

CRN ON LAY PARTICIPATION: SUMMARY OF 2021 SESSIONS

THURSDAY SESSIONS (ALL TIMES ARE CENTRAL ZONE FOR THE US)

1:00 [Juror Biases and the Jury Selection Process](#)

Thursday, 5/27/2021, 1:00 PM — 5/27/2021 02:45 PM (Central Daylight Time)

Session Type: Paper Session

Session ID: 416

(Cross-listed with CRN on Lay Participation, CRN on Law, Society, and Psychological Science and the IRC on Lay Participation Around the Globe)

Paper titles:

What's a Court to Do: The Problem of Summons Non-Response and Jury Representativeness

The Paradox of Impartiality: Seeking Unbiased Jurors for a Biased Criminal Justice System

Women on the Jury: An Examination of the Role of Juror Gender within Criminal and Civil Juries

Deciphering the Language of Bias: Reframing Court Officials' Questioning of Prospective Jurors during Voir Dire as a Joint Activity

Xenophobic Bias in American Courtrooms

3:00 [CRN04 Business Meeting](#)

Thursday, 5/27/2021, 3:00 PM — 5/27/2021 04:45 PM (Central Daylight Time)

Session Type: Business Meeting

Session ID: 944

7:00 [The Civil Jury Trial: New Democracy in Argentina, Japan, China, the U.S. and Beyond](#)

Thursday, 5/27/2021, 7:00 PM — 5/27/2021 08:45 PM (Central Daylight Time)

Session Type: Roundtable

Session ID: 188

(Cross-listed with the CRN on East Asian Law and Society, the CRN on Lay Participation in Legal Systems, and the IRC on The State and the Corporation as Legal Fictions: Original Nation and Dissent)

Since the new millennium, multiple countries have begun to adopt the system of civil jury trials. Argentina became the first country in the new millennium to introduce the civil jury trial. China improved its lay assessor system that adjudicates both civil and criminal cases. Japan's Bar Association began nationwide campaigns to educate the public about the introduction of civil jury trials in Japan. The U.S. still maintains the jury trial, while its use has significantly declined in recent years. We have five

distinguished panel presenters to report on the progress of the civil jury system in four respective countries: (1) Andres Harfuch in Argentina; (2) Satoru Shinomiya and Hiroshi Fukurai in Japan; (3) Zhuoyu (Joey) Wang in China; (4) Matthew Wilson in Japan and the U.S.; and (5) Discussant, Valerie Hans, Cornell University.

FRIDAY SESSIONS

11:00A [Reimagining Lay Participation: Global Perspectives](#)

Friday, 5/28/2021, 11:00 AM — 5/28/2021 12:45 PM (Central Daylight Time)

Session Type: Paper Session

Session ID: 233

(Cross-listed with the CRN on Lay Participation in Legal Systems and the IRC on Lay Participation in Law around the Globe)

Paper titles:

Lay Judges at Courts of Appeals

The Flourishing of Lay Participation in the Sunny Continent: A Systematic Review of Lay Participation in Criminal Cases in Africa

Trial by Jury in Time of COVID in Georgia and Russia

Trial by Jury in Argentina: New Developments

1:00 [Re-Imagining Jury Trials in a Pandemic](#)

Friday, 5/28/2021, 1:00 PM — 5/28/2021 02:45 PM (Central Daylight Time)

Session Type: Roundtable

Session ID: 231

(Cross-listed with the CRN on Lay Participation in Legal Systems and the IRC on Lay Participation in Law around the Globe)

Participants in this roundtable will discuss the efforts that courts in the USA and elsewhere have made to reimagine jury trials in the midst of the COVID-19 pandemic. Drawing on theory and practice, roundtable participants will discuss the effects of delaying, reducing, and modifying jury trials. They will critically evaluate the diverse approaches that courts have taken to continue with jury trials, on the one hand conducting in-person jury trials with social distancing and masking, and on the other hand using zoom and other online vehicles to conduct jury trials. The panelists will also look ahead, predicting how this pandemic moment might change jury trials and jury trial procedure in the future. Participants are: Mar Jimeno Bulnes (University of Burgos); Marie Comiskey (University of Toronto); Neal Feigenson (Quinnipiac University); Paula Hannaford-Agor (National Center for State Courts); Michael Pressman (New York University); Krystia Reed (University of Texas at El Paso); Richard Jolly (University of California at Berkeley)

5:00P [Cutting Edge Developments on Juries and Lay Participation in Law](#)

Friday, 5/28/2021, 5:00 PM — 5/28/2021 06:45 PM (Central Daylight Time)

Session Type: Paper Session

Session ID: 215

(Cross-listed with CRN on Lay Participation in Legal Systems, the CRN on Law, Society & Psychological Science, and the IRC on Lay Participation in Law around the Globe).

Paper titles:

Unfinished Business: Voting Patterns in Real Civil Jury Deliberations

Transforming Citizens into Jurors through Jury Instructions

1 Angry Man

Jurors' Calibration to Complicated Scientific Evidence in Court

Unraveling Capital Jurors' Response to Mental Health Evidence

7:00P [Victims in Criminal Justice](#)

Friday, 5/28/2021, 7:00 PM — 5/28/2021 08:45 PM (Central Daylight Time)

Session Type: Paper Session

Session ID: 51

Paper titles:

Conceptualising Harm in Sentencing

Crime Victims, Immigrants, and Social Welfare: Creating the Racialized Other In Sweden

Victims as Instruments

Master Manipulator and Evil Organizations: Attributions of Blame in Victim Impact Statements Regarding Institutional Sexual Abuse

Qisas in Homicide Cases Across the World

(Be sure the check out schedules for CRNs that also co-sponsor with us, including the East Asian Law and Society (CRN #33) and Law, Society and Psychological Science (CRN #54)