



## **Association of Marshall Scholars & American College of Trial Lawyers co-host Forum on the Rule of Law**

*A delegation from the UK's Supreme and High Courts met American Justices,  
judges, and lawyers at the Supreme Court of the United States*

WASHINGTON, D.C. – The Association of Marshall Scholars (AMS) and the American College of Trial Lawyers (ACTL) hosted top American and British Justices, judges, lawyers, and experts for a three-day Forum on the Rule of Law, May 3 - 5, 2022, at the Supreme Court of the United States.

The delegations held a series of conversations on critical legal issues in a post-pandemic world, including the rule of law and national security, separation of powers, free speech and the Internet, human rights and civil liberties, climate and the courts, and other topics.

“The College was honored to join the Association of Marshall Scholars for this preeminent event featuring delegates from the U.S. Supreme Court, the UK Supreme Court and other top jurists and a barrister from the UK, as well as a group of U.S. judges, Fellows, and Marshall Scholars,” states **Michael O’Donnell**, ACTL President. “The Rule of Law and the role of the Judiciary is central to the College’s mission. As our world faces challenges both old and new, continued legal discourse between our nations is vital to improving access to justice.”

“The United States and the United Kingdom share a foundational commitment to the rule of law,” states **Scott Grinsell** (Marshall Scholar 2004), Association of Marshall Scholars Board President. “Programs like the Forum support the transatlantic dialogue that is central to the mission of the AMS and reaffirm our common values. The Association of Marshall Scholars was pleased to join the American College of Trial Lawyers in supporting the Forum at this crucial moment in our history.”

### **UK participation included:**

UK Supreme Court: The Rt Hon Lord Hodge, The Rt Hon Lord Briggs of Westbourne, The Rt Hon Lady Arden of Heswall DBE, The Rt Hon The Lord Mance PC



High Courts of England and Wales: The Rt Hon Sir Geoffrey Vos, The Hon Dame Karen Steyn DBE, The Hon Dame Justine Thornton DBE

Northern Ireland: The Rt Hon Dame Siobhan Keegan DBE, Lady Chief Justice

Barristers: Helen Davies QC

**US participation included:**

US Supreme Court: Chief Justice Hon. John G. Roberts, Jr., Hon. Stephen Breyer (Marshall Scholar 1959), Hon. Sonia Sotomayor, Hon. Elena Kagan, Hon. Neil Gorsuch (Marshall Scholar 1992), Hon. Brett Kavanaugh

US District Court for the Southern District of New York: Hon. Jesse Furman

US District Court for the Northern District of Texas: Chief Judge, Hon. Barbara M. G. Lynn

US Court of Appeals for the First Circuit: Hon. William J. Kayatta, Jr.

US Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit: Hon. Diane Wood

Marshall Scholars: Prof. Cinnamon Carlarne (Marshall Scholar 2001), Prof. Sheryll Cashin (Marshall Scholar 1984), Prof. Samuel J. Rascoff (Marshall Scholar 1996), Prof. Jeffrey Rosen (Marshall Scholar 1986), Andrew H. Schapiro (Marshall Scholar 1985), Kannon Shanmugam (Marshall Scholar 1993)

American College of Trial Lawyers Fellows: John A. Day, Richard H. Deane, Jr., Andrea La'Verne Edney, Adam K. Peck, Ashok Ramani, Douglas R. Young

Additional delegates: Prof. Jonathan Zittrain

**ABOUT THE ASSOCIATION OF MARSHALL SCHOLARS**

*The Association of Marshall Scholars works to strengthen US-UK ties, the Marshall community and the Marshall Scholarship. Historically, the transatlantic alliance has served as a lynchpin for liberal democracy, prosperity, and global peace. A valuable thread of this relationship has been the Marshall Scholarship, an educational program strengthening international exchange and advancement of knowledge in nearly every field of human endeavor. [www.marshallscholars.org](http://www.marshallscholars.org)*



## **ABOUT THE AMERICAN COLLEGE OF TRIAL LAWYERS**

*The American College of Trial Lawyers is composed of preeminent members of the Trial Bar from the United States and Canada. It is recognized as the leading trial lawyers organization in both countries. Fellowship is extended by invitation only to those experienced trial lawyers who have mastered the art of advocacy and whose professional careers have been marked by the highest standards of ethical conduct, professionalism, civility and collegiality. The College is dedicated to maintaining and seeking to improve the standards of trial practice, professionalism, ethics, and the administration of justice. The College strongly supports the independence of the judiciary and respect for the courts in the United States and Canada; that independence is fundamental to our democratic societies. For more information about the College, visit its website at [www.actl.com](http://www.actl.com).*

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