

CENTER FOR THE STUDY OF RACE AND RACE RELATIONS (CSRRR)

Spring Lecture 2005



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Welcome: Kenneth Nunn, Professor of Law
Levin College of Law,
University of Florida

Robert Jerry,
Dean, Levin College of Law,
University of Florida

Introduction: Stephanie Evans, Assistant
Professor, African American
Studies and Center for Women's
Studies and Gender Research

Lecture: ***"Affirmative Action for the Master
Class: Understanding the
Proslavery Constitution and Its
Implications for 21st Century
America"***

Professor Paul Finkelman

Paul Finkelman is the Chapman Distinguished Professor at the University of Tulsa College of Law. Before coming to Tulsa he held the John F. Seiberling Chair in Constitutional Law at the University of Akron and taught at a number of other law schools and in history departments. He received his B.A. in American Studies from Syracuse University (1971) and his M.A. and Ph.D. in U.S. history from Chicago (1972, 1976) and was a fellow in law and humanities at Harvard Law School (1982-83). He is the author, co-author, or editor of more than twenty books and has written more than eighty scholarly articles and book chapters that have appeared in history journals, law reviews, and books. His recent article in Fordham Law Review Article on Ten Commandments cases was cited in the briefs before the Supreme Court in two cases in the March 2005. He has held fellowships from the National Endowment for the Humanities, the American Philosophical Society, the American Bar Foundation, and the Japan Society of the Promotion of Science. He was an expert witness in the famous Alabama Ten Commandments Monument Case and was also an expert witness in the lawsuit over the ownership of Barry Bonds' 73rd Home Run Ball. He has also appeared in a number television programs for PBS and the History Channel.

Selected Publications

"Civil Rights in Historical Context: In Defense of *Brown*,"
118 HARVARD. LAW. REVIEW 973-1027 (2005).

DEFENDING SLAVERY: PROSLAVERY THOUGHT
IN THE OLD SOUTH. Bedford/St.
Martin's, 2003.

"The Proslavery Origins of the Electoral College," 23
CARDOZO LAW REVIEW 1145-1157 (2002).

SLAVERY AND THE FOUNDERS: RACE AND
LIBERTY IN THE AGE OF JEFFERSON. 2nd
ed., M.E. Sharpe, 2001

"The Founders and Slavery: Little Ventured, Little
Gained," 13 YALE JOURNAL OF LAW &
HUMANITIES 413-449 (2001).

CSRRR Mission and Vision

The mission of the CSRRR is to create and foster communities of dialogue on race and race relations and to promote historically and empirically based thinking, talking, research, writing, and teaching on race.

The CSRRR accomplishes its mission through a diverse and exciting portfolio of ongoing activities that foster non-stigmatizing ways of discussing issues of race and race relations.

Conferences and lectures produce, support, and highlight race-related scholarship. Workshops and seminars gather, analyze, and disseminate information on race and race relations, thereby shaping our overall knowledge of these issues. The Center will also serve as an interdisciplinary research clearinghouse for race-related data and information.

The CSRRR seeks to build alliances between local and state educational communities to develop and enhance race-related curricula for K-12, collegiate, and professional schools.

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2004-2005 CSRRR Highlights

- Spring Lecture 2004
Paul Butler, Professor of Law, George Washington University Law School
April 2004
- Faculty Reading Initiative
(Co-Sponsored with the UF Office of the President)
September 2004
- Race and Law Curriculum Workshop
February 2005.

This an exciting time for the CSRRR.

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Monday, April 11, 2004

1:00 pm

Reception immediately following

University of Florida
Emerson Alumni Hall
Teaching Classroom
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