

Emory University  
Center for Law and Social Science

***Research Conference on Federal Magistrate Judges***  
*Friday, April 16, 2021*

Co-Sponsored by the Georgia State University Legal Analytics Lab

Panelists

Charlotte Alexander, Georgia State University  
Christina Boyd, University of Georgia  
Tracey George, Vanderbilt University  
Jonathan Nash, Emory University  
Albert Yoon, University of Toronto

Agenda (all times Eastern time zone)

WELCOME  
1:20-1:30

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PANEL IA: PRESENTATIONS  
1:30-2:30

Jonathan Nash, *Evaluating District Judges' Incentives to Appoint Magistrate Judges Based on Merit Instead of Ideology*

Charlotte Alexander, *Magistrate Judges and Summary Judgment in the Northern District of Georgia* (co-authored with Anne Tucker)

*Break*  
2:30-2:45

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PANEL IB: PRESENTATIONS  
2:45-3:45

Tracey George, *Project Overview and Magistrate Judge Demographics*

Albert Yoon, *National and Local Patterns of Reliance on Magistrate Judges*

Christina Boyd, *Magistrate Judge Usage in Social Security Administration Disability Cases*

*Break*  
3:45-4:00

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PANEL II: THE ROLE OF DOCKET SHEETS AND FILED DOCUMENTS

4:00-4:30

Discussion including presentation by Adam Pah and David Schwartz of Northwestern University's *Systematic Content Analysis of Litigation Events*

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*Break*

4:30-4:45

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PANEL III: ROUNDTABLE DISCUSSION

4:45-5:15

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CLOSING REMARKS

5:15-5:25

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