown University*

10:50 - 11:00 a.m. **Break**

11:00 - 11:50 a.m. **PANEL DISCUSSION**



MARTHA E. CHAMALLAS,  
*Robert J. Lynn Chair, Ohio State University School of Law*



CARL T. BOGUS,  
*Professor of Law, Roger Williams University School of Law*



TIMOTHY K. KUHNER,  
*Assistant Professor, Roger Williams University School of Law*

Noon to 1:00 p.m. **LUNCH** *(Included with symposium registration)*

12:15 - 12:45 p.m. **LUNCHEON TALK**  
**"TALES FROM THE TORT REFORM WARS"**  
LEO V. BOYLE, ESQUIRE &  
MARK S. MANDELL, ESQUIRE,  
*both past Presidents of the American Association for Justice  
(formerly ATLA)*

1:00 - 1:25 p.m. **"RECONSIDERING TORT DAMAGES: THE SOCIAL AND  
POLITICAL VALUE OF CIVIL JURY VERDICTS"**



DEBORAH R. HENSLER,  
*John W. Ford Professor of Dispute Resolution, Stanford Law School*