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SPEAKER BIOS

Sara Bronin is a Professor of Law at the UConn Law School and the Faculty Director of its Center for Energy & Environmental Law. She is a licensed architect and attorney whose research examines property, land use, historic preservation, green building, and renewable energy law. Overarching all of her work is a focus on the way the law can facilitate economically and environmentally sustainable American cities. Professor Bronin has become one of the foremost scholars in two rapidly evolving areas of law: historic preservation and renewable energy (including microgrids). Most recently, Professor Bronin co-authored *Historic Preservation Law in a Nutshell* with Professor Ryan Rowberry, as well as a *Historic Preservation Law* textbook with Professor J. Peter Byrne. She's currently working on a book project involving regenerative cities and community energy.

Outside the classroom, Professor Bronin has served as an expert witness and as a consultant to cities, state agencies, and private firms interested in creating or facilitating places of value. She serves on various boards and commissions related to law and the built environment. Professor Bronin recently received a statewide AIA Award (the Alice Washburn Prize), the Connecticut Trust for Historic Preservation Award of Merit, and a Hartford Preservation Alliance Preservation Award for her design and rehabilitation of her historic home in downtown Hartford.

Before entering academia, Professor Bronin attended Oxford University (as a Rhodes Scholar) and Yale Law School.

Paul Edmondson

Dwight H. Merriam founded Robinson & Cole's Land Use Group in 1978. He represents land owners, developers, governments and individuals in land use matters. Dwight is a Fellow and Past President and of the American Institute of Certified Planners, a former Director of the American Planning Association, a former chair of APA's Planning and Law Division, and a former chair of the American Bar Association's national Section of State and Local Government Law. He teaches land use law at the University of Connecticut School of Law and at the Vermont Law School and has published over 200 articles and nine books and including *Inclusionary Zoning Moves Downtown*, *The Takings Issue*, *The Complete Guide to Zoning*, and *Eminent Domain Use and Abuse: Kelo in Context*.

Daniel R. Mandelker is a leading scholar and teacher in land use law, environmental law, and state and local government law. He was the principal consultant and contributor to the American Planning Association's model planning and zoning legislation project. He was also the principal consultant to a joint American Bar Association committee that prepared a model law for land use procedures that was adopted by the ABA House of Delegates. He recently published a book on designed planned communities and a handbook on free speech law for on premise signs.

Additionally, he received the ABA's State and Local Government Section Daniel J. Curtin Lifetime Achievement Award.