Call for Papers

AALS Section on Transactional Law and Skills

The New Public Interest in Private Markets: Transactional Innovation for Promoting Inclusion

January 5-9, 2021, AALS Annual Meeting

The AALS Section on Transactional Law and Skills is pleased to announce a program titled The New Public Interest in Private Markets: Transactional Innovation for Promoting Inclusion during the 2021 AALS Annual Meeting in San Francisco, California. This session will explore how recent developments in corporate and transactional practice address issues of bias in corporate governance and the workplace, with examples ranging from Weinstein representations & warranties in M&A agreements to California's Women on Boards statute to inclusion riders in the entertainment industry. These developments raise immediate questions of whether public policy goals of achieving greater inclusivity are being met, and they also shed light on perennial debates about the role public law and private ordering play in spurring social innovation.

In addition to paper presentations, the program will feature a panel focusing on how to incorporate concepts, issues, and discussions of equity and inclusivity across the transactional curriculum, including in clinics and other experiential courses, as well as in doctrinal courses.

FORMAT: Scholars whose papers are selected will provide a presentation of their paper, followed by commentary and audience Q&A.

SUBMISSION PROCEDURE: Scholars who are interested in participating in the program should send a draft or summary of at least three pages to Professor Matt Jennejohn at jennejohnm@law.byu.edu on or before **Friday**, **August 21**, **2020**. The subject line of the email should read: "Submission—AALS Transactional Law and Skills Section Program."

Scholars whose papers are selected for the program will need to submit a draft by December 16, 2020.

Pursuant to AALS rules, faculty at fee-paid non-member law schools, foreign faculty, adjunct and visiting faculty (without a full-time position at an AALS member law school), graduate students, fellows, and non-law school faculty are not eligible to submit. Please note that all presenters at the program are responsible for paying their own annual meeting registration fees and travel expenses.