

# TBA Federal Practice Forum 2023

A Virtual CLE Event

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Join the Federal Practice Section for its annual forum on May 18 with sessions tailored to both experienced federal court practitioners and those who are new to federal practice. The theme of this program is: *Protesting in America and Beyond- The Law of Protests, the First and Fourth Amendments, Civil Disobedience, Police Management of Protests, Human Rights, Police Use of Force, and Prosecution Considerations.*

9:00am - 10:00am CT

## **Introduction to the Law of Protests & Media Impacts on the Perception of Protest**

*The tradition of protesting in the United States is older than the country itself. From the Boston Tea Party to the civil rights movement to Black Lives Matter to #MeToo, civil disobedience is woven into the American experience. The First Amendment protects citizens' right to assemble and express their views through protest. However, police and other government officials are allowed to place certain narrow restrictions on the exercise of free speech. This distinguished panel comprised of First Amendment and human rights scholars, a civil rights practitioner, and a journalist will provide a historical timeline of the law of protests, how protesting has changed with the impact of social media and extensive media coverage, and the tensions that arise between the desire to protest and law enforcement's challenges in maintaining order. The goal of the panel discussion is to provide insight as to the issues surrounding protests from the perspective of the media, the citizen protesting, and law enforcement managing the event.*

Melanie Reid, Lincoln Memorial University

Akram Faizer, Lincoln Memorial University

Kathy Park, NBC News

Dr. Elvin Evrim Dalkılıç, University of Bilkent

10:00am – 11:30am CT **Police Use of Force, Human Rights, Prosecution Consideration, 1983 Litigation**

10:00am – 10:30am CT: Dr. Tamara Herold, University of Nevada, Las Vegas  
*Policing protests, how officers are trained to police protests and mass gatherings and effective and human rights compliant methods of crowd management.*

10:30am – 11:00am CT: Mr. David Jennings, former Criminal Division Chief and AUSA in the Eastern District of Tennessee  
*Prosecution considerations concerning the deprivation of rights under color of law.*

11:00am – 11:30am CT: Lance Baker, The Baker Law Firm  
*Litigating 1983 claims, qualified immunity, and police use of force*

11:30am – 12:00pm CT **Break**

12:00pm – 1:00pm CT **Examining the Ethical Component of Lawyering: Professional Responsibility and Ethics**

**DUAL**

*Examining the ethical component of lawyering; a lawyer's professional identity*  
Judge Curtis Lynn Collier, Senior United States District Judge