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THE 2016 AMERICAN ELECTION: IS THIS ANY WAY FOR A DEMOCRACY TO CHOOSE A LEADER?

Featuring:
Dr. Paul Finkelman,
Ariel F. Sallows Visiting
Professor of Human Rights,
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Wednesday, September 21, 2016
 10:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Location (Saskatoon): Prairie Room,
 Diefenbaker Building, University of
 Saskatchewan

Location (Regina): Room 210, 2 Research
 Drive, University of Regina

Registration: Available online

In this lecture, Dr. Finkelman will examine the American primary process; the evolution of the two party system, and how the electoral college works. It will be part current events, part constitutional law, and part political history. Dr. Finkelman will discuss how the American system of choosing a president is broken, dysfunctional, and in the end anti-democratic. He will explain how the “electoral college” which actually elects the president, is a vestige of slavery that currently suppresses voter turnout and can lead to undemocratic outcomes, such as the person with the most votes not being elected president. To close, he will draw some parallels to the way Canada chooses its prime ministers.



Paul Finkelman is a scholar of US history and Constitutional Law, and the author of more than 200 scholarly articles and more than 40 books. The United States Supreme Court has cited his scholarship in four cases. He has written on civil rights, voting rights, religious liberty, the history of slavery, and baseball and law. He was the expert witness in the law suit over placing a Ten Commandments monument in the

Alabama state supreme court building and also an expert in the lawsuit over the ownership of Barry Bonds’ 73rd home run ball.



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