

AALS Section on Real Estate Transactions Call for Papers – 2016 AALS Annual Meeting

The AALS Section on Real Estate Transactions is pleased to announce a Call for Papers for its program on Regulation of Mortgage Lending to be held on Friday, January 8, 2016, from 8:30 a.m. to 10:15 a.m. at the 2016 AALS Annual Meeting in New York City.

Program Description

In reaction to the financial crisis and after a period characterized by very little federal regulation of mortgage lending, Congress enacted the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act in 2010. Dodd-Frank changed the landscape of mortgage lending regulation. It created the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau, imposed requirements that lenders confirm a borrower's ability to repay, limited federal preemption of state consumer financial protection laws, prohibited steering of borrowers to high interest rate loans, and imposed other new limits and requirements on mortgage lending. This program will consider issues such as the scope and application of the current regulatory framework, its impact on the availability of credit, whether it is the appropriate level of regulation, whether it is correctly focused, and whether the right parties are protected. Confirmed speakers are Professor Kathleen Engel of Suffolk University Law School, Professor Patricia McCoy of Boston College Law School, and Professor Steven Schwarcz of Duke University Law School. One or two additional speakers will be selected from this Call for Papers.

Publication

SMU Law Review has agreed to publish the papers selected for the program in its Summer 2016 issue. Papers must not have been published or accepted for publication elsewhere. The final deadline for submission of a completed manuscript will be May 1, 2016.

Submission and Deadline

Law faculty are invited to submit abstracts that address any aspect of the foregoing topic. Proposals must be submitted electronically to Prof. Julie Forrester at jforrest@smu.edu by **Monday, July 27, 2015**. The section's executive committee will review and select papers for the program, and authors of the selected papers will be notified by Friday, August 28, 2015.

Program participants are responsible for paying their annual meeting registration fee and for travel expenses.

Please forward this Call for Papers to law faculty who might be interested.