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**Presents: Professor Michele Bratcher Goodwin**

***Conscience Clauses and the Separation of Church & State***

**Saturday, February 18<sup>th</sup> at 1:45 pm**

Community Room, Irvine Ranch Water District<sup>1</sup>  
15500 Sand Canyon Ave. (at Waterworks), Irvine, CA 92618

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**Michele Bratcher Goodwin** is the Chancellor's Professor of Law at the UCI School of Law.

Professor Goodwin will speak on conscience clauses; a clause that makes concessions to the consciences of those affected by a law. For example Congress passed a "conscience clause" bill, which permitted any individual opposed to abortion to refuse to perform the procedure. Similarly conscience clauses permit health care providers to ignore end of life requests.

Professor Michele Goodwin is a Chancellor's Professor of Law at the University of California, Irvine with appointments at the School of Law, Program in Public Health, Department of Criminology, Law, & Society, Department of Gender and Sexuality Studies, and Center for Psychology and Law. She is the founder and director of the Center for Biotechnology and Global Health Policy at UC Irvine School of Law and its internationally acclaimed Reproductive Justice Initiative.

Professor Goodwin is one of the world's leading authorities on the regulation of medicine, science, and biotechnology. Her publications include five books and over 70 articles and book chapters on law's regulation of the human body, including civil and criminal regulation of pregnancy and reproduction.

Professor Goodwin's scholarship defines new ways of thinking about supply, demand, and access to sophisticated medical technologies. Reviews of her work appear in the *New England Journal of Medicine*, *Nature*, *Publisher's Weekly*, *Law and Politics Book Review*, *Book News*, and the *Library Journal*, amongst other periodicals. Her editorials and commentaries appear in the Los Angeles Times, New York Times, Gene Watch, Christian Science Monitor, Politico, Cleveland Plain Dealer, Houston Chronicle, Chicago Sun Times, Washington Post, AlterNet and Forbes Magazine among others. She is a blogger for the Huffington Post and the Harvard Bill of Health.



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