

Election 2012: Will Your Vote Count?

Date: April 5, 2012

Topic: Campaign Finance and District Reapportionment

In a democracy, every vote is supposed to count the same—one person, one vote. Yet, it is proving difficult to redraw legislative districts to meet this objective without controversy. With only a few months to go to the 2012 election, more than half the states still do not have acceptable legislative district maps. Additionally, corporations seem to wield great political influence due to their campaign contributions. This program will address who is in control of campaign bullhorns after the United States Supreme Court decision, *Citizens United v. Federal Election Commission*, and the dilemma we face with district reapportionment.

Speakers: **Johnny Burris, J.D., LL.M.**, is a professor of law at the Shepard Broad Law Center, Nova Southeastern University. He teaches constitutional law, administrative law, and criminal procedure. He has published on topics varying from online course management software to voting law, co-authoring *Bush v. Gore: the Fight for Florida's Vote*.

Charles Louis Zelden, Ph.D., is a professor of history in the Division of Humanities, Farquhar College of Arts and Sciences, Nova Southeastern University. He currently serves on the Board of Directors of the American Society for Legal History and has published extensively in the area. His future research and writing will include *The Supreme Court and the Reapportionment Dilemma*.

Time: 4:30–6:00 p.m.

Location: Faculty Shark Club (Rosenthal Building)

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