

Law and Antisemitism Conference

March 8-9, 2026

Cardozo Law School

Draft Schedule

SUNDAY MARCH 8	R o o m	Event-Panel	Speakers & Presentations
Morning Schedule			
8:00-8:30	L	Breakfast	
8:30-9:00	A	Welcome	Professor Rona Kaufman Dean Melanie Leslie President Ari Berman
9:15-10:30	A	Beyond the Civil Rights Act of 1964: Alternative Litigation Strategies	Ben Schlager, <i>BDS and pre-emption</i> Mark Goldfeder, <i>Holding Enablers Accountable: ATA & ATS Antisemitism Cases</i> Tara Helfman, <i>Ku Klux Klan Act (1983, 1981)</i> Jason Torchinsky, <i>FACE Act and state law analogues: protecting synagogues</i> Moderator: Richard A. Rosen
9:15-10:30	B	Comparative Approaches to Law & Antisemitism: Germany, U.K., U.S.	Matthew Bolton, <i>How Should Anti-Discrimination Law Treat Israel-Related Antisemitism? A Philosophical Approach</i> Eldad Davidov, <i>The Differentiation Between Dimensions of Antisemitism and Criticism of Israeli Politics in Germany</i> Robert Katz, <i>Comparative Hate Speech Law</i> Jennifer Panneth, <i>Balancing Free Expression and Campus Safety: Antisemitism and Institutional Responsibility in Australian Universities</i> Moderator: Jocelyn Getgen Kestenbaum

10:30-10:45	L	Coffee Break	
10:45-12:00	A	Antisemitism & Law: A Historical Perspective	Isaac Amon, <i>Antisemitism on Trial: Benjamin Ferencz and the Prosecution of the Einsatzgruppen at Nuremberg</i> Paul Finkelman, <i>State Constitutions, Jewish Voting, and Jewish Political Equality: A Century of Struggle</i> Yossi Kugler, <i>Antisemitism in the Israeli Legal Arena: Historical and Judicial Perspectives</i> <u>via Zoom</u> Richard Weisberg, <i>How the Holocaust-survivor class in US Federal Court litigation against French (and other) banks for Vichy-era theft brought about a restitution process in Paris that is still doing daily work a quarter-of-a-century later</i> Moderators: Rachel Bayefsky & Shalev Roisman
	B	Antisemitism in the International Arena	Avi Bell, <i>Israel Alone: The International Community's Use of Lawfare Against the Jewish Homeland</i> Monika Polzin, <i>Authoritarian International Law and the Treatment of Israel in the International Arena</i> Avraham Russell Shalev, <i>From Blogs to Boycotts: Anti-Zionist Biases in Legal Academia</i> <u>via Zoom</u> Gerald Steinberg, <i>Factors in the Transformation of Human Rights and IHL into Central Vehicles for "New Antisemitism"</i> <u>via Zoom</u> Moderator: Asaf Romirowsky
SUNDAY MARCH 8 Afternoon Schedule	R O O M	EVENT/PANEL	SPEAKERS & PRESENTATION

12:15-1:30	L	Lunch & Keynote Address	David Schizer
1:45-3:00 pm	A	New Initiatives in Antisemitism & Law	Michael Bazzyler, Michael Kelly, & Shari C. Reig, <i>The Claims Conference's Holocaust, Antisemitism, and the Law Learning ("HALL") Center</i>" Rona Kaufman & Andrea Martin, <i>The Center for Jewish Legal Studies (CJLS)</i> Ruthy Lowenstein, <i>Center for Law and Antisemitism</i> <u>via Zoom</u> Moderator: Seth Oranburg
	B	Lawyering, Policy, and Problems	Billy Organek, <i>Can Civil Rights on Campus Be Bolstered by Bankruptcy Law?</i> Rafael Medoff, <i>The 2004 Law Mandating U.S. Action Against Antisemitism: Origins, Obstacles, and Impact</i> Michael Scheinman, <i>No Shirt, No Zionists, No Service: Using State Civil Rights Law to Confront Antisemitic Exclusion</i> Eli Wald, <i>Jewish Lawyers and the Fight Against Antisemitism</i> Moderator: Steven M. Freeman
3:00-3:15 pm	L	Coffee Break	
3:15-4:30 pm	A	Antisemitism in Human Rights	Yuval Erez, <i>Hostage Deals: The Shift from International Humanitarian Law to a Business Paradigm</i> Ariel Dulitzky, <i>The Invisibility of Antisemitism: Terrorism, Jewish Victims, and the Inter-American Court of Human Rights</i> Anne Herzberg, <i>Antisemitism as an Issue of Human Rights concern within the UN Human Rights Council Special Procedures: The Battle</i>

			<i>over the IHRA Definition <u>via Zoom</u></i> Sari Graben, <i>Using University Resources for Antisemitism</i> Moderator: Leslie Tenzer
	B	Antisemitism and IHRA	Shlomi Balaban, <i>Same Definition, Different Regulation: IHRA as a Case Study in Soft Regulation</i> Chrisoph Fischer, <i>The Need for Legal Certainty – Why Civil Law Systems Struggle with the IHRA Definition</i> David Hirsh, <i>The Genealogy of the IHRA Definition: Where it Comes From and Why it is Significant</i> Deborah Malamud, <i>Of the Fiddle, The Fiddler, and the Roof: The Relationship between Tropes and Theories in the Study of Antisemitism</i> Moderator: Andrea Martin
4:45-6:00	A	Exploring Antizionism: Ideology, Funding, and Legal Issues	Elad Ben-David, <i>The Distinction between Antisemitism & Anti-Zionism in Post-October 7 America: The Case of Prominent American Imams <u>via Zoom</u></i> Ori Freiman & Nizan Geslevich Packin, <i>Crowdfunding and Crypto: The New Antizionist Pipeline</i> Rona Kaufman, <i>On Jew Hatred: Beyond a Legal Definition of Antisemitism</i> Ofer Raban, <i>The First Amendment and the Suspension of an Extremist Anti-Zionist Law Professor</i> Moderator: Andrew Pessin
	B	Campus Antisemitism	Jeff Ballabon, <i>Campus Antisemitism in the Age of DEI and Implicit Bias</i>

			Amira Halperin & Stephen Sussman, <i>Campus Antisemitism in the U.S. and U.K.: Legal Responses and Institutional Challenges Post-October 7</i> Melissa Spirn, <i>Why? Because You're A Jew? A Restorative Approach To Antisemitism In Higher Education</i> Moderator: Michelle Greenberg-Kobrin
6:00-6:15 pm	L	Coffee Break	
6:15-7:15 pm	L	Jewish Legal Studies Workshop 1 & Closing	Breakout Sessions:
7:30 pm		Speaker & VIP Dinner	

Monday, March 9, 2026

MONDAY MARCH 9 Morning Schedule	R o o m	Event-Panel	Speakers & Presentations
8:00-8:30 am	L	Breakfast	
8:30-8:40	A	Welcome	Rona Kaufman
8:45-10:00 am	A	Institutional Antisemitism	Mark Conrad, <i>Antisemitism and Anti-Israeli Bias in International Sport: What can be Done to Combat the World's Oldest Hatred in the Post-October 7th Environment</i> Debbie Kaminer, <i>Off-Duty Antisemitic Speech: What are Employees Permitted to Say?</i> Seth Oranburg, <i>Institutional Antisemitism: Governance Failure as Discrimination Mechanism</i> Andrea J. Martin, <i>Coercion and Collective Action: Compelled Union Support of Antisemitic Causes</i>

			Moderator: Seth Oranburg
	B	Antisemitism & Social Science Research	Lawrence Amsel, <i>Post Traumatic Truth Disorder (PTTD) How the Politicized Appropriation of Trauma Narrative is Being Used to Claim Exceptions to the Constitution's Free Speech Clause</i> Julie Ancis, <i>University Presidential Leadership in Crises: Analyzing Institutional Statements Following the October 7, 2023, Hamas Attacks and Their Implications for Campus Antisemitism</i> Caryn Block & Yael Silverstein, <i>The Multidimensional Nature of Contemporary Antisemitism and Its Psychological Effects</i> Monika Rice, <i>Shifting Jewish Identities At a "Quiet," Small Liberal Arts College After October 7th</i> Moderator: Magda Schaler-Haynes
10:00-10:15 am	L	Coffee Break	
10:15-11:30 am	A	Title VI and Discrimination Against Jewish Students: <i>StandWithUs v. MIT</i>	Zachary D. Fasman, <i>Antisemitism, Anti-Zionism and Title VI: College and University Responsibility for Campus Harassment of Jewish Students</i> Robert Katz, <i>Jews as a Protected Class Under U.S. Anti-Discrimination Law</i> Rona Kaufman, <i>Amicus Briefing in StandWithUs v. MIT</i> Matt Segal, <i>The Anti-Zionism Exception</i> Moderator: Rachel Grinspan
	B	Comparative & International Approaches to Law & Antisemitism	Przemyslaw Ostojki, <i>Act of Antisemitism as a Violation of the European Convention on Human Rights</i>

			Aleksandra Gilszczynska-Grabias, <i>The Limits of Law in Addressing Antisemitism: Definitional Contestations, Regulatory Shortcomings, and the Politics of Militant Memory</i> Meng Yang, <i>When Antisemitism Is Not Illegal: From China's Legal Void to Title VI Challenges through the Chinese Diaspora</i> Charles Asher Small, <i>Fighting the War Against Antisemitism, Democracy, and the Rule of Law</i> Moderator: Nicholas Rostow
11:40-12:00	A	Legal Consequences of the October 7th Sexual Violence	Cochav Elkayam-Levy and Michelle Greenberg-Kobrin, <i>When Documentation is Disputed: Antisemitism, and the Politics of Sexual Violence</i> <u>via Zoom</u>
11:40-12:00	B	Katz, Antisemitism and the Law (2025)	Robert Katz, <i>A Discussion of the Antisemitism and the Law Treatise/Casebook</i>
12:15-1:15	L	Lunch Workshop	
1:30-2:45 pm	A	Antisemitism & Speech	Anat Alon Beck, <i>Politicization of Public Capital</i> Kenneth Grad, <i>Are Hate Speech Laws Good for the Jews? A Canadian Perspective</i> Jon Michaels, <i>Is It Good for the Americans? Why Reclaiming Liberal Democracy Requires Stamping Out Antisemitism</i> Austin Parcels & Jonah Fried, <i>Symbols of Hate: A Legal Basis for Criminalizing the Public Display of Nazi Iconography in Canada</i> Moderator: Seth Oranburg
	B	Antisemitism: From the Holocaust to the Present	Michael Bazyler & Morgan Sielski, <i>Anti-Jewish Unrest on College Campuses: Poland 1935 and U.S. 2025</i> Ariel Liberman, <i>"Teaching Not to Hate:" A Proposal for a Federal Mandate on K-12</i>

			<i>Antisemitism Education</i> Monique Mogyoros, <i>Holocaust Distortion, Memory Laws, and Antisemitism: What Can Poland Teach Us About the Dangers Ahead?</i> Nizan Packin, <i>Memory and Identity in the Era of AI</i> Moderator: Justice David Wecht
2:45-3:00 pm	L	Coffee Break	
3:00-4:15 pm	A	Antisemitism Online	Jorge Conde, <i>Consciousness from Without: How Hamas Recalibrated Global Perceptions to Win the Information War Against Israel (With the Help of China)</i> <u>via Zoom</u> Carole Huberman & Stephen Sussman, <i>Surveillance, Speech, and Safety: A Legal Analysis of Canary Mission and the Fight Against Antisemitism</i> Lavinia Pedol, <i>From Hashtags Online to Hate Crimes: Platform Regulation and the Global Challenge of Antisemitism</i> Stephen Sussman & Carol Huberman, <i>Antisemitic Conspiracy Theories in Times of Crisis: The Resurgence of The Protocols of the Elders of Zion on Social Media</i> Moderator: Yisroel Benporat
3:00-4:15	B	Antisemitism and the Law: The State of the Discipline	Michael Bazyler Lili Levi Kenneth L. Marcus Steven M. Freedman Eli Wald Moderator: Robert Katz
4:15-4:30 pm	L	Coffee Break	
4:30-6:00	L	Jewish Legal Studies	Breakout Sessions

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