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2008 ROBERT S. MARX LECTURE

Martha C. Nussbaum
Ernst Freund Distinguished Service Professor of Law and Ethics
Department of Law and Ethics, Law School, and Divinity School
University of Chicago

Wednesday, March 5, 2008
2:00 pm
UC College of Law, Room 114
CLE Ethics Credit

Equal Respect for Conscience:
Roger Williams on the Moral Basis of Civil Peace
The College of Law is honored to present Martha C. Nussbaum, Ernst Freund Distinguished Service Professor of Law and Ethics at the University of Chicago, as the 2008 Robert S. Marx Lecturer. In her lecture, “Equal Respect for Conscience: Roger Williams on the Moral Basis of Civil Peace,” Professor Nussbaum will investigate the contribution made by Roger Williams to forging the modern idea of liberty of conscience.

Professor Nussbaum suggests in her lecture that Roger Williams, founder of the colony of Rhode Island, was one of the great American apostles of religious liberty and fairness. His doctrines of free conscience and civil peace were highly influential in their time and became the foundation of America’s distinctive approach to religious liberty and equality. Professor Nussbaum proposes that Williams’s teachings ultimately proved valuable in forging our constitutional heritage. In her words, “We should not focus only on the eighteenth-century arguments of the framers . . . . . . . . . . . Williams’s version of doctrines that later became part of the Enlightenment is distinctive in a number of ways, ways that continued to exert a deep influence on American thought and life, and that are valuable for us today.”

Professor Nussbaum earned her B.A. from New York University and her M.A. and Ph.D from Harvard University. She has previously taught at Harvard, Brown, and Oxford Universities. In 1999, she became the Ernst Freund Distinguished Service Professor of Law and Ethics at the University of Chicago, appointed in the Philosophy Department, the Law School and the Divinity School. Professor Nussbaum is also the founder and coordinator of the Center for Comparative Constitutionalism at the University of Chicago.


Professor Nussbaum has received numerous honors and awards throughout her career, including honorary degrees from thirty-two universities and colleges worldwide.

The Marx Lecture
The Robert S. Marx Lecture was established in 1954 by Judge Marx to enrich the curriculum of the College of Law by bringing to the law school the scholarship and learning of eminent persons in various fields of law. Judge Marx was a graduate of the College of Law and an outstanding member of the Cincinnati Bar for 51 years. The Lecture was endowed in 1989 through the generosity of the Robert S. Marx Testamentary Trustees.

CLE Credit
This lecture has been approved for one hour ethics CLE in Ohio. Questions pertaining to CLE credit should be addressed to the CLE administrator in the Dean’s office of the College of Law at 513-556-0063.

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