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FRIDAY, OCTOBER 23, 2026

Time	Location	Session
8:00–8:30	Galleria & Room 115	**Registration Check-in and Light Breakfast**
8:30–8:45	Room 138	**Conference Kickoff and Welcome** *Dean Tamara F. Lawson, SALT Co-President* *Joseph McKay, SALT Co-President* *Brooks Holland, Teaching Conference Co-Chair* *Alicia Jackson, Teaching Conference Co-Chair*
8:45–9:45	Room 138	**PLENARY I** **From Communities to the Courts: A Conversation about Freedom in Perilous Times** *Nick Brown, Washington Attorney General* *Brooks Holland, Moderator*
10:00–10:50	Room 116	**CONCURRENT SESSION 1** **Power Hour: Teaching Law to Understand, Build and Shift Power** *Noelia Rivera-Calderón* *Emily Cassometus*
	Room 118	**Presumed Intolerance: Responses from the Frontlines** *Raquel Aldana* *Rachel Moran*
	Room 138	**Teaching Freedom: A Framework for Building and Assessing Culturally Proficient Lawyers** *Anastasia M. Boles* *Demetria D. Frank* *Darrell Jackson* *Jamila E. Jefferson*
11:00–11:50	Room 116	**CONCURRENT SESSION 2** **The Case for Fighting and not Caving: Why Law Schools Should Take a Stand in a Time of Trump** *Charlie Martel*
	Room 118	**Teaching Truth Under Pressure: Race-Conscious Legal Pedagogy in an Era of Retrenchment** *Taifha Natalee Alexander* **Democratizing Access to the Law** *Rebecca Robichaud* *Nikki Taylor-Vargo*
	Room 138	**Fighting Fascism through 1L Fact Patterns for Different Law School Climates** *Elena L. Cohen* *Eirik Cheverud* *Beena Ahmad*
12:05–1:15	Room 138	**PLENARY II (Over Lunch)** **Freedom in the Classroom: "Emancipate. Academic. Freedom."** *A Conversation with Danielle M. Conway, President of the Association of American Law Schools (AALS)*
1:25–1:50	Room 116	**CONCURRENT SESSION 3** **We Keep Us Safe: The Lawyers as one Spoke in a Community Defense Hub during Metro Surge in Minneapolis** *Hetal Dalal*
	Room 118	**Let Freedom Ring Through Hip-Hop: Using Rap Music to Democratize Legal Education** *Fareed Nassor Hayat*
	Room 138	**Expanding Access to Feedback: Faculty Agency and Responsible AI in Legal Education** *Kelly Hebron*

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2:00–2:50		**CONCURRENT SESSION 4**
	Room 116	**Pressures on the Pipeline** *Nicole M. Mozee* *Veronica J. Finkelstein*
		Character, Fitness, and the Modern Applicant: A Call for Transparent Standards on Speech-Related Conduct *Tia Gibbs*
	Room 118	**Teaching Legal Methods from the Golden Era of Liberal Legal Reasoning in a Deeply Red State** *Lucy Jewel*
		Getting On The Record: Why and How to Teach Media Communications Skills to Law Students *Amanda L. Elyse*
	Room 119	**Reining in Runaway Recruiting** *Jamie R. Abrams* *Cecilia Silver*
	Room 138	**The ABA Standards, Democracy and Legal Education** *Eduardo R.C. Capulong* *Andrew King-Ries* *Steven W. Bender* *Emma Tolliver* *Anna Graff* *Erica F. Byrd*
3:00–3:50		**CONCURRENT SESSION 5**
	Room 116	**Legislating Enemies** *Leo Yu*
		Out of the Closet: The Anti-LGBTQ+ Justiciability Exception *Aníbal Rosario Lebrón*
	Room 118	**Should "Rule of Law" Be Tested on the Bar Exam?** *Jessica Barclay-Strobel* *Lisa Lucile Owens* *Stephen Rosenbaum*
	Room 138	**Developing a Holistic Professional Identity Framework for Transformative Lawyering** *Andrew King-Ries* *Eduardo R.C. Capulong* *Erica Byrd* *Robert Hsu*

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5:00 PM – 7:00 PM

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SATURDAY, OCTOBER 24, 2026

Time	Location	Session
8:15–8:45	Galleria & Room 115	**Registration Check-in and Light Breakfast**
8:45–9:45	Room 138	**PLENARY III** **From Courts to the Classroom: Perspectives on Social Justice Advocacy in Turbulent Times with** *Justice G. Helen Whitener, Washington State Supreme Court* *Vanessa Torres Hernandez, Integrated Advocacy Director, American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU) of Washington* *Erika K. Wilson, Professor of Law and Director of Critical Lawyering Civil Rights Clinic, New York University* *Almas Khan, Moderator*

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		CONCURRENT SESSION 6
	Room 116	**Empowering Students Through a Critical Perspectives Toolkit: Learning from the Doyley Hearing and Court Mandated Cesarean Operations** *Sarah Lee Day*
		Interdisciplinary Approaches to Teaching Critical Reflection On Power Dynamics in Attorney Client Communication Dyads *Anya Perret*
10:00–10:50	Room 118	**Structural Literacy in Private Law: Developing a Vocabulary for Law Teaching** *Juan Carlos Ibarra*
		Uncivil Asset Forfeiture: Sweeps and the Erosion of Unhoused People's Personal Property Rights *Ron Hochbaum*
	Room 212	**Liberated Learning: Restorative and Reflective Pedagogies for a Transformative Moment** *Inga N. Laurent* *Olwyn Conway* *Christine Cimini* *Camesha F. Little*
		CONCURRENT SESSION 7
	Room 116	**Overlooked Cognitive Barriers to Freedom Ringing** *Rory Bahadur*
	Room 118	**Law School Prison Education as an Anti-Subordination Theory of Change** *Jared Mollenkof*
11:00–11:50		**Teaching Water (In)Justice Across the Law School Curriculum** *Tom I. Romero II*
	Room 138	**Thomas Jefferson and the U.S. Constitution** *Julia Ernst*
		Government Interference with Curatorial and Artistic Expression: Legal Implications for Museums and Cultural Institutions *Nefertari K.B. Pross*
		LUNCH DISCUSSION GROUPS ***A Time to Gather, Reflect, and Strategize***
12:00–1:00	Room 138 Room 118 Room 116	**Freedom in Classrooms** **Freedom in Courtrooms** **Freedom in Communities**

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		CONCURRENT SESSION 8
	Room 116	**Who Shall Remain Nameless? Bias, Anonymity, and the Redesign of Student Evaluations** *Verónica C. Gonzales* *Warigia Bowman*
	Room 118	**Beyond Inclusion: Critical Race Theory and the Legal Future of K-20 Black Studies** *M. Alex Evans*
1:10–2:00		**Reconstructionism** *Sandeep Dhaliwal*
	Works in Progress Room 138	**Digital Authoritarianism and the Shadow of Big Brother** *Jeffrey Omari*
		The Time Travelers *Renee Nicole Allen*
		Reparative Citizenship & the U.S. Imperial Legacy in the Pacific *Esther Yoo*
		CONCURRENT SESSION 9
	Room 118	**Narrative Reparations Litigation and the Reconstruction of American Legal History** *Almas Khan*
		In Pursuit of Reparations: The Promise of Guarantees of Non-Recurrence *Tiffany Atkins*
2:10–3:00	***Works in Progress*** Room 138	**Constructed Invisibility: The Structural Immunity Doctrine and the Building Case for Structural Intervention for Justice in Health** *Golda Philip*
		From Constitutional Violations to Democratic Repair: A Relational and Transitional Justice Approach to 34 U.S.C. § 12601 *Haley Farrell*
3:10–3:30	Room 138	**Closing Remarks** *Brooks Holland, Teaching Conference Co-Chair* *Alicia Jackson, Teaching Conference Co-Chair*

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