CLOSING REMARKS

Dean Trevor Morrison*

INTRODUCTION BY Alessandra Baniel-Stark

So we have just one last speaker today who needs very little introduction, but I’m going to give an introduction anyway. He’s currently the Dean of the Law School here at NYU, where—in addition to captaining the ship—he teaches constitutional law and other subjects. And I actually learned yesterday that he was the professor of one of our panelists when he was at Cornell as well, so we’re pleased to play a part in this sort of intellectual family moment. So we’re very honored to have Dean Morrison here to make some closing remarks.

REMARKS BY DEAN TREVOR MORRISON

Hi everybody. Thanks for being here. I just have a few quick remarks by way of closing. This is one of those days when I’m both thrilled and a little bit unhappy about being Dean, and for essentially the same reason. I’m thrilled to be part of a school that puts together events like this that bring together our terrific journals like the Journal of Legislation and Public Policy and the Brennan Center and the ABA Center for Professional Responsibility. Collaborations like this, that involve our students, our great research centers, and leaders of the profession, is what this school does so regularly and it’s part of what makes this an exciting place. Sad, because the Dean’s job prohibited me from actually being here to enjoy all of this, but I’m sure it’s been a terrific day.

This issue of judicial bias and recusal is of deep importance, as you all know, and it’s in many ways surprising how unstable the positions are on this issue given how old a democracy we are—so that, if nothing else, certainly underscores the importance of today’s symposium. So thank you to the Journal for bringing it together, and to all of you for being part of it. Thank you to the speakers, including my former student, for being here, and again, I’m just thrilled that we were able to put on an event like this today. Thank you all.

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