



Fall 2023 Curriculum Advisory Committee Meeting

Thursday, November 2nd

6:00 pm **Cocktail hour and Dinner at the Cosmos Club**
Cosmos Club 2121 Massachusetts Ave NW, Washington, DC 20008

Friday, November 3rd

9:00 a.m. **Conversation with Lonnie Bunch III, 14th Secretary of the Smithsonian Institution**
Smithsonian Castle Addressing the Institution's approach to climate science, law, and environmental justice in the context of climate change.

10:00 a.m. **Introduction**
Cosmos Club Welcome, meeting goals, and agenda setting

Landscape Assessment: the Condition of the Climate, State of Climate litigation in the courts, and the role of Science in it

- Comments on AR6 IPCC science and impacts reports – Professor Oppenheimer
- Legal and Governance Challenges in a Warming World – Professor Adler
- Climate Science in Court Cases to date – Dr. Doherty
- Challenges Facing the Courts –

Discussion

Likely legal and policy responses to the climate problem: Legislation, policies, economics, and court cases.

Lunch

Overview of the Climate Judiciary Project

Seminars and courses, network building, written curriculum and its use, evaluation of impact.

Led by Sandy Thiam and Paul Hanle

Presentation of Curriculum

- a. Process, authors, topics
- b. Walk through one module (from advance reading)
- c. Plans for distribution, including book

Led by staff attorney Jarryd Page



Committee Response and Discussion

Discussion of what is missing, strategy for keeping curriculum fresh, how we address issues that have arisen, e.g.:

- Scope – Future research topics and additional modules.
- Range – How to expand its appeal to widest range of judicial philosophies.
- Dissemination – How to put material in the hands and heads of judges who need it.
- Prudence – How to maintain neutrality, avoid pushback, and deal with pushback from partisan critics when it comes.

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3:30 p.m.

Meeting Concludes