



The Inaugural Honorable Arlin M. Adams Lecture in
LAW, RELIGION AND THE FIRST AMENDMENT

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Free Speech and Inclusivity on Campus

Tuesday, November 12, 2019

4:30 PM | Fitts Auditorium | University of Pennsylvania Carey Law School

Reception to follow in the Haaga Lounge

OUR SPEAKER

CHRISTOPHER L. EISGRUBER

President, Princeton University



THE HONORABLE ARLIN M. ADAMS

THE HONORABLE ARLIN M. ADAMS was a leader on the bench, in government and in the community during an iconic career that spanned well over fifty years. His career took him from Schnader, Harrison, Segal & Lewis to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit to positions as a mediator on complex issues involving corruption and bankruptcy.

Judge Adams graduated from Penn Law School in 1947 and never wavered in his affiliation to and support for the institution. He was elected editor-in-chief of the Law Review while a student and later taught at the law school. He also served as president of the Board of Overseers and delivered the Owen J. Roberts Lecture in 1987. Judge Adams is the namesake of the Arlin Adams Professorship in Constitutional Law and now the Hon. Arlin M. Adams Lecture on Law, Religion and the First Amendment.

Born in Philadelphia in 1921, and raised during the Great Depression, Arlin M. Adams earned an undergraduate degree from Temple University and was the recipient of a full tuition scholarship to Penn Law School. In 1942, Adams took a leave of absence from the law school, enlisted in the U.S. Navy, and served in the North Pacific as a logistics officer.

Judge Adams returned to Penn Law after the war, and following graduation became a law clerk to the Chief Justice of the Pennsylvania Supreme Court, Horace Stern. Immediately following his clerkship, Adams was offered a teaching position at Penn Law as well as an associate position at the law firm now known as Schnader, Harrison, Segal & Lewis.

Judge Adams had a long history of public service. In 1968, President Richard Nixon appointed him to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit, where he served for seventeen years. In the 1980s, he was named independent counsel for an investigation into corruption at the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development. He also served as trustee in the bankruptcy of the New Era Foundation, the largest bankruptcy of a nonprofit organization at the time; and was a member of Pennsylvanians for Modern Courts, an organization dedicated to the improvement of Pennsylvania's courts. He was the recipient of numerous awards, including honorary degrees from Penn and Villanova. In 1997, in recognition of his service he received the Philadelphia Award, the city's highest honor. Judge Adams also received the Philadelphia Bar Association's Gold Medal Award in 1999.



CHRISTOPHER L. EISGRUBER

CHRISTOPHER L. EISGRUBER has served as Princeton University's 20th president since July 2013. He is the Laurance S. Rockefeller Professor of Public Affairs in the Woodrow Wilson School and the University Center for Human Values. Before becoming president, he served as Princeton's provost from 2004-2013 and as director of Princeton's Program in Law and Public Affairs from 2001-2004. A renowned constitutional scholar, he is the author of *The Next Justice: Repairing the Supreme Court Appointments Process* (Princeton 2007), *Religious Freedom and the Constitution* (co-authored with Lawrence G. Sager, Harvard 2007), and *Constitutional Self-Government* (Harvard 2001), as well as numerous articles in books and academic journals. In 2014, he was elected to membership in the American Academy of Arts and Sciences.

Eisgruber served on the faculty of the New York University School of Law for eleven years before joining the Princeton faculty in 2001. Prior to his time at NYU, he clerked for Judge Patrick Higginbotham of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit and for Justice John Paul Stevens of the United States Supreme Court. Eisgruber received an A.B. magna cum laude in Physics from Princeton, an M. Litt. in Politics from Oxford University, and a J.D. from the University of Chicago Law School.

About the Adams Lecture



This lectureship was made possible through a generous donation to the Law School from Neysa Adams in memory of her husband, the Honorable Arlin M. Adams L'47 HON'98 (1921-2015). Judge Adams served for over 60 years as a lawyer, judge, and mediator. Twice considered for a seat on the U.S. Supreme Court, he was nominated to the United States Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit in 1969 and served until his retirement from the bench in 1987. Judge Adams was also a member and former chancellor of the Philadelphia Bar Association, a past president of the American Philosophical Society, a trustee of the University of Pennsylvania, chairman of the Law School's Board of Overseers, and the former chair of the U.S. Supreme Court Judicial Fellows Commission.

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