

Establishing Equity in Our Food System

March 11-12, 2016

UC Irvine School of Law, EDU 1111

Friday, March 11

7:30 am

Registration and breakfast

8:30 am

Welcome

Stephen Lee (UC Irvine School of Law)

8:45 – 10:15 am

Panel 1

The Role of Government in Food Markets

- (1) Amy Cohen (Ohio State Moritz School of Law/Harvard Law School) – “Everything is Not about Convenience”: On Supermarkets, Equity and Consumption in Middle-Class West Bengal
- (2) Daniel Ho (Stanford Law School)– Dimensions of Bureaucratic Equity
- (3) Alex Wang (UCLA School of Law) – The Promise and Peril of Environmental Information Disclosure in China
- (4) Benjamin Van Rooij (UC Irvine School of Law) – moderator

10:15 – 10:30 am

Break

10:30 – 10:45 am

Erwin Chemerinsky

Dean’s Welcome

10:45 – 12:15 pm

Panel 2

Ethical Food Production

- (1) Rebecca Bratspies (CUNY School of Law) – GMOs, Power, and Equity
- (2) Julie Guthman (UC Santa Cruz) – Fumigants, Farmworkers, and Regulatory Politics in California’s Strawberry Industry
- (3) Alyssa Titcher (UCLA School of Law) – Land Grabs & Food Security: The International Community Should Adopt a Code of Conduct to Protect Local Communities and Improve Global Food Security
- (4) Gregory Shaffer (UCI School of Law) – moderator

12:30 – 2:00 pm

First featured speaker

Sameer Ashar (UC Irvine School of Law) (Introduction)

Saru Jayaraman (Director, Food Labor Research Center at UC Berkeley) (Featured speaker)

Restaurant workers

2:00 – 2:15 pm

Break

2:15 – 3:45 pm

Panel 3

Food Insecurity

- (1) Taylor Brown (The Williams Institute, UCLA) and Adam Romero (UCLA School of Law) – Food Insecurity and SNAP Participation in the LGBT Community
- (2) Eve Garrow (ACLU Southern California) – Hungry and Homeless: Looking for Food in the Public and Private Sectors
- (3) Marc-Tizoc Gonzalez (St. Thomas University School of Law) – Criminalizing Charity: Can the First Amendment Protect People that Publicly Share Food with Those who are Hungry?
- (4) Angela Harris (UC Davis School of Law) – moderator

3:45 – 4:00 pm

Break

4:00 – 5:30 pm

Panel 4

Justice for Food Workers

This panel examines the exploitation that food workers face in all sectors of the food industry. Some of the themes this panel could touch upon include agricultural exceptionalism, the industry's dependence on immigrant (especially unauthorized immigrant) labor, and consumer-labor alliances.

- (1) Charlotte Alexander (Georgia State University College of Law) – Transmitting the Costs of Unsafe Work
- (2) Laurel Fletcher (UC Berkeley School of Law) – The Contribution of Human Rights to Food Labor Justice
- (3) Stephen Lee (UCI School of Law) – The Food We Eat and the People Who Feed Us
- (4) Catherine Fisk (UCI School of Law) – moderator

5:45 pm – Shuttle to dinner

6:00 pm – Symposium Dinner (speakers, moderators, and registrants)

Saturday, March 12

8:30 am

Registration and breakfast

9:00 – 10:30 am

Panel 5

Food Consumption in the Shadow of the Law

- (1) Ernesto Hernandez-Lopez (Chapman Fowler School of Law) – California Eaters and the Constitution: Predictions after Downer Slaughter, Foie Gras, Shark Fins, and Eggs
- (2) Beth Kregor (University of Chicago Law School) – How Do You Formalize a Tamale?: How to Formalize Street Vendors Affordably
- (3) Sarah Schindler (University of Maine School of Law) – Secret Supper Clubs and Immigrant Kitchens: Regulating the Sharing Economy versus Regulating the Shadow Economy

(4) Emilie Aguirre (UCLA School of Law) – moderator

10:30 – 10:45 am

Break

10:45 – 12:15 pm

Panel 6

Social movements and reform

(1) Joann Lo (Food Chain Workers Alliance) – Social Justice for Food Workers in a Foodie World

(2) Beth Lyon (Cornell University Law School) – Bridging the Gap between Farmworker Youth and Special Immigrant Juvenile Status

(3) Rocio Rosales (UCI Sociology) – Organizing Informal Immigrant Workers: A Review and Assessment of the Street Vendor Movements in Los Angeles

(4) Sameer Ashar (UC Irvine School of Law) – moderator

12:15 – 12:30 pm

Break

12:30 – 2:00 pm

Panel 7 (Lunch discussion)

Food Justice through Community Engagement in Orange County

(1) Ismael Fuerte (Godinez Fundamental High School)

(2) Manny Preciado (UC Irvine)

(3) Jessy Reyes (Seegerstrom High School)

(4) Abel Ruiz (Youth Employment Network)

(5) Fernando Maldonado (Global Sustainability Resource Center) – moderator

2:00 – 2:15 pm

Break

2:15 pm

Closing Speaker

Stephen Lee – introductory remarks

Jose Padilla (Executive Director, San Francisco Administrative Office, California Rural Legal Assistance)

3:15 – 3:30 pm

Concluding remarks and acknowledgements

Stephen Lee

3:30 – 5:00 pm

Happy hour (courtyard)

5:00 – 6:30 pm

Working Dinner for UC food law faculty, staff, and students